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HUD and DOI Partner to Use Federal Lands for Affordable Housing

In a [press release](#) yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) and the Department of the Interior ([DOI](#)) [announced](#) the launch of the [Joint Task Force on Federal Land for Housing](#). The initiative aims to identify underutilized federal lands suitable for residential development, streamline land transfer processes, and promote policies that increase affordable housing availability.

Under the agreement, HUD will assess areas with the most pressing housing needs and collaborate with state and local leaders, while DOI will identify suitable locations for housing, considering environmental impact and land-use restrictions. The initiative also seeks to reduce bureaucracy associated with land transfers or leases to public housing authorities, nonprofits, and local governments. Ultimately, both agencies will work to increase housing supply and decrease costs.



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