

June 24, 2009

Virginia A. Dienstbier
Grant Administrator
Rural Development Association of Northeast Kansas
P.O. Box 207
Sabetha, KS 66534

Re: Neighborhood Stabilization Program – Jefferson County, KS

Dear Ms. Dienstbier:

The Kansas Geological Survey (KGS) has received Rural Development Association's May 26, 2009, request for environmental comments. Jefferson County was awarded a HUD grant to purchase foreclosed residential properties for either demolition or rehabilitation and subsequent resale. The grant will fund approximately three properties for demolition and two to three properties for rehabilitation in Jefferson County, KS. The property locations are not yet identified.

A review of regional geologic information indicate that there are no unduly adverse geologic conditions that should affect this project. Environmental factors, if any, that could affect this project (e.g., asbestos, lead paint, 100-yr flood zone, etc.) will likely be more site-specific in nature and should be evaluated by the applicant. However for the purposes of the grant application, clearance of the project should proceed. A completed request for comments form is enclosed.

This letter is an assessment based on the regional geologic conditions available at the KGS at the time of writing and cannot be used in substitute of a detailed site characterization. Other geologic conditions, not discussed herein, or for which the KGS has no knowledge, may affect the viability or safe operation of this facility or property. It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide any necessary characterization, geotechnical or environmental testing, or design by a licensed professional geologist or engineer to complete the project.

Sincerely,



Shane Lyle, RG
Geology Extension Coordinator

Enclosures

cc: Dan Suchy, KGS Data Resources Library

Transmittal Date 6/24/09

Return to: Virginia Dienstbier, Grant Coordinator
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☐ Agricultural DWR	☒ Geological Survey	☐ Transportation
☐ Biological Survey	☐ Health & Environment	☐ Water Office, KS
☐ Conservation Comm.	☐ Historical Society	☐ Wildlife & Parks
☐ Commerce	☐ Social & Rehabilitation	

Properties within the boundaries of Jefferson County, Kansas

Part II AGENCY REVIEW COMMENTS

COMMENTS: (attach additional sheet if necessary)

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AGENCY REVIEW TRANSMITTAL FORM

Part III

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS/COMMENTS

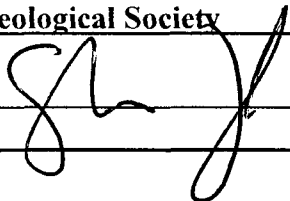
- ☒ Clearance of the project
Should be granted
- ☐ Clearance of the project should not
be delayed but the Applicant should
(in the final application) address and
clarify the questions or concerns
indicated above.
- ☐ Clearance of the project should be
Delayed until the issues or questions
above have been clarified.
- ☐ Request the opportunity to review
final application prior to submission
to the Federal Funding Agency
- ☐ Request a State Process Recommendation
In concurrence with the above comments

Division/Agency/Commission

Reviewer: Kansas Geological Society

Date

6/24/09

Reviewer Signature: 

May 26, 2009



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**RE: JEFFERSON COUNTY NEIGHBORHOOD
STABILIZATION PROGRAM - NO. 09-NSP-009**

Jefferson County solicits your agency review of the program captioned above.

This HUD program is intended to purchase residential properties that have gone through foreclosure, rehabilitate to safety and livability standards and resell the properties to those in the population earning no more than 120% of Area Median Income (AMI) while reserving 25% of funding for those in the population earning less than 50% of AMI.

The County may also elect to purchase and demolish blighted residential properties and hold said properties for redevelopment or turn them over to a local housing organization for future redevelopment. No more than 10% of the funds allotted under the program would go to demolition and clearance of blighted properties. Total Funding for the project is \$213,562. The County plans to use \$53,500 of the funding to benefit population earning less than 50% of Area Median Income, no more than \$21,000 to demolish approximately three (3) blighted residential structures, and the remainder to purchase and rehabilitate two to three homes to safety and livability standards to be resold to income qualified homebuyers for residential purposes.

Latitude is 39.215183N Longitude is 95.313546 W. In order to meet HUD dictated deadlines on the project, the County is requesting a response to this letter within 30 days or no later than June 22, 2009.

