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## **Environmental Review for Activity/Project that is Categorically Excluded Subject to Section 58.5**

**Pursuant to 24 CFR 58.35(a)**

### **Project Information**

**Project Name:** PR-ESP-00327 Colmado El Resuelve (Luis Acevedo Jimenez)

**Responsible Entity:** Puerto Rico Department of Housing

**Grant Recipient:** Department of Economic Development and Commerce (DEDC)

**State/Local Identifier:** Puerto Rico / Lares, PR

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**Project Location:** Calle Emilio Castro Num 4, Lares PR, 00669  
Coordinates: 18.292940, -66.890803  
Parcel cadastral: 158-058-046-33-000

**Description of the Proposed Project** [24 CFR 50.21 & 58.32]:

The subject property is a commercial building located in Lares, PR serving as a grocery store. The project is located at Calle Emilio Castro Num 4, Lares PR, 00669, Latitude: 18.292940, Longitude: -66.890803. A Site Map is included in Figure 1 in Appendix 1, illustrating the location of the building. The area is characterized by being urban, near family residences and commercial buildings. The nearest road with access to the building is PR-111.

A field visit was conducted on March 26, 2025, to document existing conditions of the project site. The Field Visit Report is included in Appendix 2. The project scope includes the installation of a photovoltaic (solar) panel system on the existing commercial building's roof and appurtenant storage system (batteries) on a lateral wall, with all improvements limited to the roof, floors, and walls of the existing structure. The proposed system includes 32 Solar Panels (400 Watts) and two Tesla PowerWall batteries, part of the equipment will be privately financed by the applicant. The system will be interconnected with the LUMA Energy distribution network under the Net Metering Program. The proposed project Scope of Work quote is included in Appendix 3.

**Level of Environmental Review Determination:**

Categorically Excluded per 24 CFR 58.35(a), and subject to laws and authorities at §58.5: 58.35(a) [3(iii)]. In the case of non-residential structures, including commercial, industrial, and public buildings: (A) The facilities and improvements are in place and will not be changed in size or capacity by more than 20 percent; and (B) The activity does not involve a change in land use, such as from non-residential to residential, commercial to industrial, or from one industrial use to another.

**Funding Information**

| <b>Grant Number</b> | <b>HUD Program</b>  | <b>Funding Amount</b>  |
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| B-18-DE-72-0001     | Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-DR): Electrical Power Reliability and Resilience Program (ER2) (Energy Support Incentive Program 2.0 Set-Aside) | Energy Support Incentive Program 2.0 Set-Aside - \$30,000,000 set aside from ER2 Total –<br><b>\$1,316,406,180.00.</b> |

**Estimated Total HUD Funded Amount:** \$27,000.00

**Estimated Total Project Cost** (HUD and non-HUD funds) [24 CFR 58.32(d)]: \$45,000.00

**Privately funded by the applicant:** \$18,000.00



## **Compliance with 24 CFR 50.4, 58.5, and 58.6 Laws and Authorities**

Record below the compliance or conformance determinations for each statute, executive order, or regulation. Provide credible, traceable, and supportive source documentation for each authority. Where applicable, complete the necessary reviews or consultations and obtain or note applicable permits of approvals. Clearly note citations, dates/names/titles of contacts, and page references. Attach additional documentation as appropriate.

| <b>Compliance Factors:</b><br>Statutes, Executive Orders,<br>and Regulations listed at 24<br>CFR §58.5 and §58.6  | Are formal<br>compliance<br>steps or<br>mitigation<br>required?           | Compliance determinations  |
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| <b>STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4 &amp; 58.6</b>   |   |  |
| <b>Airport Hazards</b><br><br>24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D  | Yes    No<br><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The project site is not located within 2,500 ft of a civil airport or 15,000 ft of a military airport. The site is located 87,913 feet from the nearest civil airport, Eugenio Maria de Hostos and 307,932 feet from the nearest military airport, Luis Muñoz Marín International Airport in San Juan. This topic is in compliance with HUD's Airport Hazard Regulations without further evaluation.<br><br>Refer to Airports Map Zone, Figure 2 included in Appendix 1. |
| <b>Coastal Barrier Resources</b><br><br>Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 [16 USC 3501]          | Yes    No<br><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | This project is not located in a CBRS Unit. The project is located 70,737 feet southwest of the nearest Coastal Barrier Resource System, PR-79. Therefore, this project has no potential to impact on a CBRS Unit and is in compliance with the Coastal Barrier Resources Act.<br><br>Refer to Coastal Barrier Resource System Map, Figure 3 included in Appendix 1.   |
| <b>Flood Insurance</b><br><br>Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001-4128 and 42 USC 5154a] | Yes    No<br><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | As per FEMA's FIRM Panel 72000C0570H, effective April 19, 2005, this project is located within Zone X. The project does not require flood insurance or is excepted from flood insurance. The project is in compliance with the Flood Insurance section without further evaluation.   |

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|  |   | Refer to Flood Insurance Rate Map, Figure 4 included in Appendix 1.  |
| <b>STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4 &amp; 58.5</b>                          |   |  |
| <b>Clean Air</b><br><br>Clean Air Act, as amended, particularly section 176(c) & (d); 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 93 | Yes    No<br><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <p>The project is not located in a nonattainment municipality of Puerto Rico (Arecibo, Bayamón, Cataño, Guaynabo, Salinas, San Juan, Toa Baja). The structure located in the Municipio of Lares. This project includes the installation of a photovoltaic (solar) panel system on the existing commercial building's roof and appurtenant storage system (batteries). The project activities do not create new sources of air pollution. As described, the project does not involve new construction or a change in land use to facilitate the development of public, commercial, or industrial facilities, nor does it involve five or more dwelling units. Accordingly, under HUD's environmental review procedures, the project is presumed to result in emissions below de minimis levels and is considered compliant with the Clean Air Act (CAA).</p> <p>The project is located 76,270 feet from the nearest Non-attainment area. The proposed project activities will not create new air emission generator sources. Furthermore, under Puerto Rico's air quality regulations, the project meets the exemption criteria outlined in Rule 206 of the RCAP (1995), Regulation No. 5300, and is therefore in compliance with the Clean Air Act and all applicable federal, state, and local air quality standards. The installation and operation of this project will have no impact and is in compliance with the Clean Air Act without further evaluation.</p> <p>See attached published list of Puerto Rico Nonattainment/Maintenance Status for each country by year for all criteria pollutants in Appendix 4.</p> <p>Refer to Clean Air Map, Figure 5 included in Appendix 1.</p> |

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| <p><b>Coastal Zone Management</b></p> <p>Coastal Zone Management Act, sections 307(c) &amp; (d)</p> | <p>Yes    No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>The project is located 66,166 feet from the nearest Coastal Zone Management Area and does not affect a Coastal Zone as defined in the state Coastal Management Plan. The project is in compliance with the Coastal Zone Management Act.</p> <p>Refer to CZMA map, Figure 6 included in Appendix 1.</p>  |
| <p><b>Contamination and Toxic Substances</b></p> <p>24 CFR Part 50.3(i) &amp; 58.5(i)(2)</p>        | <p>Yes    No</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>This project includes the installation of a photovoltaic (solar) panel system on the existing commercial building's roof and appurtenant storage system (batteries) on a lateral wall. The project site was evaluated for potential contamination by conducting a field inspection on March 26, 2025, to identify any onsite hazards including, but not limited to, soil staining, above ground storage tanks, signs of underground storage tanks, odors, hazardous debris, potential contamination regarding lead-based paint or asbestos, etc. The site inspection did not identify any onsite hazards.</p> <p>In addition, a desktop review of USEPA databases, NEPAassist, and other sources was conducted to determine if the project site was located near dump sites, junk yards, landfills, hazardous waste sites, or industrial sites, including USEPA National Priorities List Sites (Superfund sites), CERCLA or state equivalent sites, RCRA Corrective Action sites with release(s) or suspected release(s) requiring clean-up action and/or further investigation. The desktop review found two sites within 3,000 feet of the project area. The sites are registered as RCRA facilities with no violation. Therefore, the sites do not present a risk to the health and safety of project occupants or conflict with the intended use of the property.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PUERTO RICO IND DEVELOPMENT CO, REGISTRY ID: 110012259732, EMILIO CASTRO URBAN – RCRAINFO –</li> </ul> |

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|  |  | <p>The site is inactive. No violations identified. – 77 feet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TEXACO PUERTO RICO INC, REGISTRY ID: 110007820064, PR-111 KM 34.3 PUEBLO WARD – RCRAINFO – The site is inactive. No violations identified. – 1,142 feet</li> </ul> <p>Refer to the ECHO Reports included in Appendix 5.</p> <p>The lead-based paint review is subject to the Lead Safe Housing Rule (LSHR) under 24 CFR Part 35, the EPA's Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) Rule under 40 CFR Part 745 Subpart E, and Puerto Rico DNER Regulation 9098. A lead-based paint inspection and/or risk assessment is not required if the building was constructed after January 1, 1978. The subject property was built in circa 1960; therefore, it is required to perform a screen for lead-based paint prior to starting the work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The work must be performed by RRP Certified Renovation Firm.</li> <li>• At least one RRP-Certified Renovator must be at the job site or available when work is being done.</li> <li>• Workers at the job site must receive on-the-job training from the Certified Renovator.</li> <li>• Lead Safe Work Practices are recommended if paint disturbance is "di minimis".</li> <li>• Lead Safe Work Practices are required if paint disturbance exceeds "di minimis" but not EPA's minor repair and maintenance threshold.</li> <li>• Property Risk Assessment and abatement of all lead-based paint hazards are required prior to commencing work if paint disturbance is significant.</li> </ul> <p>The proposed activities are minor in scope and involve limited surface penetration (e.g.,</p> |
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|  |  | <p>drilling to mount equipment). They do not include demolition or renovation activities that would disturb significant quantities of ACM. The systems being installed have been consistently evaluated as non-invasive and do not trigger permitting thresholds under NESHAP.</p> <p>While minimal dust or particulate emissions may result from surface drilling, these emissions are expected to remain well below de minimis thresholds and do not result in the release of regulated asbestos fibers. Additionally, the program does not include new construction or land conversion.</p> <p>Under Puerto Rico's air quality regulations, these activities qualify for permitting exemptions under Rule 206 of the Regulation for the Control of Atmospheric Pollution (RCAP), Regulation No. 5300, confirming compliance with the Clean Air Act and all applicable federal, state, and local air quality standards.</p> <p>The Energy Support Incentive Program 2.0 – Set-Aside Program, funded through CDBG-DR, does not involve construction activities that would require a building or use permit. According to Planning Board Joint Regulation 9473, approved on June 16, 2023, Section 9.4.1.3.a.1 states: "Photovoltaic solar installations that are installed on the roofs of structures and whose capacity is up to one megawatt do not require a construction or use permit. Nor will a building permit be required for systems up to one hundred kilowatts above ground."</p> <p>As such, the proposed activities do not trigger construction permit requirements and do not involve regulated asbestos disturbance. No renovation or demolition activities that would exceed ACM thresholds are included in the program.</p> <p>On January 11, 2024, HUD issued Notice CPD-23-103, Departmental Policy for Addressing Radon in the Environmental Review Process, which requires the</p> |
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|  |  | <p>Responsible Entity (RE) to consider radon as part of the site contamination analysis for projects subject to HUD’s contamination regulations at 24 CFR 58.5(i), unless the project qualifies for an exemption. According to the notice, radon must be addressed in environmental reviews for projects involving structures that are or will be occupied for at least four (4) hours per day. The eligible business activities under the Energy Support Incentive Program 2.0 – Set-Aside Program are expected to meet this occupancy threshold and thus would typically require radon consideration as part of the environmental review. However, there is currently no large-scale dataset available for Puerto Rico that meets HUD’s standards for determining radon hazard levels. On March 6, 2024, the Puerto Rico Department of Housing (PRDOH) formally consulted with HUD to document the absence of reliable scientific data and to explain that radon testing in Puerto Rico would be impractical and infeasible. This determination was based on prior research efforts that lacked adequate laboratory support, making it difficult to obtain accurate or consistent results.</p> <p>Additionally, there is a limited number of trained radon testing professionals on the island, which presents another barrier to compliance with HUD’s testing requirements. In response, on May 15, 2024, HUD requested that PRDOH consult with relevant agencies—including the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), United States Geological Survey (USGS), University of Puerto Rico – Mayagüez Campus, and the Puerto Rico Department of Natural and Environmental Resources (DNER)—to further document the lack of scientific data, as outlined in Section III.C. of Notice CPD-23-103. On August 20, 2024, PRDOH conducted formal consultations with the above-mentioned agencies and submitted information requests to state and federal entities. Responses were received from the</p> |
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|   |   | <p>following: United States Geological Survey (USGS); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); Puerto Rico Department of Health; United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).</p> <p>All responding agencies confirmed the absence of reliable, large-scale radon data for Puerto Rico and acknowledged the technical and logistical challenges associated with radon testing on the island. Based on these consultations and findings, radon testing is deemed infeasible and impracticable for the Energy Support Incentive Program 2.0 – Set-Aside Program. Therefore, no further consideration or evaluation of radon is required as part of the environmental review, in accordance with HUD Notice CPD-23-103. Supporting documentation is provided in Appendix 5. In conclusion, after reviewing the program in the context of the site contamination analysis requirements under 24 CFR 58.5(i), PRDOH has determined that radon testing is impractical and infeasible, and no further evaluation is required for radon.</p> <p>The project is in compliance with Contamination and Toxic Substances requirements.</p> <p>Refer to Contamination and Toxic Substances, Figure 7 included in Appendix 1.</p> |
| <p><b>Endangered Species</b></p> <p>Endangered Species Act of 1973, particularly section 7; 50 CFR Part 402</p> | <p>Yes    No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>After reviewing data from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Information and Planning Consultation (IPaC), the Puerto Rican boa (<i>Chilabothrus inornatus</i>) could be found in the project area. The scope of work includes the installation of a photovoltaic (solar) panel system on the existing commercial building's roof and appurtenant storage system (batteries) on a lateral wall. Since the work to be carried out is limited to the roof and wall of the structure, it does not involve any type of ground disturbance or removal of vegetation. The nature of the project, scope of work, information available, a careful analysis of</p>   |

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|   |   | <p>the IpaC, the Caribbean Dkey in the US Fish and Wildlife Service’s online IPaC application, and the observations during the field visit on March 26, 2025, were used to evaluate the potential impacts to federally listed species from this project. Based on the answers provided, a consistency letter was obtained for the Puerto Rican boa which determined that the proposed actions for this project would have “No Effect” (NE) for this species.</p> <p>The nearest Critical Habitat is 40,999 feet from the project site. USFWS “No Effect” Memo was submitted on May 8, 2025, and the Agency response was received on May 15, 2025. The project is in compliance with the Endangered Species Act of 1973.</p> <p>If a Puerto Rican Boa is found in the project activity site, work shall cease until the Boa moves off on its own. If the Boa does not move off, the Construction Manager shall contact the Puerto Rico Department of Natural and Environmental Resources and ask them to relocate the Boa. As established by the USFWS Puerto Rican Boa Conservation Measures Guideline. <a href="https://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/guideline/design/population/156/office/41430.pdf">https://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/guideline/design/population/156/office/41430.pdf</a></p> <p>Refer to Threatened and Endangered Species Map, Figure 8 included in Appendix 1.</p> <p>See USFWS “No Effect” Memo and supporting documentation in Appendix 6.</p> |
| <p><b>Explosive and Flammable Hazards</b></p> <p>24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C</p> | <p>Yes    No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>This project includes the installation of a photovoltaic (solar) panel system on the existing commercial building’s roof and appurtenant storage system (batteries) on a lateral wall and will not result in increased densities, conversion to residential uses, or making a vacant building habitable.</p> <p>The project itself is not the development of a hazardous facility, nor will the project increase residential densities or result in land conversion. The project is in compliance with HUD Explosive and Flammable Hazards.</p>  |



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| <p><b>Farmlands Protection</b></p> <p>Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, particularly sections 1504(b) and 1541; 7 CFR Part 658</p>  | <p>Yes    No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>This project includes the installation of a photovoltaic (solar) panel system on the existing commercial building's roof and appurtenant storage system (batteries). This project does not include any activities that could potentially convert agricultural land to non-agricultural use. The project is in an area designated as Not prime farmland. The project is in compliance with the Farmland Protection Policy Act.</p> <p>Refer to Farmland Protection Map, Figure 9 included in Appendix 1.</p>   |
| <p><b>Floodplain Management</b></p> <p>Executive Order 11988, particularly section 2(a); 24 CFR Part 55</p>                               | <p>Yes    No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>PFIRMs in Puerto Rico were only developed for certain sections of the municipalities of Carolina, Canovanas, Loiza, San Juan, Trujillo Alto and Rio Grande. The proposed project is located in the municipality of Lares. Therefore, PFIRM information is not available for the area and not considered in the review.</p> <p>As per the FEMA Advisory Based Flood Elevation Maps (ABFE), the project site is located within Zone X (area of minimal flood hazard). As the project site is not located within the FEMA-designated Special Flood Hazard Areas for the 1 percent (100-year) or 0.2 percent (500-year) flood zones, it is not classified as being within the floodplain. The project is in compliance with the HUD Floodplain Management Regulations and the Executive Order 11988.</p> <p>Refer to Advisory Base Flood Elevation Map, Figure 10 and Preliminary FIRM Figure 11, included in Appendix 1.</p> |
| <p><b>Historic Preservation</b></p> <p>National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, particularly sections 106 and 110; 36 CFR Part 800</p> | <p>Yes    No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>This project includes the installation of a photovoltaic (solar) panel system on the existing commercial building's roof and appurtenant storage system (batteries). The State Historic Preservation Office reviewed the proposed project location in accordance with 54 U.S.C. 306108 (commonly known as Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act) and 36 CFR Part 800: Protection of Historic Properties.</p>  |

