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**FEDERAL PROGRAMS
CDBG and HOME****MANAGEMENT MEMORANDUM
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Date: August 10, 2010
To: All State CDBG eligible jurisdictions and interested parties
From: Chris Westlake, Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Suspension of CDBG NOFAs

As you may know, the federal government provides a significantly smaller allocation of administration funds to the State of California to operate the State CDBG program than it provides to entitlement CDBG grantees or to the State HOME Program. The Department has tried over the last several years to solve the problems that this deficiency creates. Unfortunately, these efforts have been unsuccessful. Until such time as another solution becomes possible, the Department is now forced to take the following actions:

- No additional NOFAs will be issued until further notice. This includes the 2010 Economic Development Enterprise Fund NOFA and the combined 2010 CDBG Planning/Technical Assistance NOFA.
- Some CDBG staff members have been re-directed to the NSP and DRI programs.
- Other internal short-term actions will be taken.

Until a permanent solution can be identified, we cannot say yet when these NOFAs will be released.

The Department will still make awards under the 2010 General CDBG NOFA and the 2010 Economic Development Over the Counter NOFA, which have both already been published.

We will still have the CDBG/HOME Conference September 15-17, 2010.

It is our intent to find long-term solutions that not only fix the present problem, but also allow us to emerge a stronger program we can all be proud of. The CDBG Program will ask for input from the field at the upcoming CDBG/HOME Conference; and the CDBG Program will be consulting with our two advisory committees on an on-going basis. We are open to any feedback, suggestions and/or concerns at any point. Please contact Thomas Brandeberry, Section Chief for the CDBG Program at (916) 327 3613 or via email: tbrandeberry@hcd.ca.gov.