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# Topics

- Recap 2013 of 9% competition
- Regulation Changes for 2014
- The federal and State credit set-asides and apportionments

# Recap of 2013 9% Competition

- Approximately \$86.8 million in annual federal credit awarded in 2013
  - Plus \$77.7 million in State credits (up from \$63.8)
- 190 applications received during two rounds

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# 2013 9% Competition Results

- 84 projects awarded credits (102 in 2012)
- Success rate of applicants: 44% (43% in 2012)
- Will produce 5,171 units (6,393 in 2012)
- Average project size: 62 units (63 in 2012)

# **Regulation Changes for**

2014

Adopted by Committee on January 29 2014

# Native American Pilot Apportionment

- Federally-recognized tribes and their designated housing entities (§10302(00))
- "Tribal chairperson" listed as local notification party (§10305(f))

# Native American changes cont.

- Two-year \$1 million pilot apportionment within the rural set-aside (\$10315(c)(2))
  - One dollar rule applies (§10325(d)(1)(A))
  - Unsuccessful tribal applications would cascade into the larger rural competition ( $\frac{1}{2}$

## Native American changes cont.

- Attorney's letter in lieu of a chain of title report for trust land (§10322(h)(9)); and require an appraisal only for improvements where acquisition basis is sought (§10322(h)(9) and (25)(a))
- Reference to applicable tribal environmental review and tribal approvals (§10325(c)(8)(B) and (C))
- Tribal lands exempted from property tax assumption (§10327(g)(2))

### Native American cont.

- Reservation projects may be on Trust land or on land held in fee by the Tribe
- Tribes must obtain maximum capacity points, and may contract for experience (§10315(c)(2))
- Native American Block Grant listed as public subsidy source (§10325(c)(10)(A))

# Housing Types Shall Compete in Relevant Set-Asides

- Qualified nonprofit sponsors may still elect to compete, first, in the nonprofit set-aside (§10315)
- At-risk, special needs, and SRO housing types to compete in relevant set-asides first
- Awards from those set-asides shall count as those housing types, <u>not</u> senior

# **Discontinued Final Reservation**

- 9% credit projects affected
- No longer required in February of placed-in-service year
- TCAC will capture information in 180-day submittals (§10328(c))

### **New Homeless Definition**

- Incorporates HUD definition into TCAC regulations (§10315(b))
- Applies first of four categories to the nonprofit setaside priority
  - Individuals lacking a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence (\$10315(b)(1))
- Broader homeless definition for Special Needs housing type (§10325(g)(4))

### **State Credits**

- Clarify State credit eligibility and amount per project
  - Forgone federal boost (9%) or
  - Non-DDA/non-QCT projects (4%)
- 30% of requested eligible basis (§10317(a))

# State Credits and SN Projects

- Establish State credit exception for Special Needs projects
  - May also take federal boost (§10317(d))
- 9% SN projects are DDAs (§10327(d)(2))
  - May receive federal 130% basis boost
  - Also may apply for State credits

# **Rural Applicants**

- May only apply within rural set-aside
  - At-risk set-aside option eliminated (§10315(c))
- RHS apportionment now includes HOME-funded applications
  - \$1 million minimum commitment
  - Sub-priorities eliminated (§10315(c)(1))

# Subsequent Project Owners

- Through extended use period
- New GPs must earn equal experience points as exiting GP, or
  - At least three projects in service more than three years
  - Two projects must be CA tax credit projects
  - Or, take TCAC-sponsored training (§10320(b))

# Redevelopment Funding Commitments

- Reflect CDLAC's requirements
- Final and Conclusive Determination letter from DOF, if appropriate
- Written communication from DOF indicating former redevelopment resources are not contested by DOF (§10322(h)(16))

# **Experience Scoring**

- Projects in service less than three years no longer counted competitively
- Competitive sponsors or property management entities with fewer than
  - two projects in service (GPs) or managed (mgt. entities) three years
  - must contract with a minimally experienced property management entity

# Sustainable Building Scoring

- Added reference to Sustainable Building Workbook (§10325(c)(6)(H)(1) – (5)
- Established LEED, GreenPoint Rated, and Enterprise Green Communities as rehabilitation scoring options (§10325(c)(6)(D) – (F))
- Property owner must assure that efficiency will be maintained over time when features are replaced (§10325(f)(7))