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|   |   | <p>Documentation with photographs and maps was subsequently submitted to SHPO (attached Appendix 7). The property was built circa 1960. In response from PR SHPO dated September 16, 2025, SHPO concurred with a finding of “<i>No Historic Properties Affected</i>” within the project’s Area of Potential Effects. The property is not considered historic or contributing to an historic district (See attached Historic map, Figure 12). Therefore, this activity is in compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act.</p> <p>Refer to Historic Preservation Map, Figure 12 included in Appendix 1.</p> |
| <p><b>Noise Abatement and Control</b></p> <p>Noise Control Act of 1972, as amended by the Quiet Communities Act of 1978; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B</p> | <p>Yes    No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>This project includes the installation of a photovoltaic (solar) panel system on the existing commercial building’s roof and appurtenant storage system (batteries). The project does not include new construction for residential use or rehabilitation of an existing residential property. The site is urban developed and there will be no impact to or from the surrounding area from a noise perspective. This topic is in compliance with Noise abatement and Control without further evaluation.</p> <p>Refer to Noise Abatement and Control Map, Figure 13 included in Appendix 1.</p>                   |
| <p><b>Sole Source Aquifers</b></p> <p>Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, particularly section 1424(e); 40 CFR Part 149</p>                  | <p>Yes    No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>According to the USEPA’s Source Water Protection, Sole Source Aquifer Protection Program, there are no sole source aquifers in Puerto Rico. Therefore, the proposed project site is not located within a sole source aquifer, nor will it directly or indirectly impact one. Therefore, the project is in compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, particularly section 1424(e); 40 C.F.R. Part 149 without further evaluation.</p> <p>Refer to Sole Source Aquifer Map, Figure 14 included in Appendix 1.</p>  |
| <p><b>Wetlands Protection</b></p>   | <p>Yes    No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>The project does not involve new constructions and/or activities that may have a direct or indirect adverse impact on any on</p>  |

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| Executive Order 11990, particularly sections 2 and 5   |   | <p>site wetlands, there are no wetlands within or in the vicinity of the project area. The closest wetland is located 1,342 feet from the Project Site. The project does not have the potential to impact wetlands. The project is in compliance with E.O. 11990.</p> <p>Refer to Wetlands Map, Figure 15 included in Appendix 1.</p> |
| <b>Wild and Scenic Rivers</b><br><br>Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, particularly section 7(b) and (c) | Yes    No<br><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <p>This project is not within proximity of the NWSRS river. The project is located 381,902 feet from the nearest Wild and Scenic River (De la Mina River). The project is in compliance with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.</p> <p>Refer to Wild and Scenic Rivers Map, Figure 16 included in Appendix 1.</p>                        |

**Field Inspection:** March 26, 2025, by Egon Gonzalez and Patricia Carmenatty.

**Summary of Findings and Conclusions:** The proposed activity has been found to not have any adverse effects on the environment nor is there a requirement for further consultation with any agency. There is no environmental review topics addressed that result in the need for formal compliance steps or the requirement for mitigation.

### **Mitigation Measures and Conditions**

Summarize below all mitigation measures adopted by the Responsible Entity to reduce, avoid, or eliminate adverse environmental impacts and to avoid non-compliance or non-conformance with the above-listed authorities and factors. These measures/conditions must be incorporated into project contracts, development agreements, and other relevant documents. The staff responsible for implementing and monitoring mitigation measures should be clearly identified in the mitigation plan.

| Law, Authority, or Factor   | Mitigation Measure  |
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| <b>Contamination and Toxic Substances</b><br>24 CFR Part 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2) | <p>The subject property was built circa 1960; therefore, it is required to perform a screen for lead-based paint prior to starting the work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The work must be performed by RRP Certified Renovation Firm.</li> <li>• At least one RRP-Certified Renovator must be at the job site or available when work is being done.</li> <li>• Workers at the job site must receive on-the-job training from the Certified Renovator.</li> </ul> |

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**Determination:**

- ☐ This categorically excluded activity/project converts to Exempt, per 58.34(a)(12) because there are no circumstances which require compliance with any of the federal laws and authorities cited at §58.5. **Funds may be committed and drawn down after certification of this part** for this (now) EXEMPT project; OR
- ☒ This categorically excluded activity/project cannot convert to Exempt because there are circumstances which require compliance with one or more federal laws and authorities cited at §58.5. Complete consultation/mitigation protocol requirements, **publish NOI/RROF and obtain "Authority to Use Grant Funds"** (HUD 7015.16) per Section 58.70 and 58.71 before committing or drawing down any funds; OR
- ☐ This project is now subject to a full Environmental Assessment according to Part 58 Subpart E due to extraordinary circumstances (Section 58.35(c)).

Preparer Signature: 

Date: 10/24/2025

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Responsible Entity Agency Official Signature:

Date: 10/30/2025

Name/Title: Abdul X. Feliciano Plaza, Permits and Environmental Specialist

This original, signed document and related supporting material must be retained on file by the Responsible Entity in an Environmental Review Record (ERR) for the activity/project (ref: 24 CFR Part 58.38) and in accordance with recordkeeping requirements for the HUD program(s).

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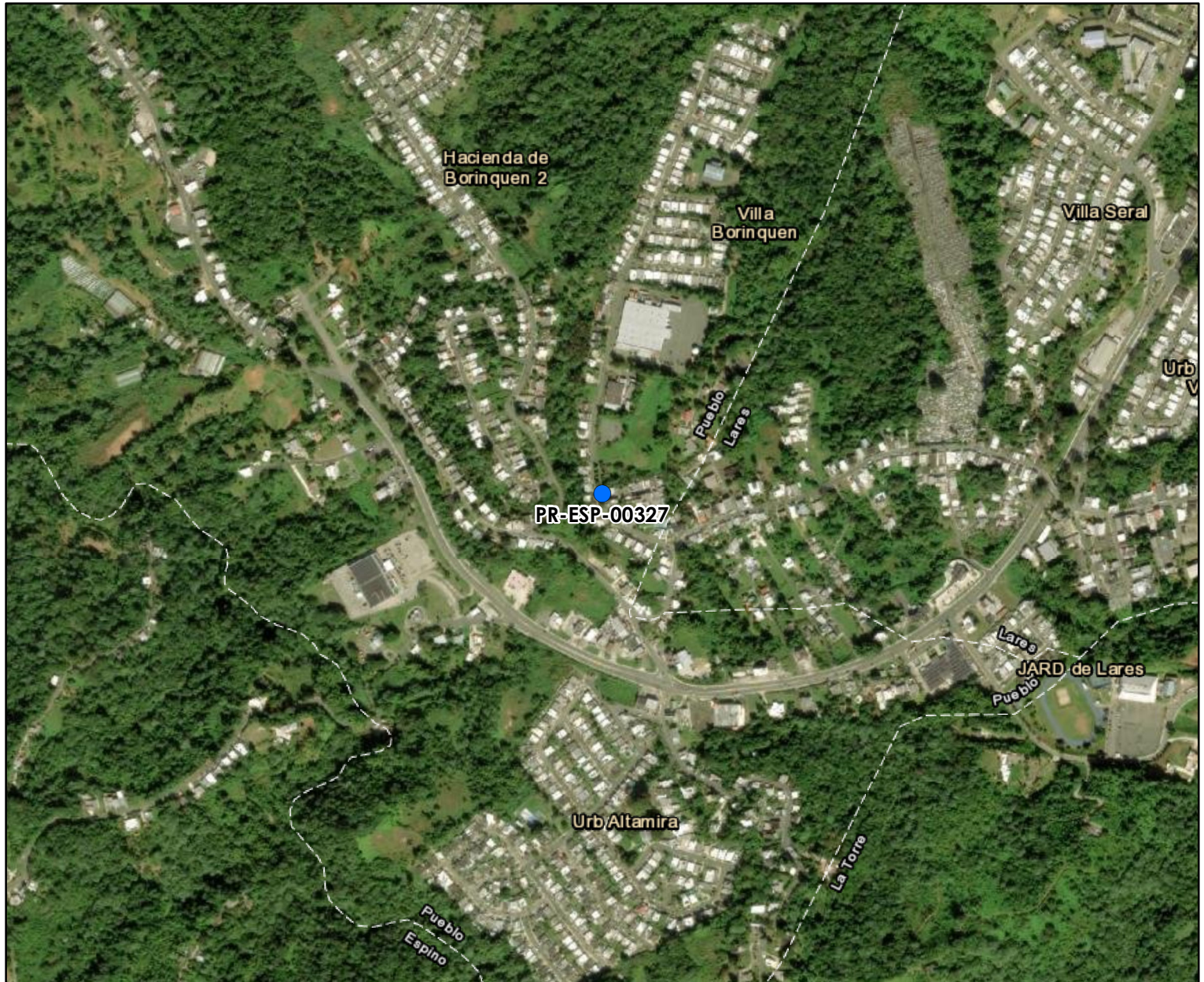


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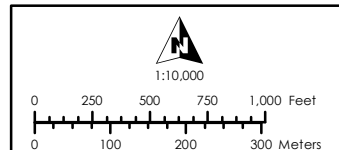
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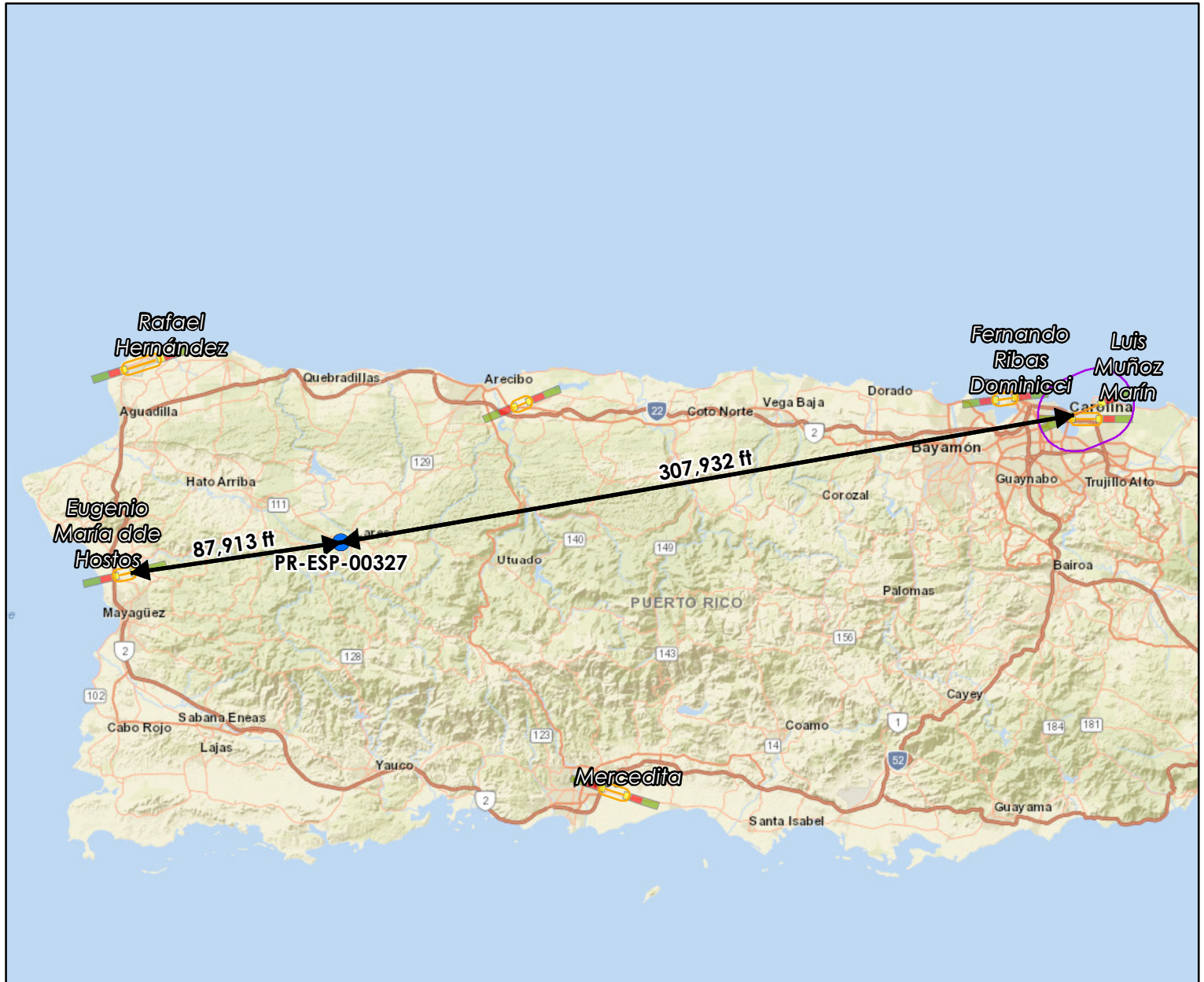


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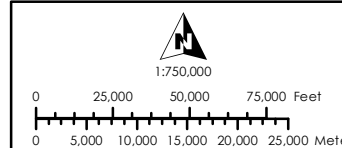
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|   | <span style="background-color: red; border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 10px;"></span> APZ 1         |
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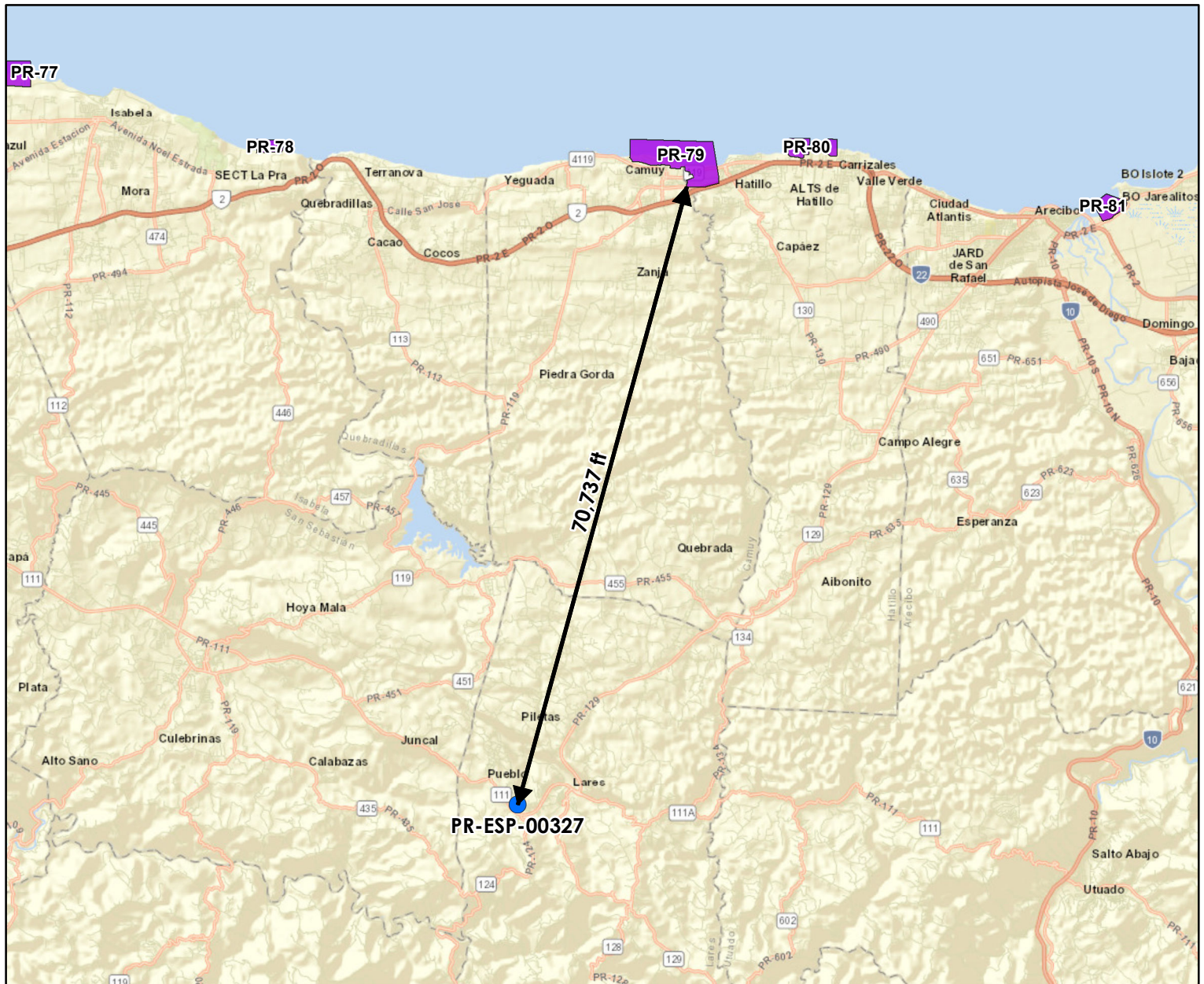


