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HUD Proposes Adoption of Industry Standard Loan Application Form for its Title I Loan Programs

Today, the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) posted a draft Title I Letter (TIL), Adoption of the Uniform Residential Loan Application (URLA) for Title I Loan Programs, on FHA's Office of Single Family Housing Drafting Table (Drafting Table) for public review and feedback.

Currently, <u>Title I loans</u> require program-specific loan application forms for each of the two Title I programs: forms <u>HUD-56001</u> for Title I Property Improvement and <u>HUD-56001-MH</u> for Title I Manufactured Home loans. This draft TIL proposes to replace these two Title I-specific forms with the industry-standard loan application form, *Uniform Residential Loan Application* (URLA) (<u>Fannie Mae Form 1003/Freddie Mac Form 65</u>), and the new *HUD Addendum to the Uniform Residential Loan Application for Title I Loans* (form <u>HUD-92900-TI</u>).

By replacing the Title I-specific forms with the more commonly used industry standard URLA, HUD seeks to simplify its Title I loan application process, enabling lenders to use existing origination system technology to collect borrower data, which eliminates the financial burden of acquiring multiple software licenses or manually completing a Title I program-specific application form. FHA believes these changes will encourage greater lender participation in the Title I program.

Interested stakeholders are encouraged to thoroughly review the draft TIL and provide feedback by December 18, 2024. Instructions for providing feedback are posted on the <u>Drafting Table</u>. FHA will carefully consider all feedback received before publishing a final TIL.

As a reminder, this draft is not official departmental policy and cannot be used in connection with any FHA-insured mortgage until finalized. FHA's existing policies remain in effect until amended.

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