# California Building Code Title 24, Part 6, Calibration

- Title 24 changing to 2013 standard on July 1, 2014
- TCAC will continue to calibrate against the current Title 24 standard (2008 standard)
- For second round applications, an <u>additional</u> 15% improvement over the 2008 standard will be reflected in scoring (§10325(c)(6)(B))
- After July 1, threshold also increased by 15% (§10325(f)(7)(A))

| Title 24                | Rule                |                     |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                         | 2013<br>(over 2008) | 2014<br>(over 2008) | 2014<br>(over 2013) |
| Min. Const.<br>Standard | 15.0%               | 30.0%               | 7.0%                |
| 2 Points                | 17.5%               | 32.5%               | 9.5%                |
| 3 Points                | 20.0%               | 35.0%               | 12.0%               |
| 5 Points                | 25.0%               | 40.0%               | 17.0%               |
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# Misc. Federal and State Policies

- Universal design option changed and increased to two points. (§10325(c)(9)(B))
- Smoke free option increased to two points (§10325(c)(9)(C))

# Single Jurisdiction Region Initial Tiebreaker

- Applies to City of Los Angeles projects and City/County of San Francisco projects (§10325(C)(10))
- Formal letter of support from:
  - Los Angeles Housing + Community Investment Department, or
  - San Francisco Mayor's Office of Housing

# Senior Housing Type

- For 2014, either 55+ or 62+ standard in conformance with fair housing laws is permitted
- In 2015, 62+ standard for Senior Housing Type
- 55+ may be used for other housing types (Special Needs, SRO, At-risk) or in 4% projects (§10325(g)(2))

# Senior Housing Type cont.

• Effective in 2015, 50 percent of all senior units on an accessible path must be developed to California Building Code Chapter 11(B) standards

#### Example:

- Two story non-elevator property:
- 50% of ground floor units accessible (25% of property)

# Accessibility Thresholds

- CBC Chapter 11(B) applicable in 2014, and increased in 2015  $(\S_{10325}(f)(7)(M))$ 
  - 5% with mobility features, 2% with sensory features
  - 10% and 4% respectively in 2015
- Lease up priority for accessible units to households who need them (§10337(b)(2))
- Applies to both mobility accessible and sensory accessible units

# Special Needs Housing Type

- Now includes persons with physical or sensory disabilities (§10325(g)(4))
  - Transitioning from hospitals, nursing homes, development centers, or other care facilities
- Homeless reference now to larger Hearth Act definition (§10315(b) reference)
  - Also, homeless youth as defined in State code

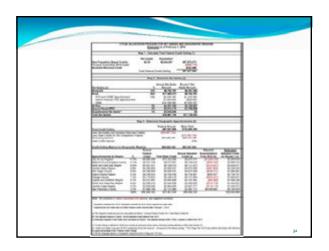
# **Other Changes**

- Rural: Alternative to on-site service may be within 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles rather than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> mile (§10325(c)(5)(B))
- TCAC Executive Director may waive 3- and 4-bedroom unit size minimums for Large Family housing types (§10325(g)(1))
- TE Bond 4% Projects: Minimum GP and property management experience may <u>not</u> be demonstrated by training exam (§10326(g)(5))

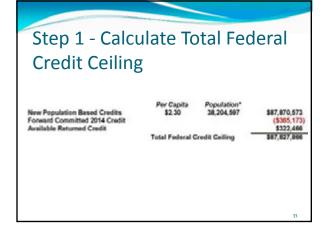
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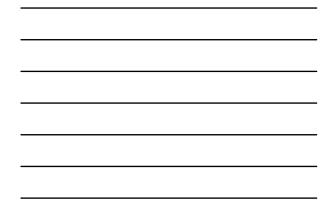
- 9% credits: Minimum rehabilitation hard costs = \$40,000 per unit (§10325(f)(10))
- 4%-plus-State credit applications acceptable from Section 236 and <u>Section 202</u> projects with over-income residents (§10317(g)(1))
- Acknowledgement that lost subsidies may require transition from a special needs population to a more general population (§10337(a)(2))