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Figure 3

# Coastal Barrier Resource System Map

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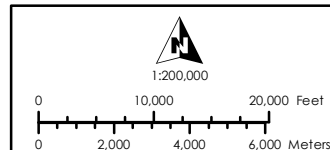
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## Coastal Barrier Resources System

Otherwise Protected Area

System Unit



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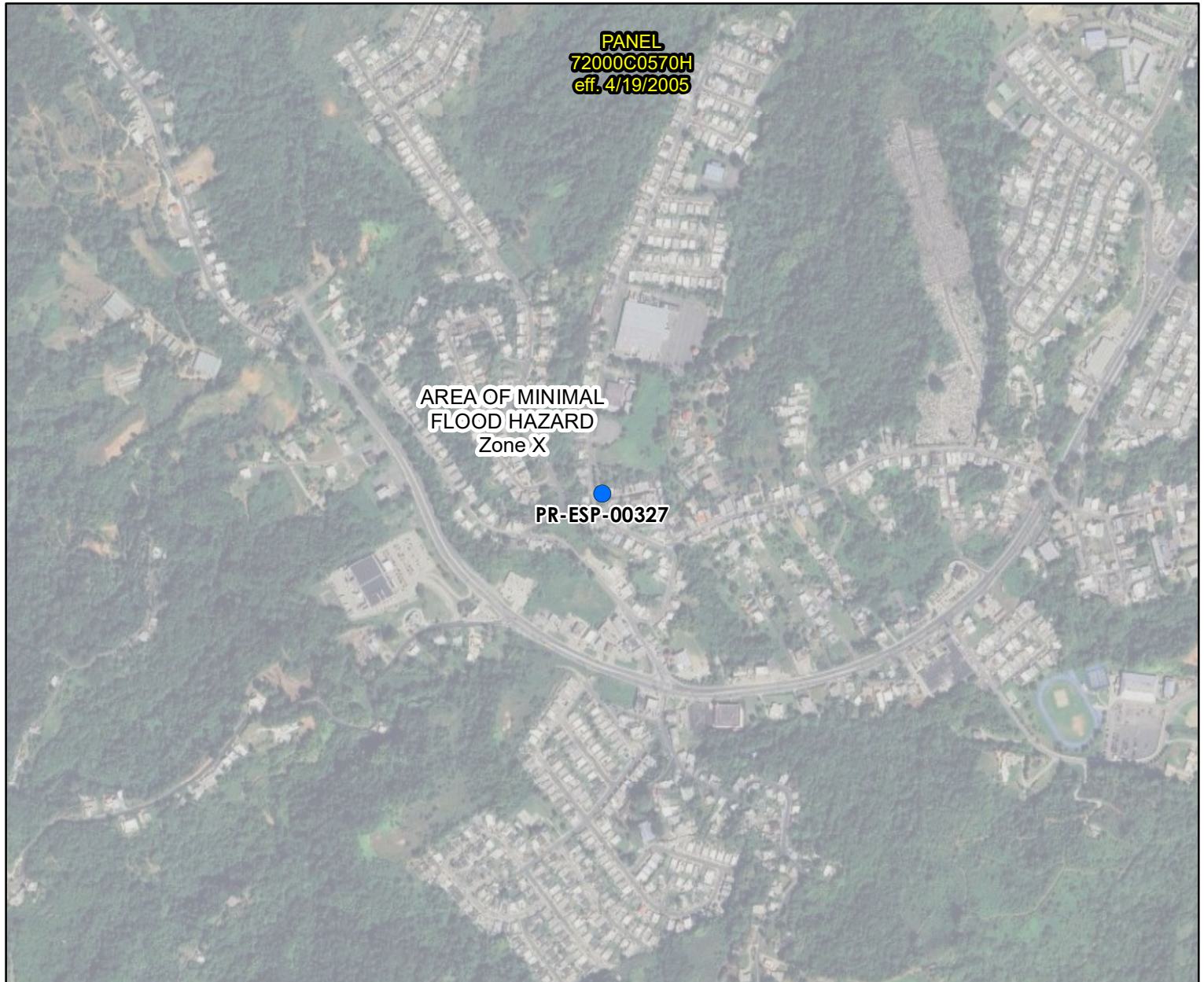


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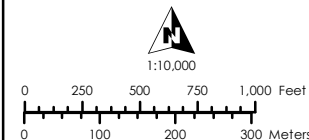
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## Legend:

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|--|---------|
| PR-ESP-00327                             | Zone A  |
| FIRM Panel                               | Zone AE |
| Floodway                                 | Zone AH |
| 0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard          | Zone AO |
| Zone D Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard | Zone VE |
|  | Zone X  |



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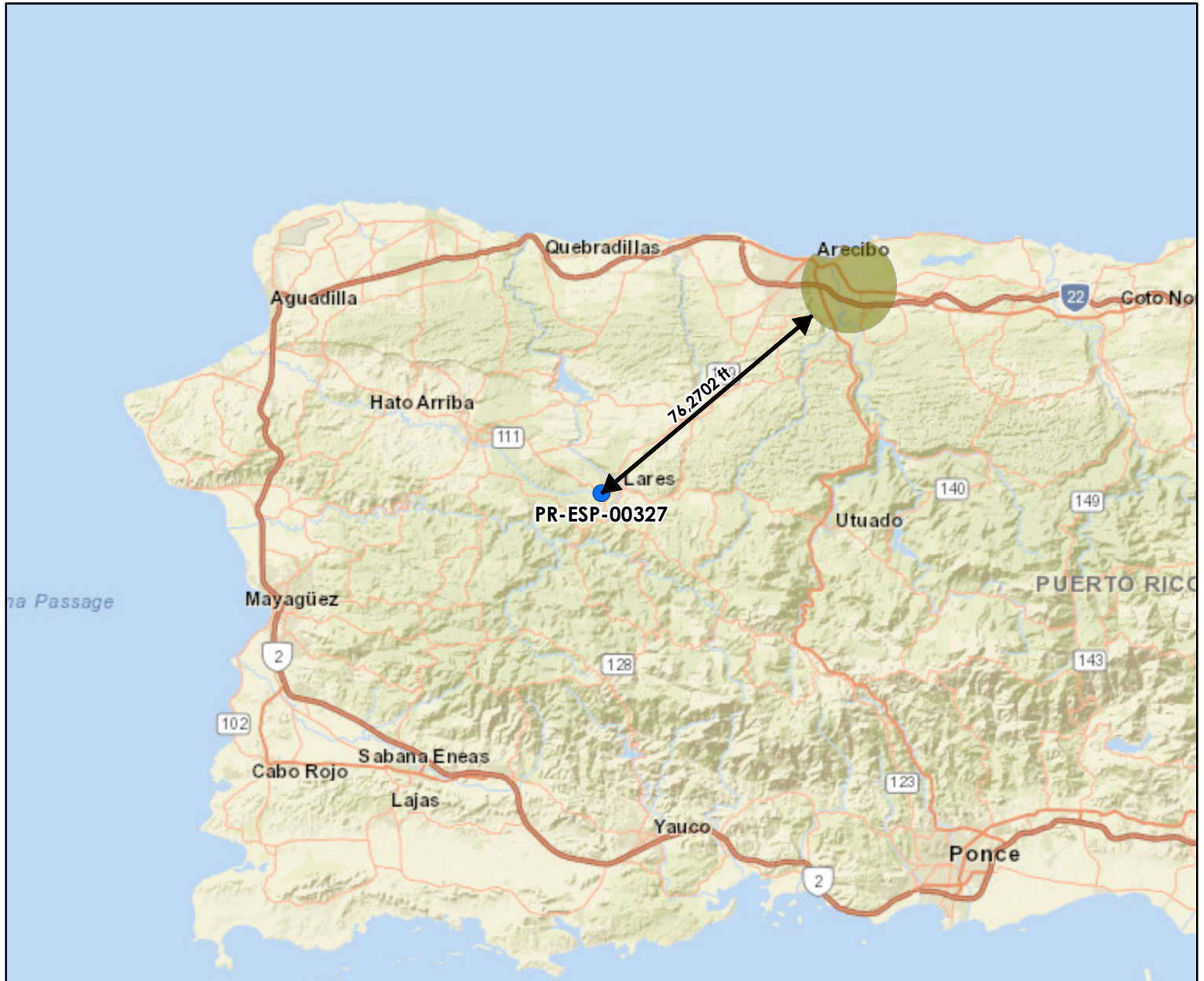


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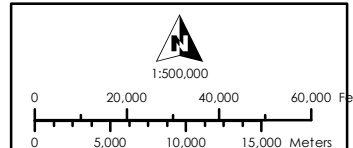
# Clean Air Map

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- Clean Air Areas - SO2
- Clean Air Areas - Lead



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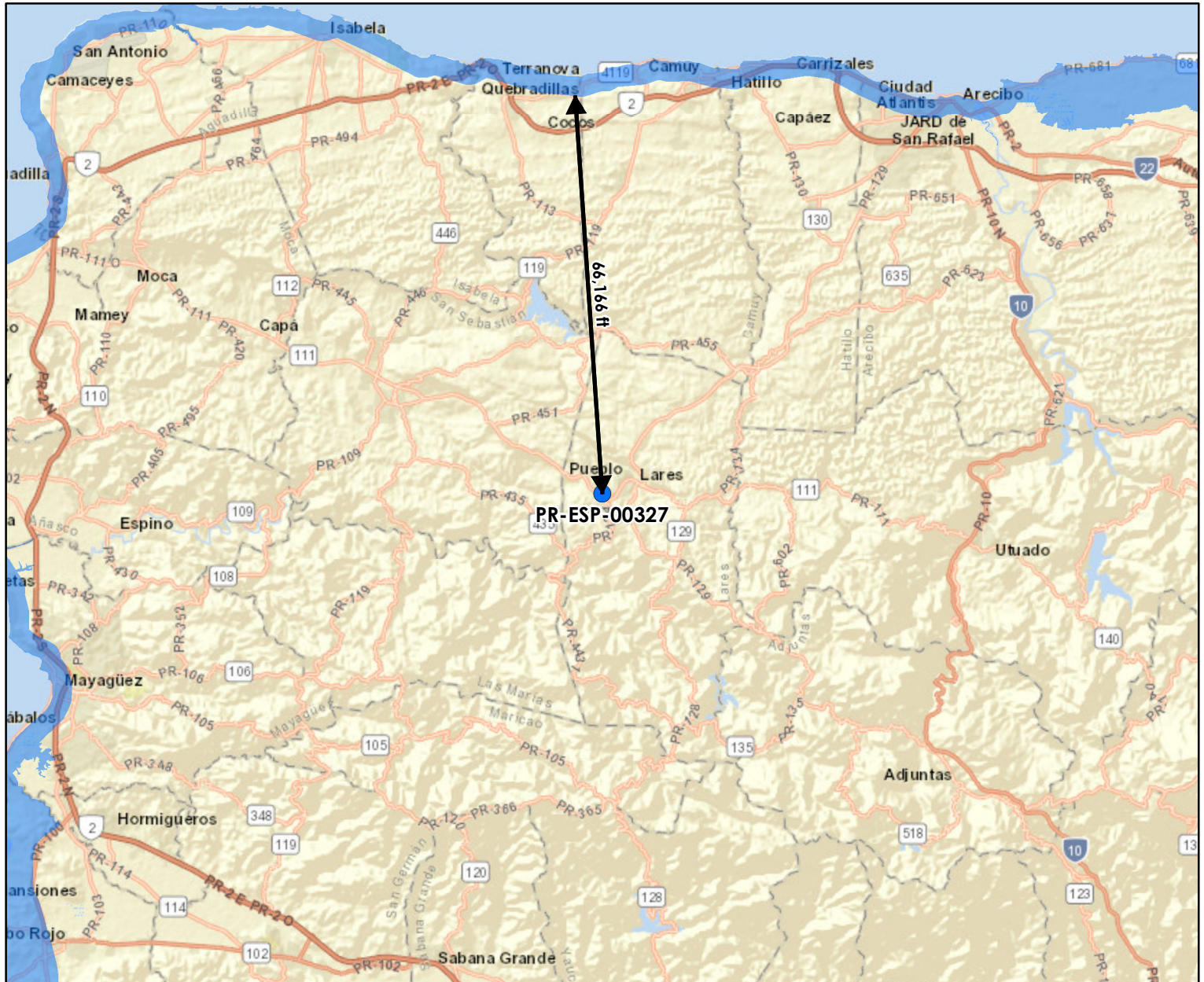


Figure 6

# Coastal Zone Management Map

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## Legend:



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Coastal Zone Management Act Boundary



1:300,000

0 5,000 10,000 15,000 20,000 25,000 Feet

0 3,000 6,000 9,000 Meters



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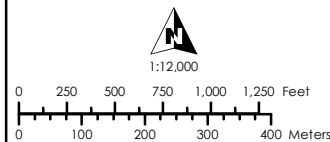
# Toxic and Hazardous Facilities Map

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## Legend:

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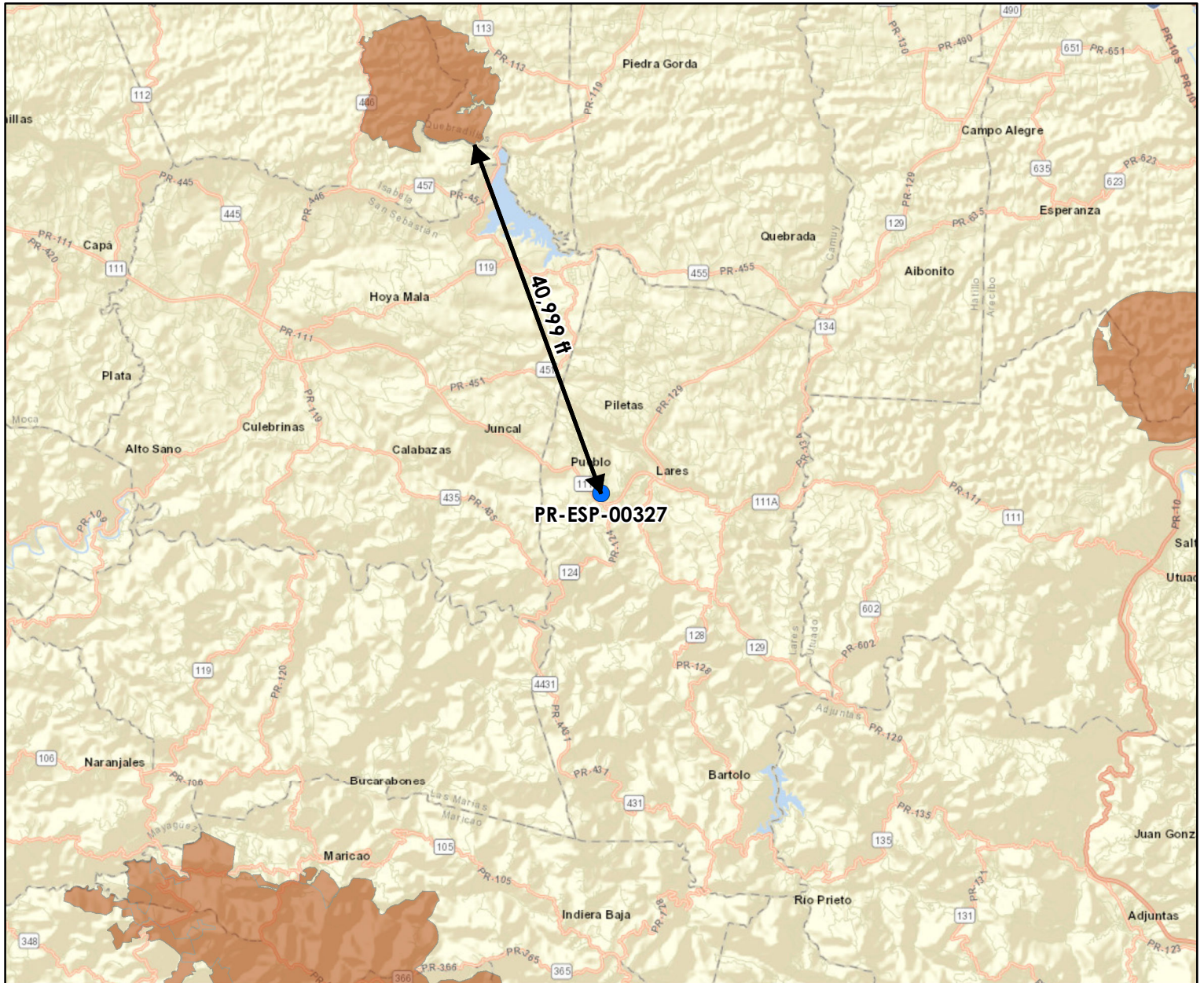
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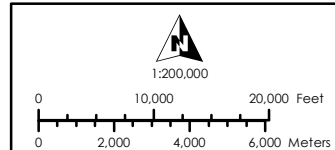
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Figure 8  
**Threatened and Endangered Species Map**  
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Figure 9

