TO: All Interested Parties

PURPOSE AND PROPOSED ACTION: This is to give notice that the San Francisco Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development (MOHCD) as the Responsible Entity for projects subject to regulation by 24 CFR Part 58 (Environmental Review Procedures For Entities Assuming United States Department of Housing and Urban Development [HUD] Environmental Responsibilities) has determined that the Mission Bay South Block 6 West project is partially located in the 100-year floodplain. MOHCD will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the floodplain and the potential impacts on the floodplain from the Proposed Action, as required by Executive Order 11988 and HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management.

The Proposed Action is the approval of the release of 35 Section Eight Project Based Vouchers at the proposed site by HUD. The proposal is for the development of 140 units of affordable housing, as well as residential amenities and parking at Mission Bay South Block 6 West within the Mission Bay neighborhood of San Francisco (Block 8711, Lot 020). The project site at 1.1 acres (47,917 square feet), overlays the 100-year floodplain at less than an eighth of an acre in its northeastern-most corner along China Basin Street.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information about floodplains can facilitate and enhance federal efforts to reduce the risks associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

COMMENTS: Written comments must be received by the MOHCD at the following address on or before 5:00 pm December 29, 2017.

MOHCD
ATTN: Eugene T. Flannery,
One South Van Ness Avenue, 5th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103

A full description of the project may also be reviewed from the same location as above and http://sfmohcd.org/environmental-reviews. Comments may also be submitted via email at Eugene.flannery@sfgov.org.

Copies of this Early Notice have been mailed to interested parties.

DATE: December 12, 2017