| Step 2 - Determ                     | inic |                            | ucs                         |
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| Set Asides (a)                      |      | Annual Set Aside<br>Amount | Round 1 Set<br>Aside Amount |
| Nonprofit                           | 10%  | \$8,782,787                | \$4,391,394                 |
| Rural                               | 20%  | \$17,565,573               | \$8,782,787                 |
| RHS and HOME Apportionment          | 14%  | \$2,459,180                | \$1,229,590                 |
| Native American Pilot Apportionment |      | \$1,000,000                | \$500,000                   |
| Other                               |      | \$14,106,393               | \$7,053,197                 |
| At-Risk                             | 8%   | \$4,391,393                | \$2,195,697                 |
| Special Needs/SRO                   | 4%   | \$3,513,115                | \$1,756,558                 |
| Supplemental Set Aside**            | 2%   | \$2,634,836                | \$0                         |
| Total Set Asides                    |      | \$36,887,704               | \$17,126,434                |
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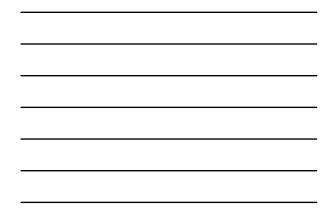
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| Step 3 - Determine<br>Apportionments   |                                |                                       |
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| Total Credit Ceiling   | Federal Annual<br>\$87,827,866 | State Total<br>\$103,894,360          |
| Less Set-Aaides (not including Returned Credita)<br>Less State Credits for 4% Competitive Projects<br>Remaining Balance<br>State Credit Adjuster | (\$36,887,704)<br>\$50,940,162 | (\$15,564,156)<br>\$88,310,208<br>65% |
| Credit Ceiling Balance to Geographic Regions   | \$50,940,142                   | \$57,401,634                          |
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| Balance of Los Angeles County .<br>North and East Bay Region  | 17.2%                                | \$5,761,708  |  | \$9,749,016<br>\$6,121,479                           | (\$904,783)<br>(\$123,921)                            | \$3,969,72m<br>\$2,906,617                               |
|   | 8.0%                                 | \$4,585,854  | 54 534 541   | 54.874.505   | (\$387.404)   | \$2,049,430  |
|   |                                      |  |  | \$4.874.508  | (\$538.371)   | \$1,896,882  |
| Central Valley Region   | 8.6%                                 | \$4,380,854  | \$4,936,541  |  |   |  |
| Central Valley Region<br>San Diego County<br>Inland Empire Region   | 8.0%                                 | \$4,228,033  | \$4,754,336  | 54,704,407   | \$404.527   | \$2,756,767  |
| Central Valley Region<br>San Dego County<br>Inland Engine Region<br>Orange County   | 8.0%<br>8.2%<br>7.2%                 | \$4,228,030<br>\$3,718,632                           | 54,764,336<br>54,190,219                             | 54,704,467<br>54,137,864                             | \$404.527<br>(\$254.201)                              | \$2,758,76m<br>\$1,804,63m                               |
| Central Valley Region<br>San Diego County<br>Intend Empire Region<br>Drange County<br>Capital and Northern Region                             | 8.0%<br>8.7%<br>7.7%                 | \$4,208,000<br>\$3,718,632<br>\$3,412,994            | 54,754,336<br>54,190,319<br>53,845,909               | 54,754,467<br>54,137,864<br>\$3,797,562              | \$404.527<br>(\$254.201)<br>(\$30.581)                | \$2,756,767<br>\$1,804,637<br>\$1,848,208                |
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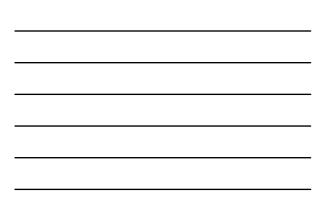






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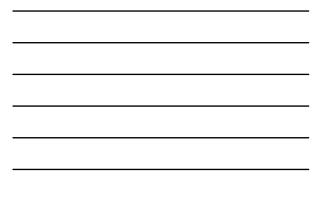








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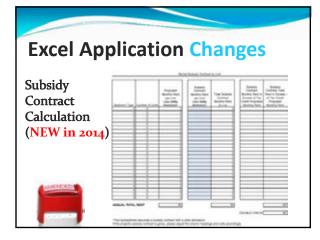