# Farmland Protection

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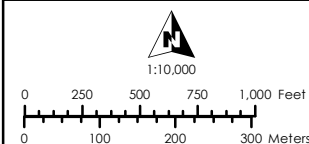


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### Farm Class

- All areas are prime farmland
- Farmland of statewide importance
- Not prime farmland



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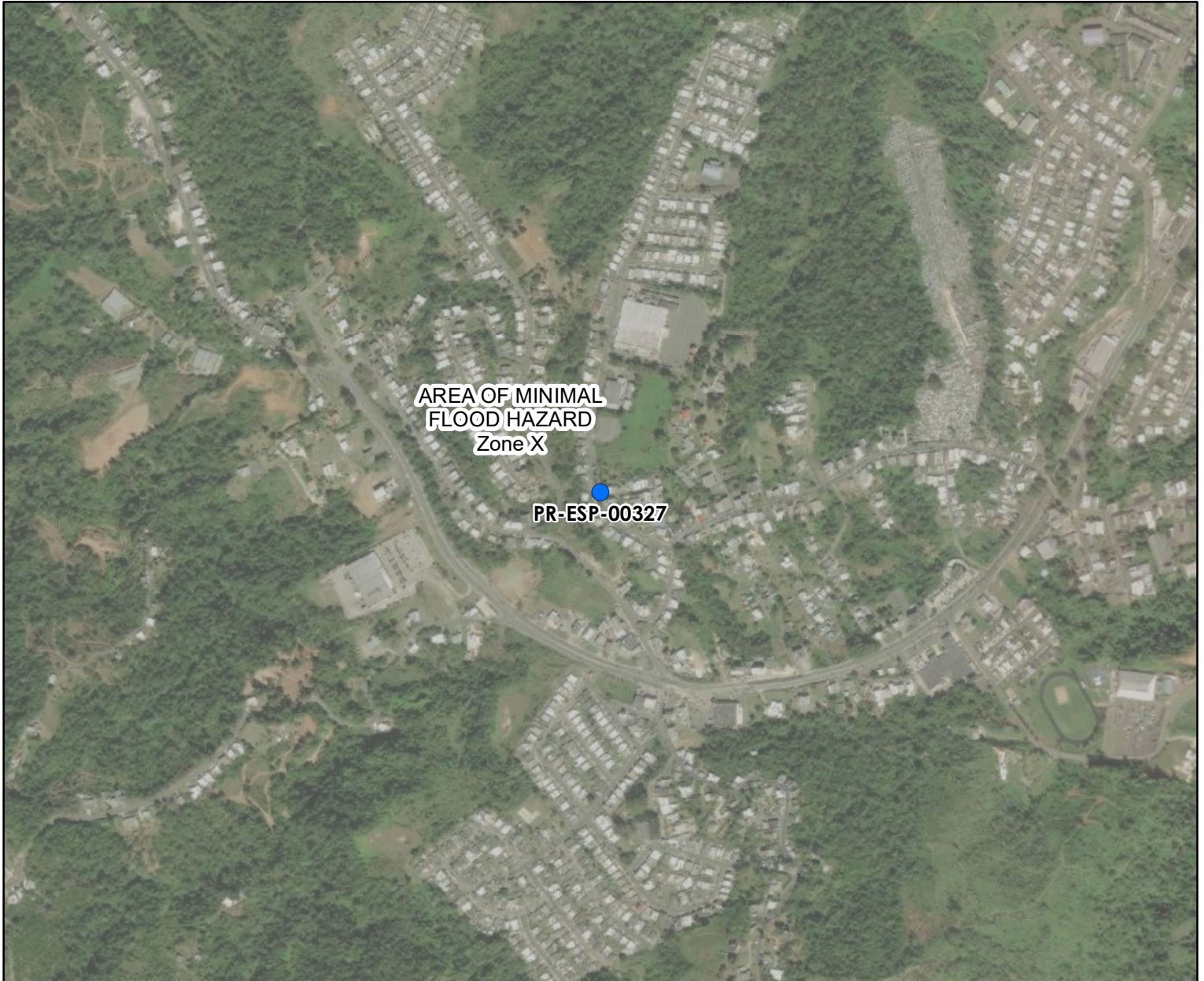


Figure 10

# Advisory Base Flood Elevation Map

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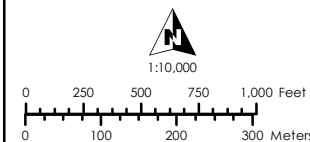


## Legend:

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- Area Potential Effect (Building Footprint)
- CRIM-Parcel
- Advisory Base Flood Elevations (ABFE)
- 0.2 % Annual Chance Flood
- 1 % Annual Chance Flood

## Flood Zone

- Zone A
- Zone AE
- Zone AO
- Zone VE
- Zone X - Area of Minimal Flood Hazard
- 0.2 % Annual Chance Flood
- 1 % Annual Chance Flood
- Floodway



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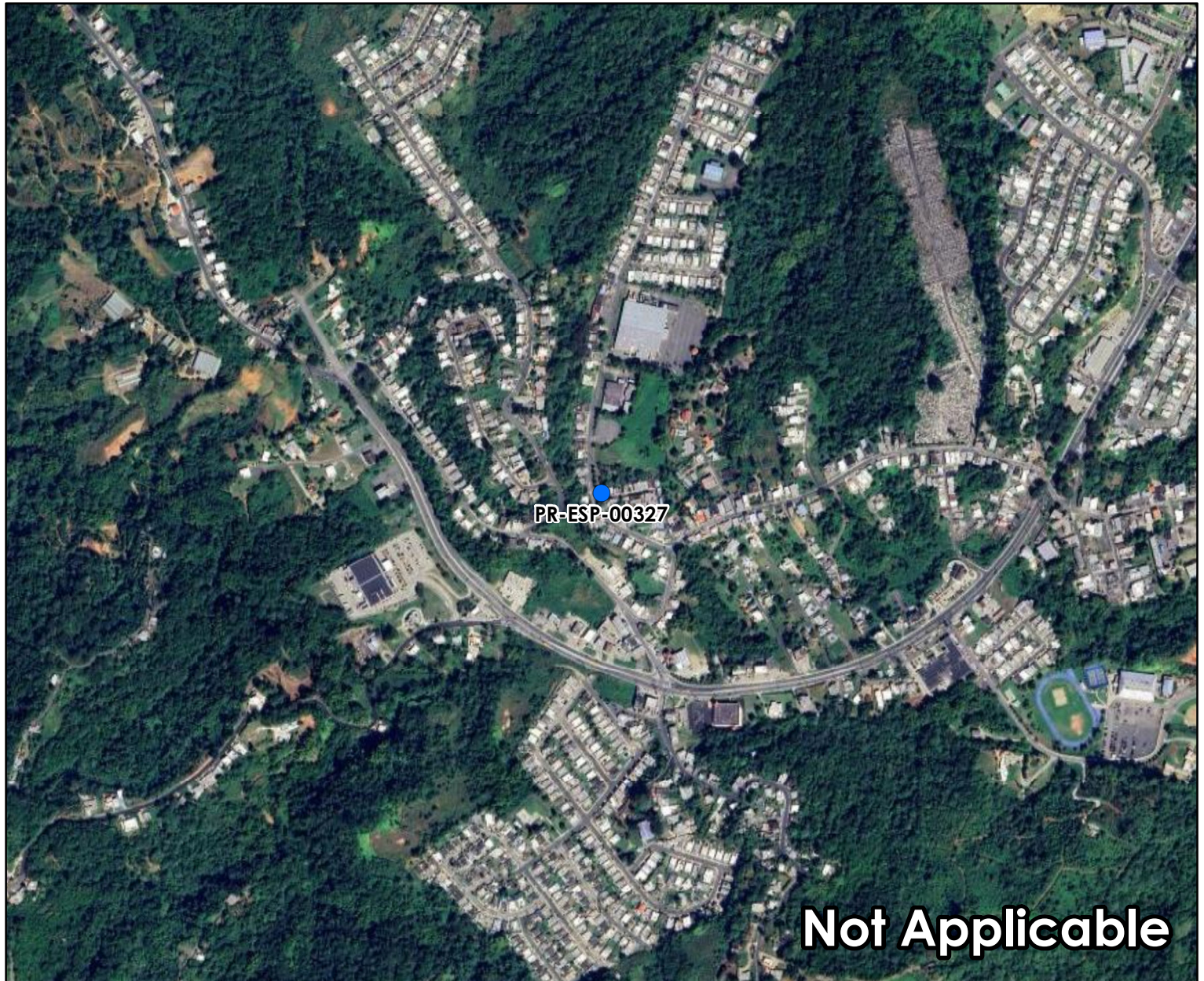
Figure 11

# Preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map

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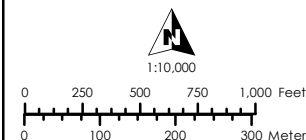
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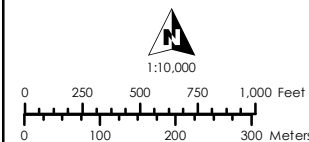
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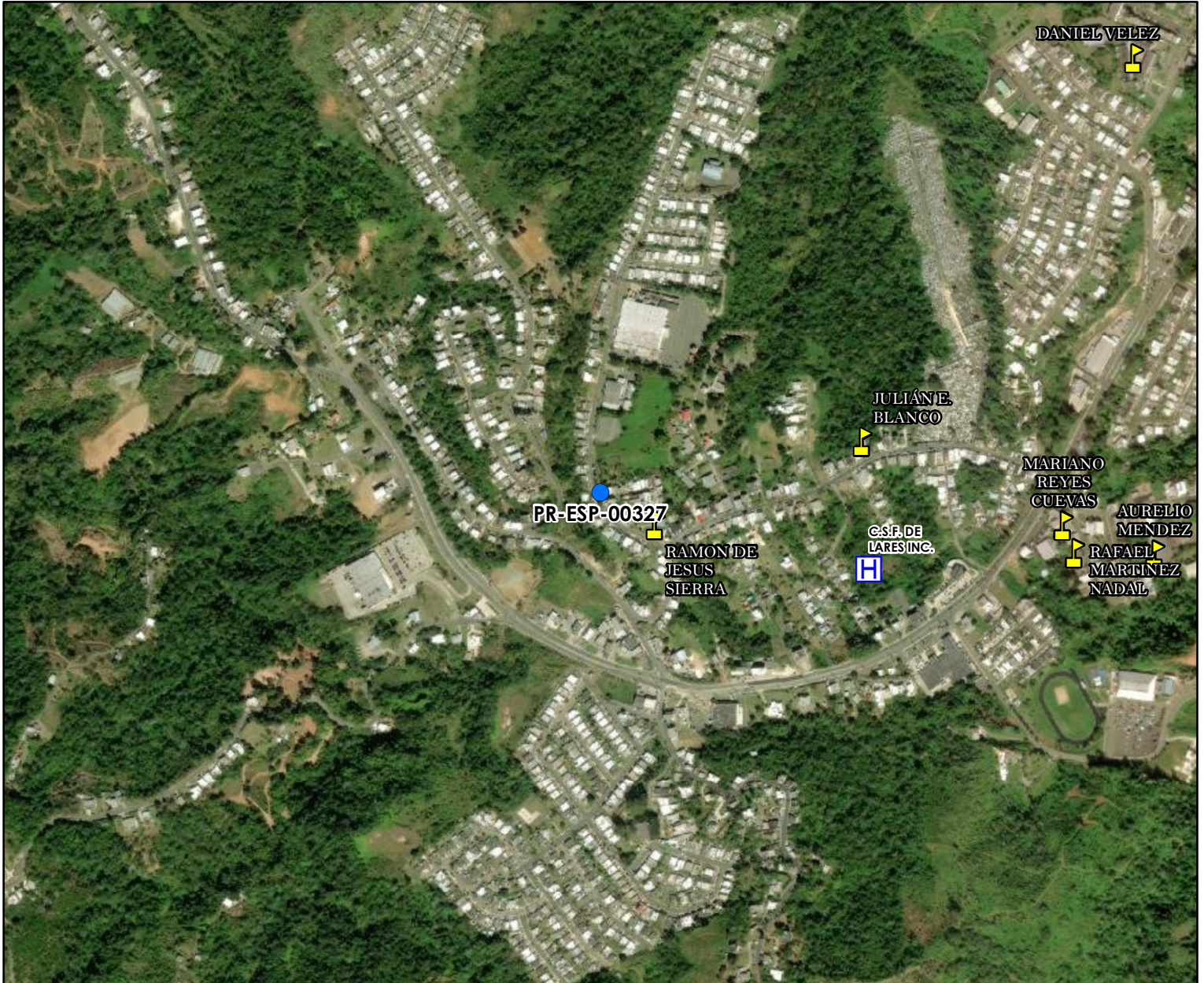


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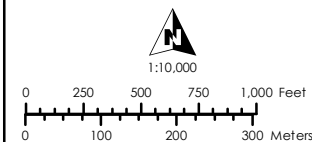
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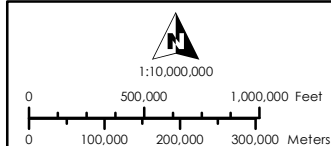
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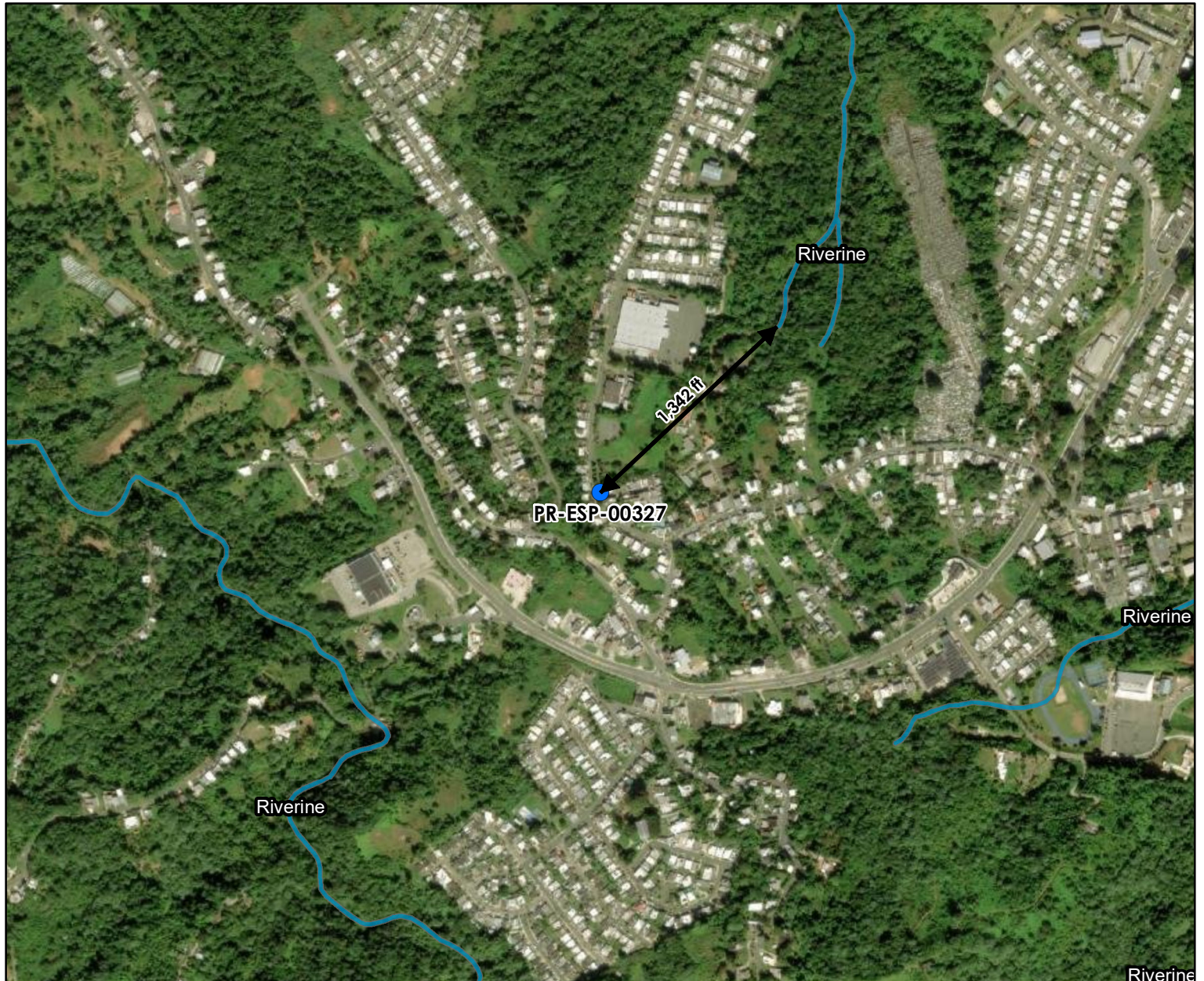


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Figure 15

# Wetlands Map

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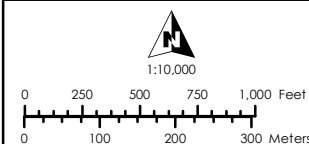


