



## NEWS AND UPDATES

**TO: All FHA-Approved Appraisers and Mortgagees**

### *What's New*

### **Single Family Handbook: Draft Appraiser Requirements Posted Today for Feedback** *Drafts cover appraiser eligibility and oversight, conducting appraisals, and more...*

Four draft appraiser-specific policy documents that will be part of the Federal Housing Administration's (FHA) *Single Family Housing Policy Handbook* (SF Handbook) were posted today for stakeholder review and feedback. This posting is a continuation of FHA's progress toward a consolidated, authoritative SF Handbook that will make it easier for stakeholders to do business with us.

The four drafts posted today will work in concert with the appraisal requirements in the SF Handbook *Application through Endorsement* section and contain:

1. FHA Appraiser Roster eligibility requirements in the draft *Doing Business with FHA-Other Participants in FHA Transactions-Appraisers* document;
2. Appraiser oversight and compliance policies in the draft *Quality Control, Oversight & Compliance-Monitoring of Other Participants Appraisers* document;
3. Appraiser requirements for performing an FHA appraisal, including property eligibility requirements, in the draft *Appraiser and Property Requirements for Title II Forward and Reverse Mortgages* document; and
4. Forms and data delivery requirements in the draft *Appraisal Report and Data Delivery Requirements* guide.

Feedback from stakeholders on the drafts will be accepted **from today through September 2, 2014**. Visit FHA's Drafting Table SF Draft Handbook Appraiser Requirements Web page from [http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/SFH\\_policy\\_drafts](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/SFH_policy_drafts) for detailed descriptions and to access each draft document. FHA specifically encourages FHA Roster appraisers, and mortgagee staffs that underwrite appraisals, to review and submit feedback.

### ***Industry Briefing Conference Calls***

FHA will host industry briefing conference calls for appraisers and mortgagees to review the organization and structure of the draft appraiser documents. While content is specific to appraisers and mortgagees, all stakeholders are welcome to attend one of the following sessions:

**Session 1: August 7, 2014**

Time: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m., ET

Title: FHA SF Handbook Appraiser Sections

Dial-in: 800-707-9573

Access Code: 332837

**Session 2: August 12, 2014**

Time: 2 p.m. - 3 p.m., ET

Title: FHA SF Handbook Appraiser Sections

Dial-in: 866-254-5934

Access Code: 332841

If your organization will have multiple attendees on a call, please consider hosting a group conference call as the number of phone lines may be limited. Additionally, in order to maximize the time of all participants, FHA requests that you prepare in advance by reviewing the posted draft documents.

***Quick Links and Resources***

- Visit FHA’s Drafting Table “SF Draft Handbook Appraiser Requirements” Web page accessible from FHA’s Drafting Table main page at [http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/SFH\\_policy\\_drafts](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/SFH_policy_drafts).
- Call the FHA Resource Center at 1-800-CALLFHA (1-800-225-5342). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may reach this number by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.
- Visit our online resource information at [www.hud.gov/answers](http://www.hud.gov/answers).

***About the FHA Single Family Housing Policy Handbook Effort***

FHA’s *Single Family Housing Policy Handbook* effort is a multi-phased initiative to develop and publish a single, authoritative source for FHA Single Family housing policy using clear and direct language and an improved organizational structure. In fall 2013, FHA posted its first draft section, *Application through Endorsement for Title II Forward Mortgages*. FHA is in the process of finalizing this section for publication later in 2014, with a future effective date for mortgagees in 2015.

**RESOURCE INFORMATION**

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Visit the [FHA INFO Archives](#) to access FHA INFO messages issued from 2012 to the present.

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