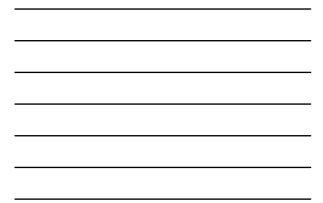
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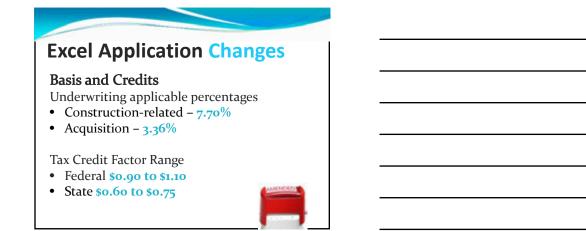
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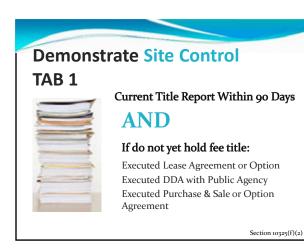
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- Page 5: Set-Aside dropdown updated
- Subsidy Contract Calculation (NEW in 2014)
- Enter in Subsidy Contract Rents into new "Subsidy Contract Calculation" worksheet











# **Demonstrate Property Value**



All applicants must demonstrate the land value for the tie breaker analysis of total development cost

Include under Tab 1

Refer to the 2013 "Application Underwriting and Scoring Guidance" memo on the TCAC website

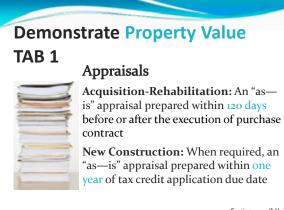
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**Demonstrate Property Value TAB 1** Appraisals Required for all competitive applications of a third party purchase California certified general appraiser

except new construction projects that have third party purchase contracts or evidence

having no identity of interest with development's partner(s) or general contractor

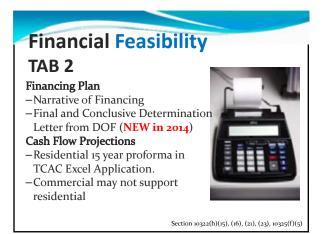
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|                                 | Related Party<br>Purchase<br>Agreement | 3rd Party<br>Purchase<br>Agreement | Appraisal  |
| Unrelated Parties               | N/A                                    | YES                                | Acquisition-<br>Rehab Only   |
| Related Parties                 | YES                                    | N/A                                | All projects   |
| Public Entity<br>Donation/Lease | N/A                                    | YES                                | Acquisition-<br>Rehab &<br>New Construction<br>with donated<br>public land |





# Financial Feasibility TAB 2

Utility Allowance Estimates

- CUAC questions contact:

Ammer Singh – <u>Asingh@sto.ca.gov</u>



See Section 10327 for TCAC's regulatory requirements on Financial Feasibility and Determination of Credit Amounts

Section 10322(h)(15), (16), (21), (23), 10325(f)(5)

# Financial Feasibility

#### TCAC Underwriting Requirements

-DCR at/above 1.15 -DCR at/below the higher of 1.25 OR 8% Gross Income in first 3 years -Positive 15 year cash-flow



Section 10327

# **Set-Aside Designation TAB 3**

#### Nonprofit

- Qualified under IRC Section 42(h)(5)
- Homeless assistance priority

### **NEW in 2014**

- Non-rural applicants must apply in corresponding Set-Aside if Housing Type election is At-Risk, Special Needs or SRO
- May elect to apply in Nonprofit Set-Aside

Section 10315(a)-(b),10322(h)(30)

# **Set-Aside Designation**

#### **TAB 3 Rural**

- Must have rural status per 2014 TCAC Methodology
- RHS (514, 515) and HOME priority NC **NEW in 2014**
- RHS and HOME Program Apportionment
- Native American Pilot Apportionment (\$1M) Rural-related questions? Contact Daniel Tran (dtran@sto.ca.gov)

Section 10315(c)-(e),10322(i)(31), (32)

# **Set-Aside Designation**

# **TAB 3**

#### At-Risk

- -Rural projects not eligible in Set-Aside (NEW in 2014)
- -Qualify for all housing type requirements

#### Special Needs/SRO

-Qualify for all housing type requirements

Section 10315(d)-(e),10325(g)(3)-(5)