## Legend:

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### National Wetlands Inventory

|   |                                   |   |                 |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------|
|  | Estuarine and Marine Deepwater    |  | Freshwater Pond |
|  | Estuarine and Marine Wetland      |  | Lake            |
|  | Freshwater Emergent Wetland       |  | Riverine        |
|  | Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland |   |                 |



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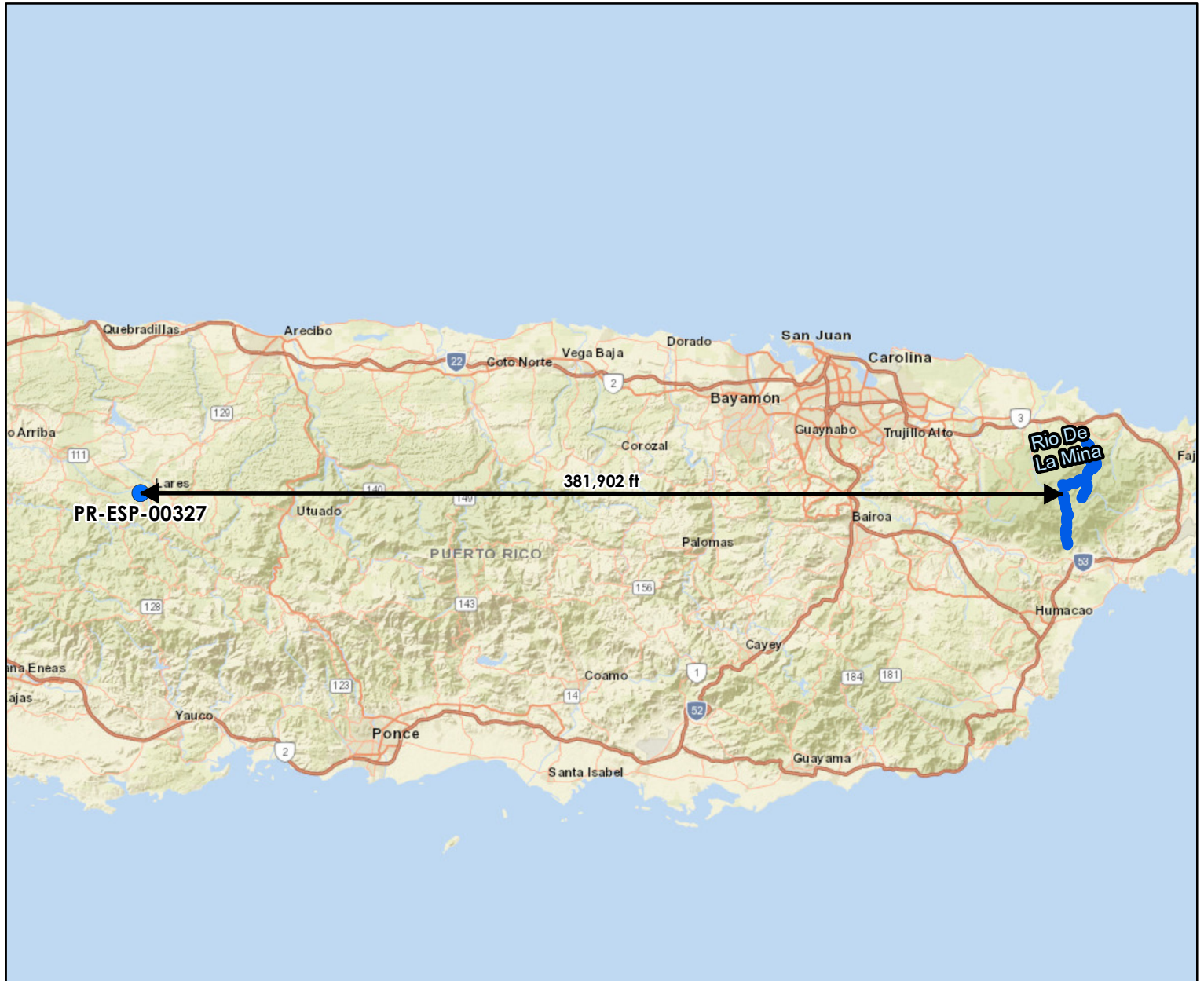


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# Wild and Scenic Rivers Map

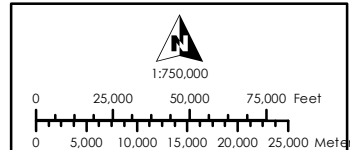
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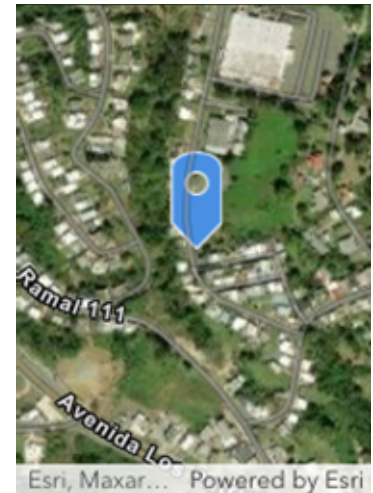
## **Appendix 2:** Field Visit Report



**Environmental Field Assessment Form - PR-ESP-00327**

**APPLICANT/LOCATION INFORMATION**

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| Applicant ID:   | PR-ESP-00327              |
| Applicant Name: | Colmado El Resuelve       |
| Parcel ID:      | 158-058-046-33-000        |
| Coordinates:    | 18.292940, -66.890803     |
| Street Address: | CALLE EMILIO CASTRO NUM 4 |
| Municipio:      | Lares                     |
| Zip Code:       | 00669                     |
| Site Inspector: | Egon Gonzalez             |
| Date of Visit:  | March 26, 2025            |
| Time of Visit:  | 14:54                     |
| Year Built:     | Circa 1960                |



**Building Information**

| Question   | Answer                     | Notes                      |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Location verified:  | Yes                        | 18.292940, -66.890803      |
| 2. Is the building correct on GIS?   | Yes                        | Building is correct on GIS |
| 3. Building Type:  | Commercial/<br>Residential |                            |
| 4. # of Stories:   | 2                          |                            |
| 5. Building Foundation:  | Concrete Slab              |                            |
| 6. Is the building in use?   | Yes                        | Building is in use         |
| 7. Does the building have a detached garage / carport present?   | No                         |                            |
| 8. Is the electricity connected?   | Yes                        | Electricity is connected   |
| 9. Is the water connected?   | Yes                        | Water is connected         |
| 10. Are there signs of poor housekeeping on site? (mounds of rubble, garbage, storm debris, solid waste, petroleum products, paint, pesticides, cleaning fluids, vehicle batteries, abandoned vehicles, pits, pools, ponds of hazardous substances, electrical equipment etc.) | No                         |                            |
| 11. Is a septic system present? If Yes report apparent condition.  | No                         |                            |
| 12. Are there any obvious signs of animals, birds nesting or burrows near the site?  | Yes                        |                            |



| Parcel Conditions   |        |   |
|---|--------|---|
| Question  | Answer | Notes   |
| 1) Are there any 55-gallon drums visible on site? If yes, are they leaking?   | Yes    | (6) 55gal Drums used to recycle aluminum cans located on left side of structure   |
| 2) Are there any (or signs of any) underground storage tanks on the property?   | No     |   |
| 3) Are there signs of AST on the parcel or adjacent parcel? If yes, list approximate size and contents, if known.   | Yes    | (18) 25lbs Propane tanks located on right side of structure and (1) 100lbs Propane tank located on left side of structure |
| 4) Is there any stained soil or pavement on the parcel?   | No     |   |
| 5) Are there any potentially hazardous trees that could fall?   | No     |   |
| 6) Are there any groundwater monitoring wells on the site or adjacent parcel?   | No     |   |
| 7) Is there distressed vegetation on the parcel?  | No     |   |
| 8) Are any additional environmental or non-environmental site hazards observed?   | No     |   |
| 9) Is there any permanent standing water, such as a pond or stream, located on the site(do not include ponding from recent rain / weather events)?            | No     |   |
| 10) Does the subject property have water frontage?  | No     |   |
| 11) Is the applicant aware of any significant historical event or persons associated with the structure, or of it being located in a historic district/ area? | No     |   |
| 12) Is a historic marker present?   | No     |   |
| 13) Based on the above finding, does additional information need to be obtained from the applicant to determine whether an environmental hazard is present?   | No     |   |



### Building Environmental Conditions

| Question   | Answer | Notes |
|--|--------|-------|
| 1. Is there any visible evidence of asbestos, chipping, and flaking or peeling paint, or hazardous materials present in or on the structure? | No     |       |
| 2. Is there any visible indication of mold?  | No     |       |
| 3. Are there any pungent, foul or noxious odors?   | No     |       |

### Additional Needs Analysis

| Question   | Answer | Notes |
|--|--------|-------|
| Based on the above findings, does additional information need to be obtained from the applicant to determine whether an environmental hazard is present? | No     |       |

☒ I verify that I have physically visited this property and that the findings outlined above are accurate.

Inspector Signature

Egon Gonzalez

March 26, 2025

**Front of Structure**

Photo Direction: East

Comments:



**Facing Away from Front**

Photo Direction: West

Comments:





**Side #1 of Structure**

Photo Direction: Southeast

Comments:



**Facing Away From Side #1**

Photo Direction: Northeast

Comments:





**Back of Structure**

Photo Direction: North

Comments:



**Facing Away from Back**

Photo Direction: Northeast

Comments:





**Side #2 of Structure**

Photo Direction: North

Comments:



**Facing Away from Side #2**

Photo Direction: Southeast

Comments:







### Streetscape #1

Photo Direction: South

Comments:



### Streetscape #2

Photo Direction: North

Comments:





Address

Photo Direction: East

Comments:









### Architectural Details 3

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: Proposed battery storage location



### Architectural Details 4

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: General interior view





### Architectural Details 5

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: General interior view



### Architectural Details 6

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: (6) 55gal Drums used to recycle aluminum cans located on left side of structure



### Architectural Details 7

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: (18) 25lbs  
Propane tanks located on right side  
of structure



### Architectural Details 8

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: Overview





### Architectural Details 9

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: (1) 100lbs  
Propane tank located at left side of  
structure



### Architectural Details 10

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: Additional back of  
structure view



## Appendix 3: Quote





3 de julio de 2024

Luis A Acevedo Jimenez  
DBA Colmado el Resuelve  
C Emilio Castro 4 BDA San Felipe  
Lares P.R. 00669

Sr. Acevedo

Gracias por la oportunidad de presentarle nuestra propuesta para su Sistema Fotovoltaico. Basado en la información que nos brinda sobre el consumo de energía que desea cubrir proponemos una solución costo efectiva la cual cumple con su necesidad.

| Calculo Sistema Fotovoltaico                                |        |
|---|--------|
| Mes   | kWh    |
| Julio   | 1,378  |
| Agosto  | 1,485  |
| Septiembre  | 1,471  |
| Octubre   | 1,578  |
| Noviembre   | 1,844  |
| Diciembre   | 1,675  |
| Enero   | 1,301  |
| Febrero   | 1,426  |
| Marzo   | 1,429  |
| Abril   | 1,496  |
| Mayo  | 1,425  |
| Junio   | 1,784  |
| Consumo Annual (kWh)  | 18,292 |
| Capacidad del sistema para cubrir<br>Consumo Annual (kW)    | 12.19  |
| Capacidad de sistema Propuesto (kW)                         | 12.80  |
| Produccion annual aproximada del<br>sistema propuesto (kWh) | 18,736 |



Nuestra propuesta es por **\$ 45,000.00** La misma incluye los siguientes equipos.

- (32) Paneles Solares 400W (o Similar)
- (2) Inversor Tesla Plus
- (1) Tesla Gateway
- (2) Batería Tesla PowerWall Plus
- (1) Desconectivo
- Unirac Racking System
- Instalación y Programación
- Diseño y Permisos para Medición Neta

| Costo del proyecto |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| PVS                | \$ 25,600.00        |
| BSS                | \$ 19,400.00        |
|                    |                     |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>\$ 45,000.00</b> |

Nota: Esta propuesta es preliminar y está basada en información recopilada vía telefónica. La misma puede variar según las condiciones de instalación a ser evaluadas en una visita.

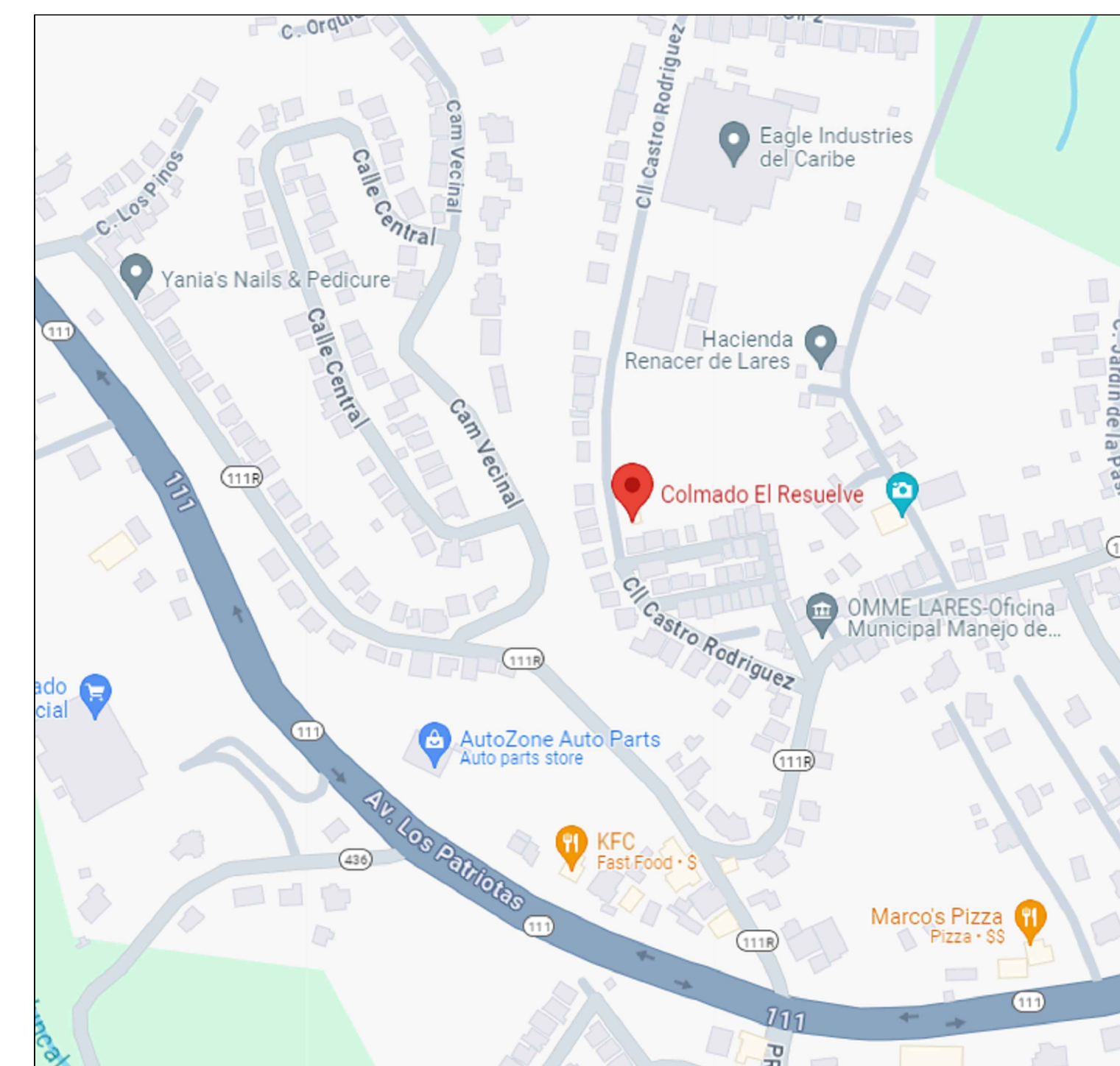
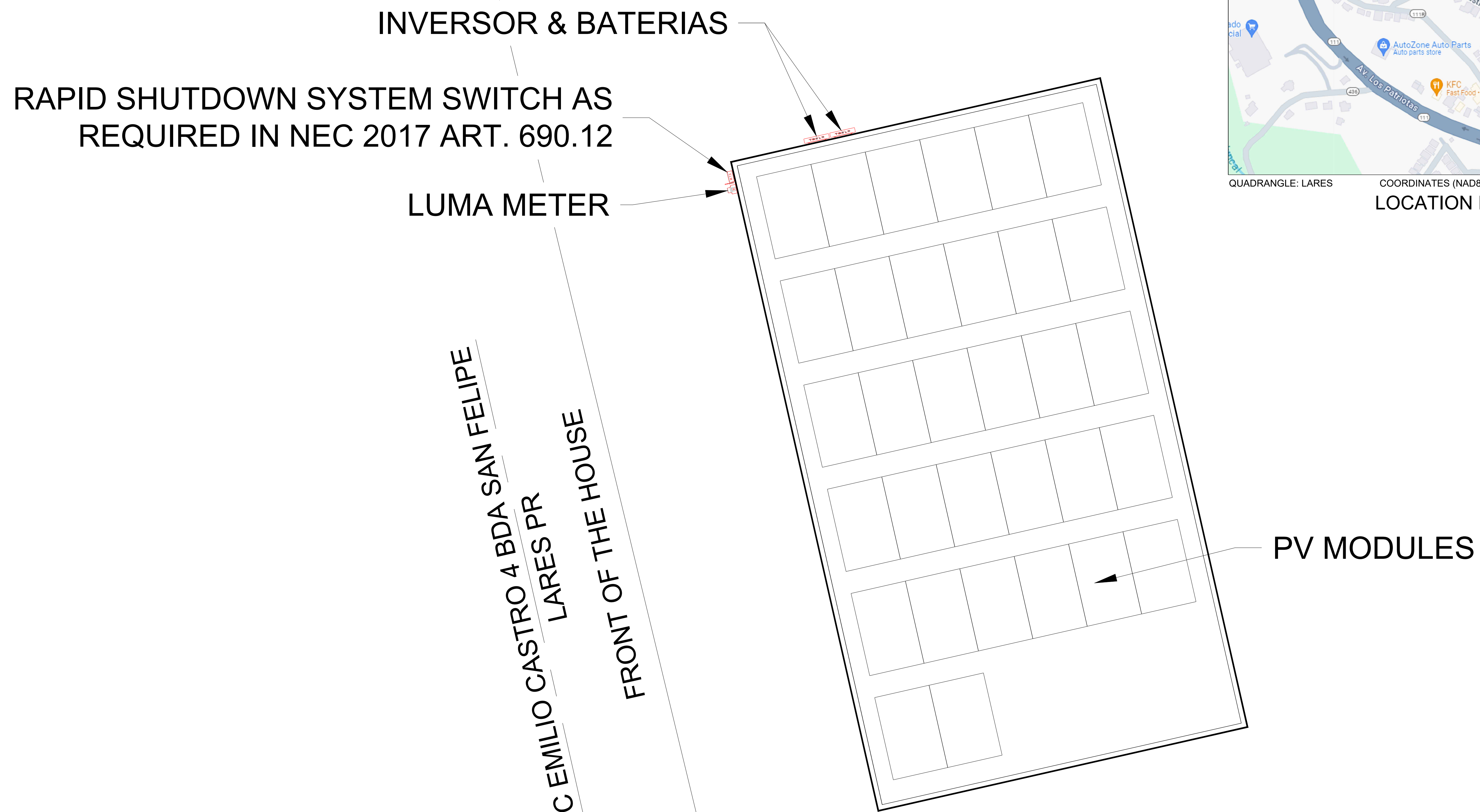
La garantía de los equipos es con el fabricante.

