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EDITOR'S NOTE

The PIH Alert will be on hiatus Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday for a long holiday weekend. We wish you all a happy Thanksgiving!

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Issues BAP Waiver for Pacific Island/Territory Communities

Today in the *Federal Register*, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) published a final [notice](#) advising that HUD is providing a public interest, general applicability waiver for a period of 15 months to the Buy American Preference (BAP) for all federal financial assistance (FFA) used for infrastructure projects in the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and American Samoa—referred to collectively as Pacific Island/Territory Communities. The applicable date is November 15, 2023. According to the notice:

This waiver is effective for all FFA obligated by HUD on or after the effective date of this waiver and to the expenditure of funds on or after the effective date of this waiver for any FFA obligated by HUD prior to the effective date of this waiver, through the limited period of 15 months following the effective date of this waiver.

The [Build America, Buy America Act](#), enacted as part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act on November 15, 2021, established a domestic content procurement preference for all federal financial assistance obligated for infrastructure projects. The Act requires that all iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in covered infrastructure projects are produced in the United States.

NMA NEWS

NMA Releases 2023 Model Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy

Yesterday NMA sent out to customers the 2023 Model Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP). The ACOP has undergone extensive revisions to account for the Housing Opportunity for Modernization Act (HOTMA), including changes for the [Final Rule](#), Notice [PIH 2023-27](#), and other sources of HUD guidance on HOTMA, among other regulatory changes.

ACOP customers should have received an email from [NMACommunications@nanmckay.com](mailto:NMACommunications@nanmckay.com) notifying them of the 2023 revision. If your agency is a subscriber and didn't get the notification, please send an email to [revisions@nanmckay.com](mailto:revisions@nanmckay.com) to get access.

At NMA, our goal is to provide you with the finest products and services to assist you in the successful administration of your housing programs and to ensure that you have the most up-to-date information. We appreciate the confidence and trust that you place in us.



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