# Development Team TAB 5

Current Financial Statements

> Organizational Documents

Identity of Interest

Legal Status Questionnaire

Section 10322(h)(3),(6), 10325(f)(6), 10326(g)(5)(A)





# Rehabilitation Credit TAB 8

#### "As Is" appraisal

- Includes land value "as if vacant"
- Done 120 days before or after purchase agreement execution or transfer of ownership

#### Underwriting

- "As is" appraised value
- Purchase price



# Acquisition & Rehabilitation

## Credit – TAB 8

Capital Needs Assessment (CNA)

Within 180 days of the application deadline
Rehabilitation Summary - Attachment 8
Address immediate rehabilitation needs and any planned long term replacements
Greater of \$40,000 in hard costs/unit (NEW in

2014) or 20% of adjusted basis

Section 10322(h)(26)(B), 10325(f)(10)



Section 10322(h)(27)-(29)

# TABS 10 & 11

Minimum Construction Standards & Project Size Limitations

#### **ATTACHMENT 10**

TCAC Executive Director must approve waiver requests BEFORE the deadline date.

Please submit all waiver requests in a timely manner.



# Site & Project Information

# **TAB 12**

### Physical Description

- Current use, adjacent property
- Unique features
- Site, parcel map, color photos
- Description of Off-Site Costs

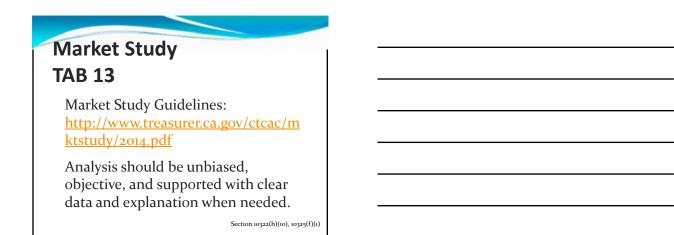
#### Project description

 Architectural drawings – project and unit square footage, bedroom count, laundry facilities, play area, commercial space, etc.

Architect Certification

Section 10322(h)(8), (11), (12)









# **Market Study Components**

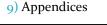
- 1) Cover Letter
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- 4) Delineation of Market Area

5) Market Area Economy

and Population

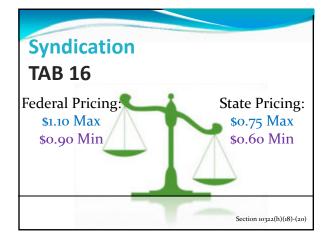


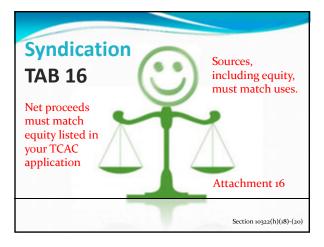
# Market Study Components Need and Demand Demand Estimate Description Rate Competitive Rental Market Existing and Planned Affordable Housing Comparables Matrices in Excel Format Comparables beyond 1 Mile



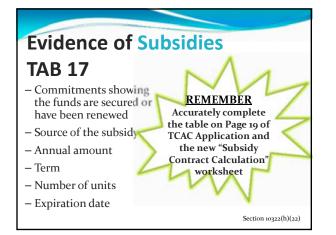




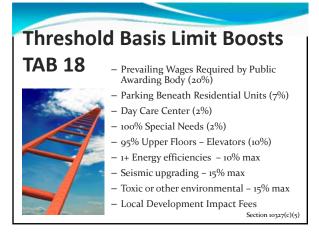












# Eligible Basis Certification TAB 19

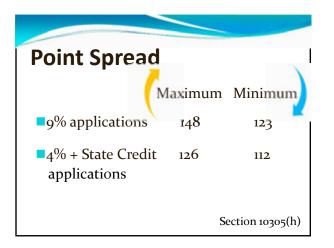
-Meets requirements of IRC Section 42(h)(1)(E)

- If rehabilitation of existing structures is involved, meets minimum requirements.
- -130% high cost limit



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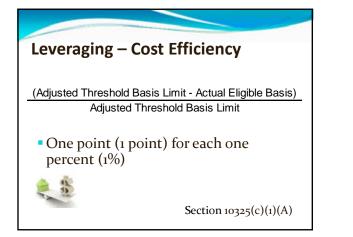
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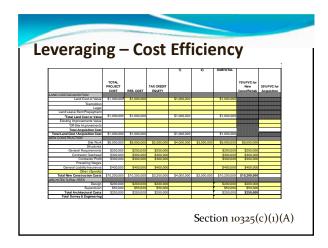