Cualquier pregunta al respecto no dude en comunicarse con nosotros, estamos en la mejor disposición para ayudarle a obtener el sistema que necesita.

Adjunto encontrará información adicional de los componentes del sistema.

Cordialmente,

Francisco Alemañy  
CEO



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**LOCATION MAP**



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**COLMADO EL RESUELVE**  
C EMILIO CASTRO 4 BDA SAN FELIPE  
LARES, PUERTO RICO 00669

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## **Appendix 4:** EPA's Published Summary of Non-attainment Areas Population Exposure Report & Status of Puerto Rico Designated Areas

EPA's Published Summary of Nonattainment Areas  
Population Exposure Report & Status of Puerto Rico  
Designated Areas





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## Summary Nonattainment Area Population Exposure Report

Data is current as of June 30, 2025

Ordered by state(s)

The NO<sub>2</sub> nonattainment area became a maintenance area on September 22, 1998. All Carbon Monoxide areas were redesignated to maintenance areas as of September 27, 2010. The 8-hour Ozone (1997) standard was revoked on April 6, 2015 and the 1-hour Ozone (1979) standard was revoked on June 15, 2005.

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| State(s) | General Area Name<br>(see note)                   | 2010 Population in 1000s (area count) |                     |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
|----------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|          |   | 8-Hour Ozone (2015)                   | 8-Hour Ozone (2008) | PM-2.5 (2012) | PM-2.5 (2006) | PM-2.5 (1997) | PM-10 (1987) | SO <sub>2</sub> (2010) | SO <sub>2</sub> (1971) | Lead (2008) | Lead (1978) |
| AK       | Fairbanks   |                                       |                     |               | 87(1)         |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| AZ       | Douglas/Paul Spur (Cochise County)                |                                       |                     |               |               |               | 17(1)        |                        |                        |             |             |
| AZ       | Hayden/Miami                                      |                                       |                     |               |               |               | 26(2)        | 20(2)                  | 5(1)                   | 5(1)        |             |
| AZ       | Nogales   |                                       |                     |               |               |               | 30(1)        |                        |                        |             |             |
| AZ       | Phoenix-Mesa                                      | 3,945(1)                              | 3,850(1)            |               |               |               | 3,853(1)     |                        |                        |             |             |
| AZ       | Rillito (Pima County)                             |                                       |                     |               |               |               | 1(1)         |                        |                        |             |             |
| AZ       | West Pinal  |                                       |                     |               | 52(1)         |               | 283(1)       |                        |                        |             |             |
| AZ       | Yuma  | 87(1)                                 |                     |               |               |               | 101(1)       |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | Amador and Calaveras Cos (Central Mountain Cos)   | 84(2)                                 | 46(1)               |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | Chico   | 220(1)                                | 220(1)              |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | Imperial County                                   | 175(1)                                | 175(1)              | 154(1)        | 154(1)        |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | Los Angeles-South Coast Air Basin                 | 15,704(3)                             | 15,723(3)           | 15,716(1)     | 15,716(1)     | 15,716(1)     |              |                        |                        | 9,437(1)    |             |
| CA       | Mariposa and Tuolumne Cos (Southern Mountain Cos) | 74(2)                                 | 18(1)               |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | Mono County                                       |                                       |                     |               |               |               | 0(1)         |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | Nevada County (Western Part)                      | 82(1)                                 | 82(1)               |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | Owens Valley                                      |                                       |                     |               |               |               | 7(1)         |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | Plumas County                                     |                                       |                     | 6(1)          |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | Sacramento Metro                                  | 2,240(1)                              | 2,241(1)            |               | 2,206(1)      |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | San Diego   | 3,077(1)                              | 3,095(1)            |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| CA       | San Francisco-Bay Area                            | 6,969(1)                              | 6,973(1)            |               | 6,971(1)      |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |

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| State(s)    | General Area Name<br>(see note)       | 2010 Population in 1000s (area count) |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|
|             |                                       | 8-Hour Ozone<br>(2015)                | 8-Hour Ozone<br>(2008) | PM-2.5<br>(2012) | PM-2.5<br>(2006) | PM-2.5<br>(1997) | PM-10<br>(1987) | SO <sub>2</sub><br>(2010) | SO <sub>2</sub><br>(1971) | Lead<br>(2008) | Lead<br>(1978) |
| MO          | Iron, Dent, and Reynolds Counties     |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           | 0(1)           |                |
| MO          | New Madrid County                     |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 | 0(1)                      |                           |                |                |
| MO-IL       | St. Louis                             | 2,488(1)                              |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           | 5(1)           | 3(1)           |
| MT          | Billings/Laurel                       |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           | 7(1)                      |                |                |
| MT          | Lame Deer                             |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  | 1(1)            |                           |                           |                |                |
| MT          | Polson (Lake County)                  |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  | 4(1)            |                           |                           |                |                |
| MT          | Ronan (Lake County)                   |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  | 3(1)            |                           |                           |                |                |
| NV          | Las Vegas                             | 1,892(1)                              |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
| NY          | Jamestown                             |                                       | 135(1)                 |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
| NY          | St. Lawrence County                   |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 | 12(1)                     |                           |                |                |
| NY-NJ-CT    | New York-N. New Jersey-Long Island    | 20,217(1)                             | 20,217(1)              |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
| OH          | Canton-Massillon                      |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           | 6(1)           |                |
| OH          | Cleveland-Akron-Elyria                | 2,780(1)                              |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
| OR          | Klamath Falls                         |                                       |                        |                  | 47(1)            |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
| PA          | Clearfield and Indiana Counties       |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 | 93(1)                     |                           |                |                |
| PA          | Lancaster                             |                                       | 519(1)                 |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
| PA          | Pittsburgh-New Castle                 |                                       | 2,356(1)               | 1,223(1)         | 21(1)            | 21(1)            |                 | 20(2)                     | 5(1)                      | 18(1)          |                |
| PA          | Reading                               |                                       | 411(1)                 |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           | 49(2)          |                |
| PA          | Warren County                         |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 | 18(1)                     |                           |                |                |
| PA-NJ       | Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton            |                                       | 712(1)                 |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
| PA-NJ-DE-MD | Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City | 7,437(1)                              | 7,634(2)               |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
| PR          | Arecibo                               |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           | 32(1)          |                |
| PR          | Guayama-Salinas                       |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 | 23(1)                     |                           |                |                |
| PR          | San Juan                              |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 | 275(1)                    |                           |                |                |
| TN          | Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol        |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 | 15(1)                     |                           |                |                |
| TX          | Dallas-Fort Worth                     | 6,202(1)                              | 6,280(1)               |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
| TX          | Fairfield                             |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 | 4(1)                      |                           |                |                |
| TX          | Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown            | 5,773(1)                              | 5,892(1)               |                  |                  |                  |                 |                           |                           |                |                |
| TX          | Howard County                         |                                       |                        |                  |                  |                  |                 | 0(1)                      |                           |                |                |

| State(s)  | General Area Name<br>(see note) | 2010 Population in 1000s (area count)              |                     |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
|---|---------------------------------|--|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|   |                                 | 8-Hour Ozone (2015)                                | 8-Hour Ozone (2008) | PM-2.5 (2012) | PM-2.5 (2006) | PM-2.5 (1997) | PM-10 (1987) | SO <sub>2</sub> (2010) | SO <sub>2</sub> (1971) | Lead (2008) | Lead (1978) |
| TX  | Hutchinson County               |  |                     |               |               |               |              | 15(1)                  |                        |             |             |
| TX  | Mount Pleasant                  |  |                     |               |               |               |              | 0(1)                   |                        |             |             |
| TX  | Navarro County                  |  |                     |               |               |               |              | 2(1)                   |                        |             |             |
| TX  | San Antonio                     | 1,715(1)   |                     |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| TX  | Tatum                           |  |                     |               |               |               |              | 2(1)                   |                        |             |             |
| TX-NM   | El Paso-Las Cruces              | 813(1)   |                     |               |               |               | 652(2)       |                        |                        |             |             |
| UT  | Provo                           | 516(1)   |                     |               | 518(1)        |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| UT  | Salt Lake City                  | 1,616(1)   |                     |               | 1,665(1)      |               |              |                        | 1,030(1)               |             |             |
| UT  | Tooele County                   |  |                     |               |               |               |              |                        | 58(1)                  |             |             |
| UT  | Uinta Basin                     | 47(1)  |                     |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| VA  | Giles County                    |  |                     |               |               |               |              | 0(1)                   |                        |             |             |
| WI  | Milwaukee-Racine                | 1,648(1)   |                     |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| WI  | Sheboygan                       | 68(1)  |                     |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| WV-OH   | Parkersburg-Marietta            |  |                     |               |               |               |              | 4(1)                   |                        |             |             |
| WY  | Upper Green River Basin         |  | 11(1)               |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
|   |                                 | 2010 Population in 1000s (area count) by Pollutant |                     |               |               |               |              |                        |                        |             |             |
| Total Estimated 2010 Population in Nonattainment Areas (1000's) |                                 | 8-Hour Ozone (2015)                                | 8-Hour Ozone (2008) | PM-2.5 (2012) | PM-2.5 (2006) | PM-2.5 (1997) | PM-10 (1987) | SO <sub>2</sub> (2010) | SO <sub>2</sub> (1971) | Lead (2008) | Lead (1978) |
| Across All Criteria Pollutants: 121,102                         |                                 | 114,981 (46)                                       | 90,288 (34)         | 20,942 (5)    | 31,280 (11)   | 19,579 (3)    | 5,605 (20)   | 1,900 (28)             | 1,106 (7)              | 9,561 (11)  | 3 (1)       |

The Summary Population Exposure Report is a summary of the population living in an area that is in nonattainment for at least one of the NAAQS.

#### Area Name:

The "State(s) Area Name" column contains a common or general name for the nonattainment areas on the row, but may not reflect the exact name of any area on the row. This column cannot be exact since the nonattainment area for one pollutant may not contain the same counties, cities, or states as the nonattainment area for another pollutant on the same row. The abbreviations listed in the "State(s)" column reflect all states identified in row. However, some states on a row may be nonattainment for some pollutants and not for others in the general area. A multi-state area with states that have not all been redesignated to maintenance is counted as a nonattainment area until all of the states in the area are redesignated, with the whole area population displayed.

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# Puerto Rico Nonattainment/Maintenance Status for Each County by Year for All Criteria Pollutants

Data is current as of June 30, 2025

Listed by County, NAAQS, Area. The 8-hour Ozone (1997) standard was revoked on April 6, 2015 and the 1-hour Ozone (1979) standard was revoked on June 15, 2005.

\* The 1997 Primary Annual PM-2.5 NAAQS (level of 15 µg/m<sup>3</sup>) is revoked in attainment and maintenance areas for that NAAQS. For additional information see the PM-2.5 NAAQS SIP Requirements Final Rule, effective October 24, 2016. (81 FR 58009)

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| County             | NAAQS                 | Area Name            | Nonattainment in Year                | Redesignation to Maintenance | Classification | Whole or/ Part County | Population (2010) | State/ County FIPS Codes |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| PUERTO RICO        |                       |                      |                                      |                              |                |                       |                   |                          |
| Arecibo Municipio  | Lead (2008)           | Arecibo, PR          | 111213141516171819202122232425       | //                           |                | Part                  | 32,185            | 72/013                   |
| Bayamon Municipio  | Sulfur Dioxide (2010) | San Juan, PR         | 1819202122232425                     | //                           |                | Part                  | 22,921            | 72/021                   |
| Catano Municipio   | Sulfur Dioxide (2010) | San Juan, PR         | 1819202122232425                     | //                           |                | Whole                 | 28,140            | 72/033                   |
| Guaynabo Municipio | PM-10 (1987)          | Mun. of Guaynabo, PR | 929394959697989900010203040506070809 | 02/11/2010                   | Moderate       | Part                  | 90,470            | 72/061                   |
| Guaynabo Municipio | Sulfur Dioxide (2010) | San Juan, PR         | 1819202122232425                     | //                           |                | Part                  | 23,802            | 72/061                   |
| Salinas Municipio  | Sulfur Dioxide (2010) | Guayama-Salinas, PR  | 1819202122232425                     | //                           |                | Part                  | 23,401            | 72/123                   |
| San Juan Municipio | Sulfur Dioxide (2010) | San Juan, PR         | 1819202122232425                     | //                           |                | Part                  | 147,963           | 72/127                   |
| Toa Baja Municipio | Sulfur Dioxide (2010) | San Juan, PR         | 1819202122232425                     | //                           |                | Part                  | 52,441            | 72/137                   |

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| Area                    | Status            | Designa<br>tion<br>Date | Classifica<br>tion | 2010<br>Populati<br>on<br>(state por<br>tion) | Meet<br>s<br>NAA<br>QS<br>Basis | Design<br>Value<br>Annual<br>( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )<br>(entire are<br>a) | Meets<br>NAAQS | SIP<br>Requirem<br>ents<br>Original/<br>Approved | Clean Air<br>Determin<br>ation<br>Citation<br>Effective<br>Date<br><a href="#">Click to<br/>view<br/>FR notice</a> | Redesigna<br>tion<br>Request<br>Date | Redesigna<br>tion<br>Effective<br>Date<br><a href="#">Click to<br/>view<br/>FR notice</a> |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---|---------------------------------|--|----------------|--|--|--------------------------------------|---|
| <a href="#">Arecibo</a> | Nonattain<br>ment | 12/31/2<br>011          |                    | 32,185  | 201<br>7-<br>201<br>9           | 0.18   | No             | 6 / 6  |  |                                      |   |

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**Puerto Rico Ozone-8Hr (2008) Areas** [Return to map](#) [Top of page](#)

No designated areas for this pollutant.

**Puerto Rico Ozone-8Hr (2015) Areas** [Return to map](#) [Top of page](#)

No designated areas for this pollutant.

**Puerto Rico PM-10 (1987) Areas** [Return to map](#) [Top of page](#)

| <a href="#">Click on the Area name to view SIP Requirements</a><br>Area | Status      | Designation Date | Classification | 2010 Population (state portion) | Meets NAAQS Basis | Average Estimated Exceedances (est. exc.) (entire area) | Meets NAAQS       | SIP Requirements Original/Approved | Clean Air Determination Citation Effective Date <a href="#">Click to view FR notice</a> | Redesignation Request Date | Redesignation Citation Effective Date <a href="#">Click to view FR notice</a> |
|---|-------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|
| <a href="#">Guaynabo County</a>   | Maintenance | 11/15/1990       | Moderate       | 90,470                          | 2017-2019         |   | Insufficient Data | 3 / 3                              |   | 03/31/2009                 | 02/11/2010 <a href="#">75 FR 1543</a>   |

**Puerto Rico PM-2.5 (1997) Areas** [Return to map](#) [Top of page](#)

No designated areas for this pollutant.