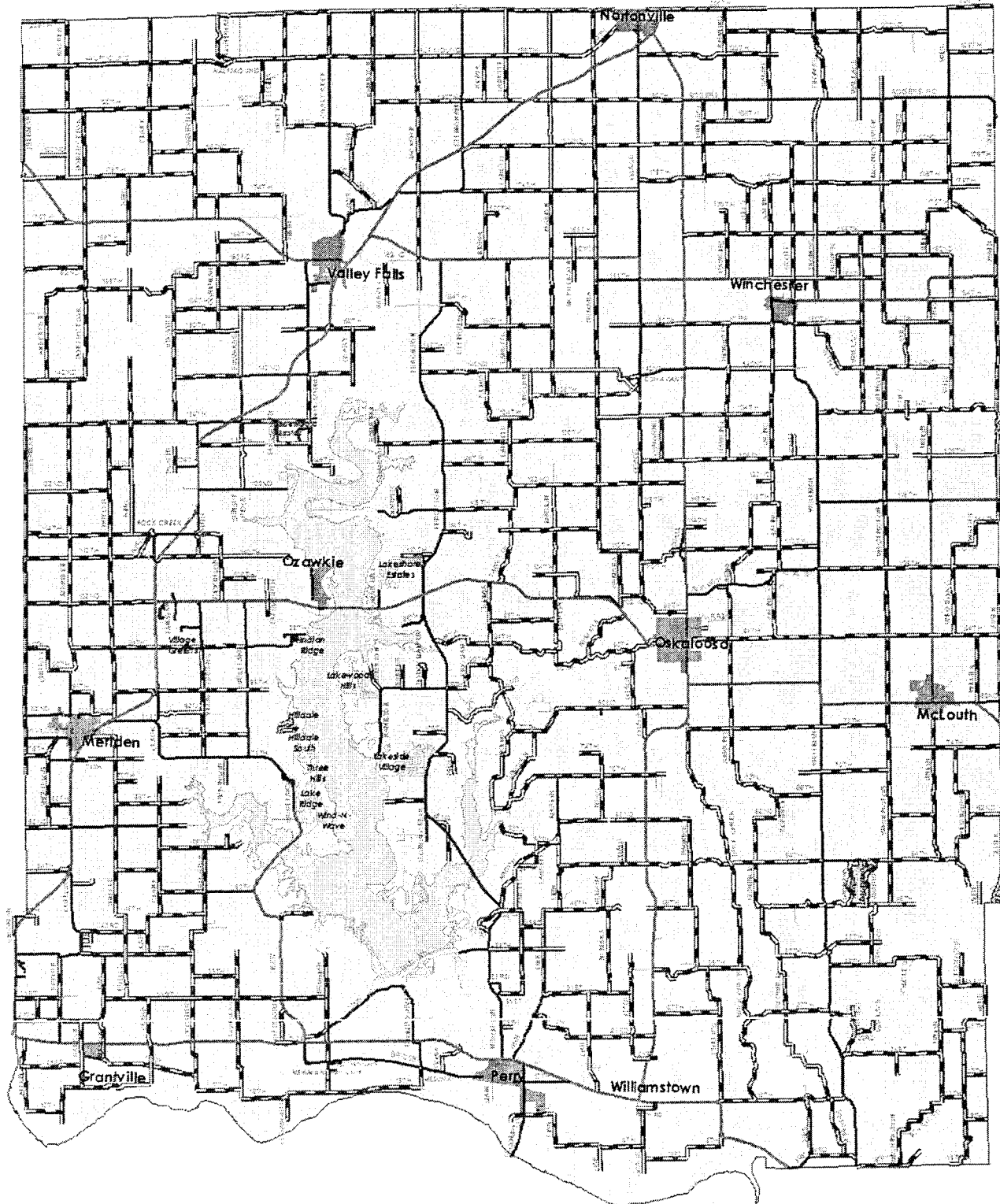
An Agency Transmittal form, an area map and a flood map is enclosed for your review and comments. Thank you for your assistance and consideration of this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Virginia A. Dienstbier'.

Virginia A. Dienstbier
Grant Administrator

Enclosures: 3



Jefferson County, Kansas



This map is not a legal survey. Jefferson County will not be held responsible for any errors or misrepresentations on this map.

Made by the Jefferson County GIS Department, January 2007.

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Road Cover

- Graded Dirt
- Graded Gravel
- Highway
- Paved County