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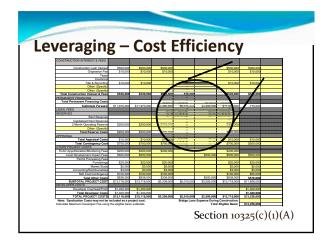










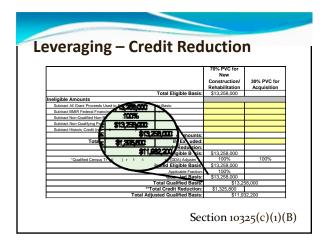




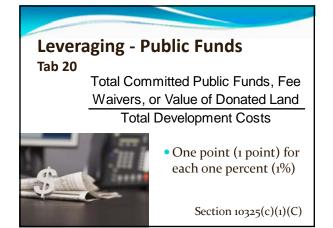
### Leveraging – Credit Reduction

- Example: <u>10%</u>
  - Qualified Basis X 10% = Reduction
  - Qualified Basis Reduction = Adjusted Qualified Basis
- One point (1 point) for each one percent (1%)

Section 10325(c)(1)(B)







# Leveraging - Public Funds Tab 20

- Local Community Foundation Funds
- "Tranche B" loans
- Public contributions of eligible off-site costs
- Assumed loans



Section 10325(c)(1)(C)

### General Partner Experience Tab 21

- Maximum 6 points (7 projects, >3 yrs.)
- Nonprofit/Special Needs Set Aside <u>and</u> Special Needs Housing Type (4 Special Needs projects, >3 yrs.)
- Attachment 21
- CPA Certification positive cash flow, funded reserves

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# General Partner Experience Tab 21

- <u>No</u> Points for Projects < 3 years (NEW in 2014)</p>
- < two (2) active <u>California</u> Low Income Housing Tax Credit Projects

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### Management Experience Tab 22

- Maximum 3 points (11 projects, >3 yrs.)
- Nonprofit/Special Needs Set Aside and Special Needs Housing Type (4 Special Needs projects, >3 yrs.)
- Attachment 22, Management Agreement
- Nationally Recognized Housing Tax Credit Compliance Entity (2 points)

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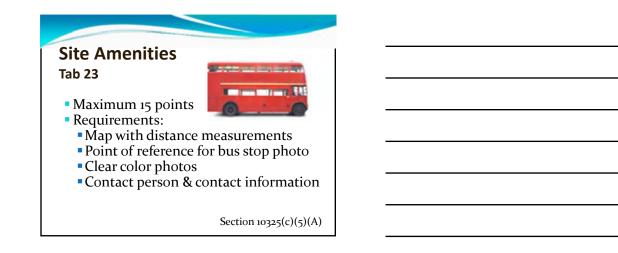


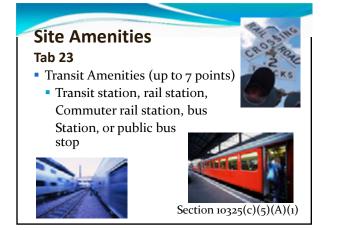
### Housing Needs Tab 22

- IO Points and Additional Threshold
- 9% Projects <u>must</u> meet a Housing Type
- Document how requirements are met
  - Attachment 4(A)-(E)
  - Architectural Drawings



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# Site Amenities Tab 23



- Public Park/Community Center (up to 3 points)
- Book-Lending Public Library (up to 3 points)
  - Inter-branch lending



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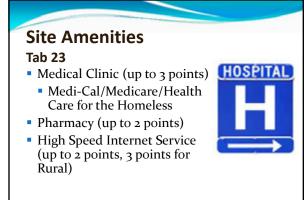






- Attendance Boundary
- Senior Center (up to 3 points)
- Special Needs or SRO Facilities (up to 3 points)

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# **Service Amenities**

#### Tab 24

- Special Needs, SRO:
  - Case manager
  - Service coordinator, Services specialist
  - Adult classes: educational, health/wellness, skill building
  - Health or behavioral health services provided by licensed organization or individual
  - Licensed childcare
  - After school program