**Puerto Rico PM-2.5 (2006) Areas** [Return to map](#) [Top of page](#)

No designated areas for this pollutant.

**Puerto Rico PM-2.5 (2012) Areas** [Return to map](#) [Top of page](#)

No designated areas for this pollutant.

**Puerto Rico SO2 (1971) Areas** [Return to map](#) [Top of page](#)

No designated areas for this pollutant.

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| <a href="#">Click on the Area name to view SIP Required Elements</a> | Area | Status        | Designation Date | Classification | 2010 Population (state portion) | Meets NAAQS Basis | 3 Year 1-Hour Design Value (ppb) (entire area) | Meets NAAQS | SIP Requirements Original/ Approved | Clean Air Determination Citation Effective Date <a href="#">Click to view FR notice</a> | Redesignation Request Date | Redesignation Citation Effective Date <a href="#">Click to view FR notice</a> |
|--|------|---------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|-------------|-------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|
| <a href="#">Guayama-Salinas</a>                                      |      | Nonattainment | 04/09/2018       |                | 23,401                          | 2017-2019         |  | No Data     | 6 / 0                               |   |                            |   |
| <a href="#">San Juan</a>   |      | Nonattainment | 04/09/2018       |                | 275,267                         | 2017-2019         |  | No Data     | 6 / 0                               |   |                            |   |

We have made our best effort to ensure that the data contained in these reports is accurate. We note that there may be brief delays in updating the reports as we receive new state submissions and we take rulemaking action on plans. In order to assist us in providing accurate information, we request that you contact us by clicking on the "Contact Us" link near the top of this page with any comments regarding or corrections to the posted information, including concerns about whether the entries reflect the most recent status.

Current and historical design value data can be found on the [EPA Air Quality Design Values website](#) and the [EPA Green Book](#) contains comprehensive nonattainment area, designation status, and historical information.

The level of the 1-hour NAAQS for sulfur dioxide is 75 parts per billion (ppb) calculated as the 3-year average of the 99th percentile of the annual distribution of daily maximum 1-hour average concentrations.



## **Appendix 5:** RADON Memo to file and supporting documentations



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## Memorandum to File

**Date:** July 1, 2025

**From:** Patricia Carmenatty Santiago  
Environmental Specialist  
Behar Ybarra & Associates LLC  
CDBG-DR Program  
Electrical Power Reliability and Resilience Program (ER2)  
Puerto Rico Department of Housing

**Application Number:** PR-ESP-00327

**Project:** Colmado El Resuelve

### **Re: Justification for the Infeasibility and Impracticability of Radon Testing**

After reviewing Application Number PR-ESP-00327 under the Electrical Power Reliability and Resilience Program (ER2), administered by the Puerto Rico Department of Housing (**PRDOH**), to complete the property's contamination analysis in accordance with 24 C.F.R. § 50.3(i) and 24 C.F.R. § 58.5(i), we have determined that testing the property's radon levels is infeasible and impracticable.

Per the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (**HUD**) CPD Notice 23-103, the recommended best practices and alternative options for radon testing are infeasible and impracticable in this case due to the following reasons:

- As required by the CPD Notice 23-103, the scientific data reviewed in lieu of testing must consist of a minimum of ten documented test results over the previous ten years. If there are less than ten documented results over this period, it is understood that there is a lack of scientific data. The latest report

for radon testing in Puerto Rico was prepared in 1995 by the U.S. Department of the Interior in Cooperation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. No other completed studies and reports on radon testing are available in Puerto Rico.

- There is no available science-based or state-generated information for Puerto Rico for the last ten years that can be used to determine whether the project site is in a high-risk area. The Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (**CDC**), National Environmental Public Health Tracking, and Radon Testing map do not include Puerto Rico data.
- There are only two (2) licensed professionals in Puerto Rico who can conduct radon testing using the American National Standards Institute/American Association of Radon Scientists and Technologists (**ANSI/AARST**) testing standards, which makes it difficult, time-consuming, and highly expensive to coordinate and secure a site visit for the contamination evaluation.
- Do-it-yourself (**DIY**) radon test kits are known to be unreliable in assuring and controlling the quality of the test results; they are not readily available in Puerto Rico, and the cost and time required for purchasing and sending them for analysis are unreasonable when weighed against the results' reliability and the need for prompt results.
- Local authorities in Puerto Rico do not have the specialized radon monitoring equipment or trained staff needed to conduct the radon testing analysis and ensure proper quality control and quality assurance practices are adhered to. We also do not have a radiation laboratory certified for radon testing.
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As part of the evaluation for this determination, PRDOH sent information requests to six (6) local agencies at the state and federal levels. We received responses from the following agencies:

- United States Geological Survey;
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- Puerto Rico Department of Health; and
- United States Environmental Protection Agency.

The agencies mentioned above confirmed the lack of scientific data on Radon testing for Puerto Rico and the technical difficulties that we face to comply with HUD's Radon testing requirement. For the above-mentioned reasons, Radon testing is infeasible and impracticable for this property, and no further consideration of Radon is needed for the environmental review.



August 20, 2024

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Sincerely,

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**Cc:** Kostak, Liana (CDC/PHIC/DPS); Vazquez, Germaine (CDC/NCEH/DEHSP)  
**Subject:** RE: REHi: Puerto Rico Request for Information- Randon testing and levels

Good morning, Sandra and others,

In response to the request from Mr. William Rodriguez of the Department of Housing, Government of Puerto Rico, I have reviewed all the available data within the CDC National Environmental Public Health Tracking Network system for data related to radon in Puerto Rico. In addition to the tracking data available on the internet, I also reached out to Mr. Aaron Vinson of the NCEH Tracking Branch.

I was not able to find any data in the CDC systems and this was confirmed by Mr. Vinson. We also reached out the US Environmental Protection Agency who indicated they had no radon data in their systems. Please relay this information to Mr. Rodriguez in your response to his requests

If you have any additional questions, please contact me.

Thank you and best regards,

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Dear Ms. Medina Smaine,

In the early 1990s the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) conducted geologic assessments of radon potential for all 50 states and the territories of Guam and Puerto Rico, in collaboration with the U.S. EPA. I conducted the geologic radon potential assessment for Puerto Rico. The PDF file of the report is too large to attach to this message but it can be obtained at <https://pubs.usgs.gov/of/1993/0292k/report.pdf>. The USGS did not conduct indoor radon testing and we did not conduct field studies associated with this assessment; it was based on existing data. Mr. David Saldana of the Puerto Rico Department of Health kindly provided us with data for 610 homes that were tested for indoor radon by his agency between 1993 and 1995, which are summarized in the report. I am not aware of any other radon-related geologic studies conducted in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico by the U.S. Geological Survey.

Best regards,

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**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] Request for Information- Radon testing and levels

Good afternoon. Ms. Medina

I regret to inform that we do not have any recent information on radon testing, since we do not have a certified radiation laboratory certified for radon testing. There are companies that sell test kits available online that can be done and mailed to a testing laboratory. There are also lists of radon contractors and these companies that process radon testing cartridges with instructions, on the Environmental Protection Agency Indoor air Quality web page. The last radon study in Puerto Rico done by the PR Department of Health was done on the year 1993.

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Saludos.

La EPA esta trabajando una respuesta a su petición. Se sometió borrador a la directora y el subdirector para su aprobación y firma.

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**Subject:** Re: Request for Information- Randon testing and levels

Estimada Melanie Medina

Quería dejarle saber que recibimos su correo el 21 de agosto al igual que el de Maritza Rosa el pasado 4 de septiembre. Ya las personas involucradas de EPA, junto conmigo y el Dr. Marín estamos al tanto del asunto y estamos trabajando para poder enviarles la información.

Atentamente

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CARIBBEAN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

September 23, 2024

**VIA EMAIL**

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**RE: EPA Response to August 20, 2024 request for information of data on radon testing and levels in Puerto Rico**

Dear Honorable Secretary Rodriguez Rodriguez:

This communication is in response to your letter of August 20, 2024 addressed to the Puerto Rico Department of Natural and Environmental Resources (DNER) and referred to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding available data on radon testing and levels within Puerto Rico.

EPA's National Radon Action Plan 2021–2025 sets a goal for the nation to find, fix and prevent high indoor radon levels in 8 million buildings by 2025 and prevent 3,500 lung cancer deaths per year. Under this Plan, leaders from across multiple sectors are working together to plan, guide, and sustain nationwide action to prevent exposure to radon.

Due to the lack of data in Puerto Rico, EPA undertook an investigation in collaboration with the University of Puerto Rico-Mayaguez (UPRM) Campus, Departments of Civil Engineering and Surveying and Mechanical Engineering, to find out if radon presented a problem in Puerto Rico. Up until 2021, the only data we had for Puerto Rico was a 1993-1995 mail-in radon screening study referred to by the U.S. Geological Survey report (USGS, 1995) in which the USGS concluded that several areas of Puerto Rico have the geologic potential to generate indoor radon levels exceeding the EPA Action Level of 4 pCi/L (picocuries per liter), perhaps locally reaching very high levels above 50 pCi/L, if a house construction and

ventilation allow for soil-gas radon to enter and concentrate within the structure.<sup>1</sup> According to the USGS report, most of these areas are located in the northwest part of the island. Please note that the actual 1993-1995 study documentation is not available to the EPA.

Typical radon testing technology used in mainland United States (charcoal canisters or electric-powered devices) are impractical in Puerto Rico because of high humidity and power outages. The recovery and rebuilding of communities following the aftermath of 2017 Hurricanes Irma and Maria presented an opportunity to develop radon prevention and mitigation strategies in 2019. Initially, EPA sampled indoor radon air in over 170 single-family residences in the municipalities of San Sebastian, Lares, Ciales, Arecibo, Morovis, Camuy, and Hatillo and later expanded the project to other municipalities such as Rincon, Aguada, Aguadilla, Isabela, Quebradillas, Barceloneta and Vega Baja. The quality assurance protocols were anchored in American National Standards Institute/American Association of Radon Scientists and Technologists (ANSI/AARST) standards of practice (ANSI/AARS, 2019). The sampling was designed in two stages: scoping and confirmatory sampling. The scoping sampling was conducted using Corentium Home (CH) electronic monitors and E-Perm systems. Locations measuring above the EPA Action Level of 4 pCi/L with CH were measured at the second stage of the sampling using RAD7 and Corentium Pro Continuous Radon Monitors (CRMs). Nationally certified radon sampling professionals led by one such professional from the UPRM conducted confirmatory sampling in the second stage. Also, during the study, the nationally certified radon mitigation professionals inspected several homes with elevated indoor radon levels.

Mapping radon in Puerto Rico proved to be a complicated endeavor given the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020. EPA and UPRM continue to work on the project, however, results have not been finalized, and no scientific report has been published yet. Unfortunately, EPA cannot share preliminary data at this time because it contains privileged information. Nevertheless, preliminary data from the study does show homes with levels over 4 pCi/L (EPA Action Level) that might need mitigation to protect the health of their inhabitants.

Although many states have developed laws and regulations governing radon disclosure, certification, and mitigation, Puerto Rico lacks legislation or mandatory radon testing provisions for new construction, remodeling, selling or buying homes. Given this loophole and aiming to answer your request, the EPA can provide information on Best Management Practices for sampling indoor radon in Puerto Rico.

<sup>1</sup> Reference: USGS. Geologic Radon Potential of Guam and Puerto Rico, Report 93-292-K. Washington, DC: USGS. Retrieved 9/11/2024, from <https://pubs.usgs.gov/of/1993/0292k/report.pdf>.

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ROUTE 185 GUAYNABO, PR 00988

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If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact me at 787-977-5865 or [guerrero.carmen@epa.gov](mailto:guerrero.carmen@epa.gov) or have your staff contact Reyes, Brenda at [reyes.brenda@epa.gov](mailto:reyes.brenda@epa.gov) or (787) 977-5869.

Sincerely,

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Carmen R. Guerrero Pérez  
Director

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## ECHO Reports





# Detailed Facility Report

## Facility Summary

**TEXACO PUERTO RICO INC**

**PR-111 KM 34.3 PUEBLO WARD, LARES, PR 00669**

**FRS (Facility Registry Service) ID:** 110007820064

**EPA Region:** 02

**Latitude:** 18.290011

**Longitude:** -66.890792

**Locational Data Source:** FRS

**Industries:** --

**Indian Country:** N

## Enforcement and Compliance Summary

| Statute   | RCRA                    |
|---|-------------------------|
| Compliance Monitoring Activities (5 years)          | --                      |
| Date of Last Compliance Monitoring Activity         | --                      |
| Compliance Status                                   | No Violation Identified |
| Qtrs in Noncompliance (of 12)                       | 0                       |
| Qtrs with Significant Violation                     | 0                       |
| Informal Enforcement Actions (5 years)              | --                      |
| Formal Enforcement Actions (5 years)                | --                      |
| Penalties from Formal Enforcement Actions (5 years) | --                      |
| EPA Cases (5 years)                                 | --                      |
| Penalties from EPA Cases (5 years)                  | --                      |

## Regulatory Information

**Clean Air Act (CAA):** No Information

**Clean Water Act (CWA):** No Information

**Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA):** Inactive Other, (PRR000006726)

**Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA):** No Information

Go To Enforcement/Compliance Details

Known Data Problems <<https://epa.gov/resources/echo-data/known-data-problems>>

## Other Regulatory Reports

**Air Emissions Inventory (EIS):** No Information

**Greenhouse Gas Emissions (eGGRT):** No Information

**Toxic Releases (TRI):** No Information

**Compliance and Emissions Data Reporting Interface (CEDRI):** No Information

## Facility/System Characteristics

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| System   | Statute | Identifier   | Universe | Status       | Areas | Permit Expiration Date | Indian Country | Latitude  | Longitude  |
|----------|---------|--------------|----------|--------------|-------|------------------------|----------------|-----------|------------|
| FRS      |         | 110007820064 |          |              |       |                        | N              | 18.290011 | -66.890792 |
| RCRAInfo | RCRA    | PRR000006726 | Other    | Inactive ( ) |       |                        | N              | 18.290011 | -66.890792 |

Facility Address

| System   | Statute | Identifier   | Facility Name          | Facility Address                             | Facility County |
|----------|---------|--------------|------------------------|--|-----------------|
| FRS      |         | 110007820064 | TEXACO PUERTO RICO INC | PR-111 KM 34.3 PUEBLO WARD, LARES, PR 00669  | Lares Municipio |
| RCRAInfo | RCRA    | PRR000006726 | TEXACO PUERTO RICO INC | RD #111 KM 34.3 PUEBLO WARD, LARES, PR 00669 | Lares Municipio |

Facility SIC (Standard Industrial Classification) Codes

| System | Identifier | SIC Code | SIC Description |
|--------|------------|----------|-----------------|
|--------|------------|----------|-----------------|

No data records returned

Facility NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) Codes

| System | Identifier | NAICS Code | NAICS Description |
|--------|------------|------------|-------------------|
|--------|------------|------------|-------------------|

No data records returned

Facility Tribe Information

| Reservation Name | Tribe Name | EPA Tribal ID | Distance to Tribe (miles) |
|------------------|------------|---------------|---------------------------|
|------------------|------------|---------------|---------------------------|

No data records returned

Enforcement and Compliance

Compliance Monitoring History

Last 5 Years

| Statute | Source ID | System | Activity Type | Compliance Monitoring Type | Lead Agency | Date | Finding (if applicable) |
|---------|-----------|--------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------|------|-------------------------|
|---------|-----------|--------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------|------|-------------------------|

No data records returned

Entries in *italics* are not included in ECHO's Compliance Monitoring Activity counts because they are not compliance monitoring strategy <<https://www.epa.gov/compliance/compliance-monitoring-programs>> activities or because they are not counted as inspections within EPA's Annual Results <<https://www.epa.gov/enforcement/enforcement-data-and-results>>.

Compliance Summary Data

| Statute | Source ID    | Current SNC (Significant Noncompliance)/HPV (High Priority Violation) | Current As Of | Qtrs with NC (Noncompliance) (of 12) | Data Last Refreshed |
|---------|--------------|---|---------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| RCRA    | PRR000006726 | No  | 05/31/2025    | 0                                    | 05/30/2025          |

Three-Year Compliance History by Quarter

| Statute | Program/Pollutant/Violation Type | QTR 1                   | QTR 2                   | QTR 3                   | QTR 4                   | QTR 5                   | QTR 6                   | QTR 7                   | QTR 8                   | QTR 9                   | QTR 10                  | QTR 11                  |
|---------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| RCRA    | (Source ID: PRR000006726)        | 07/01-09/30/22          | 10/01-12/31/22          | 01/01-03/31/23          | 04/01-06/30/23          | 07/01-09/30/23          | 10/01-12/31/23          | 01/01-03/31/24          | 04/01-06/30/24          | 07/01-09/30/24          | 10/01-12/31/24          | 01/01-03/31/25          |
|         | Facility-Level Status            | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified |
|         | Violation                        |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |
|         | Agency                           |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |

Informal Enforcement Actions

Last 5 Years

| Statute | System | Source ID | Type of Action | Lead Agency | Date |
|---------|--------|-----------|----------------|-------------|------|
|---------|--------|-----------|----------------|-------------|------|

No data records returned

Entries in *italics* are not counted as "informal enforcement actions" in EPA policies pertaining to enforcement response tools.

