

HUD Disaster Recovery Update

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1. Damage Assessments

Damage assessments have been completed for Florida, Georgia, and California, which are now in the recovery phase. Assessments have recently begun for Puerto Rico and will begin on December 10th for the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The damage assessment results are as follows:

- Georgia (Hurricane Irma)
77% reporting no damage; 11% minor; 3% modest; and 8% no assessment
- Florida (Hurricane Irma)
30% no damage; 55% minor; 10% modest; 1% severe; and 1% no assessment
- California (Wildfires)
4% reporting minor, non-fire damage from smoke
- Puerto Rico (Hurricane Maria)
1% reporting no damage; 45% minor; 45% modest; and 5% severe
- U.S. Virgin Islands (Hurricane Maria)
5% reporting no damage; 29% minor; 23% modest; and 41% severe

Please be advised that as HUD damage assessment teams begin work in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, they may not always be successful in getting in contact with owners and property staff ahead of their assessment visits.

2. HAP Contracts

HAP contracts will continue to be paid for disaster-affected areas through November 2017, December 2017, and January 2018. Please let us or your Account Executive know if an affected property experiences difficulties with electronic voucher submissions. HUD HQ can work to address the problem.

3. Annual Recertifications, MORs, Inspections

In disaster-affected areas, a 15-month period for annual recertification is allowed, and HUD will review further extension requests on a case-by-case basis. REAC inspections and MORs remain on hold for disaster-affected areas through December 25th, 2017, and HUD will review further extension requests on a case-by-case basis. Annual financial statement submissions have been postponed until December 30th, 2017, and extensions will also be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.