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# Sustainable Building Methods Tab 25

- New Construction/Adaptive Reuse:
  - LEED, Green Communities, GreenPoint Rated Multifamily Guidelines (5 points)
  - Beyond minimum requirements (up to 5 points)
    - LEED (Silver, Gold), GreenPoint Rated (100, 125)

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## Sustainable Building Methods Tab 25

- New Construction/Adaptive Reuse:
  - Energy Efficiency beyond 2008 Title 24 (up to 5 points)
    - Round 1 (17.5%, 20%, 25%)
    - Round 2 (32.5%, 35%, 40%) (NEW in 2014)

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# Sustainable Building Methods Tab 25

#### Rehabilitation:

- LEED, GreenPoint Rated Existing Home Multifamily Program, 2011 Enterprise Green Communities (up to 5 pts.) (NEW in 2014)
- Beyond minimum requirements (up to 5 pts.) (NEW in 2014)
  - LEED (Silver, Gold), GreenPoint Rated (65, 95, 120), 2011 Enterprise Green Communities (Moderate, Substantial)
    - Section 10325(c)(6)(D), (F)

### Sustainable Building Methods Tab 25

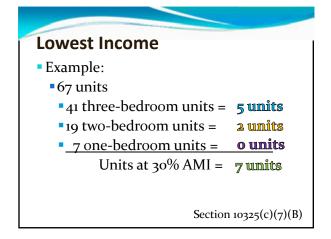
- Rehabilitation:
  - Improvement over current (up to 10 pts.)
     15%, 20%, 25%, 30%
  - Additional project measures (3 pts. each)
  - Sustainable building management practices (3 points)
  - Individual metering (3 points)

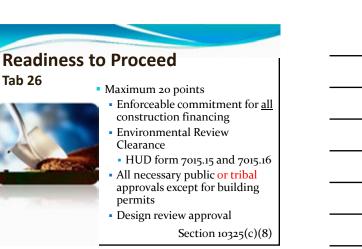
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#### Lowest Income

- Maximum 52 points
  - Points Table
  - Additional 2 points for 10% @ or below 30% AMI
    - Spread 30% units across the various bedroom-count units

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# **Readiness to Proceed**

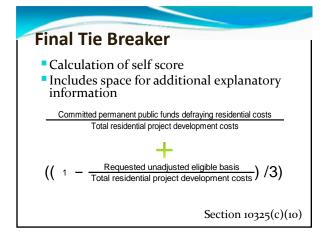
Tab 26

- Appeal Period 30 days beyond application deadline 90-day Letter of Intent (LOI)
  - deadline
  - Required if <u>any</u> points are received 180-day deadline
- Required if <u>maximum</u> points are received
  - Section 10325(c)(8)

# Misc. Federal and State Policies Tab 27

- Maximum 2 points
  - State credit substitution (2 points)
    Enhanced Accessibility and Visitability (2 points)\*
  - Smoke free residence (2 points)
  - Historic tax credits (1 point)\*
  - QCT with revitalization plan (2 points)\*
  - Eventual Tenant Ownership (1 point)\*

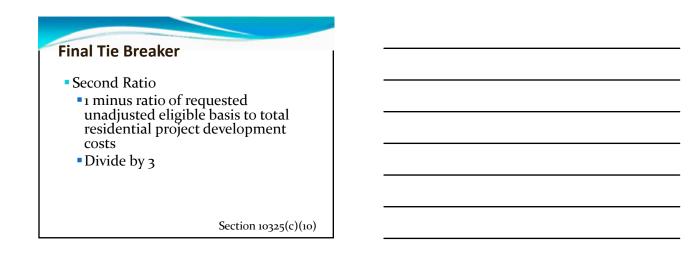
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#### **Final Tie Breaker**

- First Ratio (Public Funds)
   Community Foundation/Charitable Foundation
  - Value of land & improvements contributed from an <u>unrelated</u> 501(c) organization
  - Numerator increased by 25% of the percentage of subsidy-assisted tax credit units

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# **Final Tie Breaker**

- Mixed-Use Projects
   Commercial Cost Pro-ration
- Tranche B
  - Underwriting Interest Rate
  - Contract Rents
- Exclude Ineligible Off-Site Costs
  - Numerator and Denominator
  - Tab 12 Summary of Off-Site Costs

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