Formal Enforcement Actions

Last 5 Years

| Statute | System | Law/ Section | Source ID | Type of Action | Case No. | Lead Agency | Case Name | Issued/ Filed Date | Settlements/ Actions | Settlement/ Action Date | Federal Penalty Assessed | State/ Local Penalty Assessed | Penalty Amount Collected | SEP Value | Comp Action Cost |
|---------|--------|--------------|-----------|----------------|----------|-------------|-----------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|------------------|
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No data records returned

Environmental Conditions

Watersheds

| 12-Digit WBD (Watershed Boundary Dataset) HUC (RAD (Reach Address Database)) | WBD (Watershed Boundary Dataset) Subwatershed Name (RAD (Reach Address Database)) | State Water Body Name (ICIS (Integrated Compliance Information System)) | Beach Closures Within Last Year | Beach Closures Within Last Two Years | Pollutants Potentially Related to Impairment | Watershed with ESA (Endangered Species Act)-listed Aquatic Species? |
|--|---|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|
|--|---|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|

No data records returned

Assessed Waters From Latest State Submission (ATTAINS)

| State | Report Cycle | Assessment Unit ID | Assessment Unit Name | Water Condition | Cause Groups Impaired | Drinking Water Use | Ecological Use | Fish Consumption Use | Recreation Use | Other Use |
|-------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------|
|-------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------|

No data records returned

Air Quality Nonattainment Areas

| Pollutant | Within Nonattainment Status Area? | Nonattainment Status Applicable Standard(s) | Within Maintenance Status Area? | Maintenance Status Applicable Standard(s) |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
|-----------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|

No data records returned

Pollutants

Toxics Release Inventory History of Reported Chemicals Released or Transferred in Pounds per Year at Site

| TRI Facility ID | Year | Air Emissions | Surface Water Discharges | Off-Site Transfers to POTWs (Publicly Owned Treatment Works) | Underground Injections | Disposal to Land | Total On-Site Releases | Total Off-Site Transfers |
|-----------------|------|---------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
|-----------------|------|---------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|

No data records returned

Toxics Release Inventory Total Releases and Transfers in Pounds by Chemical and Year

| Chemical Name |
|---------------|
|---------------|

No data records returned

Community

Demographic Profile of Surrounding Area (1-Mile Radius)

This section provides demographic information regarding the community surrounding the facility. ECHO compliance data alone are not sufficient to determine whether violations at a particular facility had negative impacts on public health or the environment. Statistics are based upon the 2022 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year Summary and are accurate to the extent that the facility latitude and longitude listed below are correct. Census boundaries and demographic data for U.S. Territories are based on the "2020 Island Areas Demographic Profiles" from the U.S. Census Bureau. EPA's spatial processing methodology considers the overlap between the selected radii and ACS census block groups in determining the demographics surrounding the facility. For more detail about this methodology, see the DFR Data Dictionary <<https://epa.gov/help/reports/dfr-data-dictionary#demographic>>.

| General Statistics (ACS (American Community Survey))                |              | Age Breakdown (ACS (American Community Survey)) - Persons (%)                        |              |
|---|--------------|--|--------------|
| Total Persons   | 4,167        | Children 5 years and younger   | 172 (4%)     |
| Population Density  | 1,335/sq.mi. | Minors 17 years and younger  | 620 (15%)    |
| Housing Units in Area   | 2,198        | Adults 18 years and older  | 3,547 (85%)  |
| Percent People of Color   | 100%         | Seniors 65 years and older   | 1,019 (24%)  |
| Households in Area  | 1,671        | Race Breakdown (ACS (American Community Survey)) - Persons (%)                       |              |
| Households on Public Assistance                                     | 41           | White  | 3,512 (84%)  |
| Persons With Low Income   | 3,318        | African-American   | 108 (3%)     |
| Percent With Low Income   | 80%          | Hispanic-Origin  | 4,144 (99%)  |
| Geography   |              | Asian  | 0 (0%)       |
| Radius of Selected Area   | 1 mi.        | Hawaiian/Pacific Islander  | 0 (0%)       |
| Center Latitude   | 18.290011    | American Indian  | 3 (0%)       |
| Center Longitude  | -66.890792   | Other/Multiracial  | 250 (6%)     |
| Total Area  | --           | Education Level (Persons 25 & older) (ACS (American Community Survey)) - Persons (%) |              |
| Land Area   | 100%         | Less than 9th Grade  | 642 (19.85%) |
| Water Area  | 0%           | 9th through 12th Grade   | 211 (6.52%)  |
| Income Breakdown (ACS (American Community Survey)) - Households (%) |              | High School Diploma  | 766 (23.68%) |
| Less than \$15,000  | 590 (35.31%) | Some College/2-year  | 455 (14.06%) |
| \$15,000 - \$25,000   | 411 (24.6%)  | B.S./B.A. (Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts) or More                             | 788 (24.36%) |
| \$25,000 - \$50,000   | 486 (29.08%) |  |              |
| \$50,000 - \$75,000   | 137 (8.2%)   |  |              |
| Greater than \$75,000   | 47 (2.81%)   |  |              |





# Detailed Facility Report

Facility Summary

**PUERTO RICO IND DEVELOPMENT CO**  
**EMILIO CASTRO URBAN, LARES, PR 00669**

**FRS (Facility Registry Service) ID:** 110012259732

**EPA Region:** 02

**Latitude:** 18.29331

**Longitude:** -66.89096

**Locational Data Source:** FRS

**Industries:** --

**Indian Country:** N

## Enforcement and Compliance Summary

| Statute   | RCRA                    |
|---|-------------------------|
| Compliance Monitoring Activities (5 years)          | --                      |
| Date of Last Compliance Monitoring Activity         | --                      |
| Compliance Status                                   | No Violation Identified |
| Qtrs in Noncompliance (of 12)                       | 0                       |
| Qtrs with Significant Violation                     | 0                       |
| Informal Enforcement Actions (5 years)              | --                      |
| Formal Enforcement Actions (5 years)                | --                      |
| Penalties from Formal Enforcement Actions (5 years) | --                      |
| EPA Cases (5 years)                                 | --                      |
| Penalties from EPA Cases (5 years)                  | --                      |

## Regulatory Information

**Clean Air Act (CAA):** No Information  
**Clean Water Act (CWA):** No Information  
**Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA):** Inactive Other, (PRR000014357)  
**Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA):** No Information

Go To Enforcement/Compliance Details  
Known Data Problems <<https://epa.gov/resources/echo-data/known-data-problems>>

## Other Regulatory Reports

**Air Emissions Inventory (EIS):** No Information  
**Greenhouse Gas Emissions (eGGRT):** No Information  
**Toxic Releases (TRI):** No Information  
**Compliance and Emissions Data Reporting Interface (CEDRI):** No Information

Facility/System Characteristics

## Facility/System Characteristics

| System   | Statute | Identifier   | Universe | Status       | Areas | Permit Expiration Date | Indian Country | Latitude | Longitude |
|----------|---------|--------------|----------|--------------|-------|------------------------|----------------|----------|-----------|
| FRS      |         | 110012259732 |          |              |       |                        | N              | 18.29331 | -66.89096 |
| RCRAInfo | RCRA    | PRR000014357 | Other    | Inactive ( ) |       |                        | N              |          |           |

Facility Address

| System   | Statute | Identifier   | Facility Name                  | Facility Address                     | Facility County |
|----------|---------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| FRS      |         | 110012259732 | PUERTO RICO IND DEVELOPMENT CO | EMILIO CASTRO URBAN, LARES, PR 00669 | Lares Municipio |
| RCRAInfo | RCRA    | PRR000014357 | PUERTO RICO IND DEVELOPMENT CO | EMILIO CASTRO URBAN, LARES, PR 00669 | Lares Municipio |

Facility SIC (Standard Industrial Classification) Codes

| System | Identifier | SIC Code | SIC Description |
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No data records returned

Facility NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) Codes

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No data records returned

Facility Tribe Information

| Reservation Name | Tribe Name | EPA Tribal ID | Distance to Tribe (miles) |
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No data records returned

Enforcement and Compliance

Compliance Monitoring History

Last 5 Years

| Statute | Source ID | System | Activity Type | Compliance Monitoring Type | Lead Agency | Date | Finding (if applicable) |
|---------|-----------|--------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------|------|-------------------------|
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|---------|--------------|---|---------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| RCRA    | PRR000014357 | No  | 05/31/2025    | 0                                    | 05/30/2025          |

Three-Year Compliance History by Quarter

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| RCRA    | (Source ID: PRR000014357)        | 07/01-09/30/22          | 10/01-12/31/22          | 01/01-03/31/23          | 04/01-06/30/23          | 07/01-09/30/23          | 10/01-12/31/23          | 01/01-03/31/24          | 04/01-06/30/24          | 07/01-09/30/24          | 10/01-12/31/24          | 01/01-03/31/25          |
|         | Facility-Level Status            | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified | No Violation Identified |
|         | Violation                        |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |
|         | Agency                           |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |

Informal Enforcement Actions

Last 5 Years

| Statute | System | Source ID | Type of Action | Lead Agency | Date |
|---------|--------|-----------|----------------|-------------|------|
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Last 5 Years

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|-------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------|
|-------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------|

No data records returned

Air Quality Nonattainment Areas

| Pollutant | Within Nonattainment Status Area? | Nonattainment Status Applicable Standard(s) | Within Maintenance Status Area? | Maintenance Status Applicable Standard(s) |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
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|-----------------|------|---------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|

No data records returned

Toxics Release Inventory Total Releases and Transfers in Pounds by Chemical and Year

| Chemical Name |
|---------------|
|---------------|

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| Total Persons   | 4,709        | Children 5 years and younger   | 203 (4%)     |
| Population Density  | 1,509/sq.mi. | Minors 17 years and younger  | 707 (15%)    |
| Housing Units in Area   | 2,478        | Adults 18 years and older  | 4,001 (85%)  |
| Percent People of Color   | 99%          | Seniors 65 years and older   | 1,128 (24%)  |
| Households in Area  | 1,906        | Race Breakdown (ACS (American Community Survey)) - Persons (%)                       |              |
| Households on Public Assistance                                     | 51           | White  | 3,967 (84%)  |
| Persons With Low Income   | 3,809        | African-American   | 110 (2%)     |
| Percent With Low Income   | 82%          | Hispanic-Origin  | 4,678 (99%)  |
| Geography   |              | Asian  | 0 (0%)       |
| Radius of Selected Area   | 1 mi.        | Hawaiian/Pacific Islander  | 0 (0%)       |
| Center Latitude   | 18.29331     | American Indian  | 2 (0%)       |
| Center Longitude  | -66.89096    | Other/Multiracial  | 292 (6%)     |
| Total Area  | --           | Education Level (Persons 25 & older) (ACS (American Community Survey)) - Persons (%) |              |
| Land Area   | 100%         | Less than 9th Grade  | 715 (19.68%) |
| Water Area  | 0%           | 9th through 12th Grade   | 241 (6.63%)  |
| Income Breakdown (ACS (American Community Survey)) - Households (%) |              | High School Diploma  | 878 (24.17%) |
| Less than \$15,000  | 684 (35.94%) | Some College/2-year  | 519 (14.29%) |
| \$15,000 - \$25,000   | 469 (24.65%) | B.S./B.A. (Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts) or More                             | 862 (23.73%) |
| \$25,000 - \$50,000   | 552 (29.01%) |  |              |
| \$50,000 - \$75,000   | 148 (7.78%)  |  |              |
| Greater than \$75,000   | 50 (2.63%)   |  |              |



## **Appendix \*:** USFWS “No Effect” Memo and supporting documentations

## ENVIRONMENTAL MEMORANDUM

**Date:** 10/21/2025

**Program:** Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-DR): Electrical Power Reliability and Resilience Program (ER2)

**To:** Environmental Review Record (ERR) File

**Subject:** Explanation of Conflicting Information within the ERR

**Applicant Name:** Colmado El Resuelve (Luis Acevedo Jimenez)

**Application Number:** PR-ESP-00327

This memorandum serves to provide an explanation as to the presence of conflicting pieces of information within the Environmental Review Record (ERR) file.

### Conflicting Information:

- ☐ Coordinates
- ☒ Parcel ID/Cadaster Number
- ☐ Address
- ☐ Municipio
- ☐ Construction Date
- ☐ Applicant Name
- ☐ Other:

### Location (s) of Conflicting Information:

USFWS No Effect Memo package

### Explanation:

This memorandum serves to clarify that the cadaster number listed in the USFWS No Effect Memo package was entered incorrectly (158-058-046-33-002). The correct cadaster number for the property is 158-058-046-33-000. However, this does not affect the project since the work to be performed remains on the same property, so returning the case for re-consultation is not necessary.

Date: May 8, 2025

Applicant ID: PR-ESP-00327

Street Address: Calle Emilio Castro Num 4, Lares PR, 00669

Municipality: Lares

RE: No Effect Determination for PR-ESP-00327

## Executive Summary

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) mandates that federal agencies ensure the actions that they authorize, fund, or carry out shall not jeopardize the continued existence of federally listed plants and animals or result in the adverse modification or destruction of designated critical habitat. Where their actions may affect resources protected by the ESA, agencies must consult with the Fish and Wildlife Service and/or the National Marine Fisheries Service ("FWS" and "NMFS" or "the Services").

This memo serves to document that the proposed project, PR-ESP-00327, located at Calle Emilio Castro Num 4, Lares PR, 00669 (Parcel ID# 158-058-046-33-002) was reviewed in accordance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 USC 1536) as well as the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (47 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 661 *et seq.*) by a qualified Biologist, resulting in a 'No Effect' determination.

The CDBG-DR Energy Electrical Power Reliability and Resilience (ER2) Program's objective is to enhance electric system reliability, affordability, and resiliency through the development and interconnection of projects that qualify as electric system enhancements or improvements.

## Project Description

The subject property is a Commercial Building located in Lares, PR. The project scope includes the installation of a photovoltaic (solar) panel system and appurtenant storage system (batteries) on the existing commercial building's roof and will be built at Latitude: 18.292940, Longitude: -66.890803 (see Site Map at Appendix A, Figure 1). All improvements will be limited to the roof, floors, and walls of existing commercial buildings. The Field Observation Form and Environmental Screening Checklist depicting and clarifying the extent and location of project activities are included in Appendix B.

As indicated by the Official Species List obtained from the Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) system (Appendix C) and USFWS Critical Habitat data (Appendix A, Figure 2), the proposed project lies within the ranges of the following federally listed species and critical habitats:

| Species  | Status     |
|--|------------|
| Puerto Rican Boa ( <i>Chilabothrus inornatus</i> ) | Endangered |

| Critical Habitat |
|------------------|
| None.            |



## Existing Conditions:

The project area where the activities will be taking place consists of approximately 0.05-acres of land located at Calle Emilio Castro Num 4, Lares PR, 00669. According to the U.S. Geological Survey National Land Cover Database (NLCD) (Appendix A, Figure 4) the majority of the project area consists of a medium intensity developed land. A structure matching project orientation and footprint is present on 1967 Earth Explorer, earliest imagery. The building is absent from the 1958 topographical map (1960 ed.). A topographic map is included (see Appendix A, Figure 3). The project is located in Zone X on the FEMA Flood map and ABFE map, panel number 72000C0570H dated 4/19/2005 (see Flood Map Appendix A, Figure 5 and ABFE map Appendix A, Figure 6). A Preliminary FIRM has not been developed for this area. There is a mapped NWI riverine approximately 1,342 feet to the northeast of the proposed project location. The project activities will not occur within a natural or manmade wetlands and no direct or indirect impacts are anticipated as a result of the project activities (see wetlands map Appendix A, Figure 7).

## Effect Determination:

Based on a review of site photos and other information gathered during a site visit on March 26, 2025, none of the species listed above were observed in the vicinity of the proposed project activities and no critical habitat was identified within the proposed project area. Having carefully analyzed the project site and the information available, including the IPaC species list and available Dkey(s), critical habitat data, nature of the project, previous site disturbance, and scope of project activities, the following effect determinations have been made:

| Species   | Effect Determination | Conservation Measures to be Implemented (if needed) |
|---|----------------------|---|
| Puerto Rican Boa<br>( <i>Chilabothrus inornatus</i> ) | No Effect            | None required                                       |

## SPECIES ANALYSIS

### Puerto Rican Boa (*Chilabothrus inornatus*)

Considered to be a habitat generalist, the Puerto Rican Boa tolerates a wide variety terrestrial and arboreal habitat, including rocky areas, haystack hill, trees and branches, rotting stumps, caves, plantations, various types of forested areas such as karst and mangrove forests, forested urban and rural areas, and along streams and road edges. The IPaC Determination Key (Dkey) for the Puerto Rican Boa, dated May 6, 2025, was used to evaluate the potential impacts to federally listed species from this project. Based on the Dkey responses, it was determined that the proposed project will have 'No Effect' on the Puerto Rican Boa (Appendix C).

If a Puerto Rican Boa is found in the project activity site, work shall cease until the Boa moves off on its own. If the Boa does not move off, the Construction Manager shall contact the Puerto Rico Department of Natural and Environmental Resources and ask them to relocate the Boa.



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Patricia Carmenatty / Senior Biologist

5/8/2025

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Date

## **Appendix A:** Figures

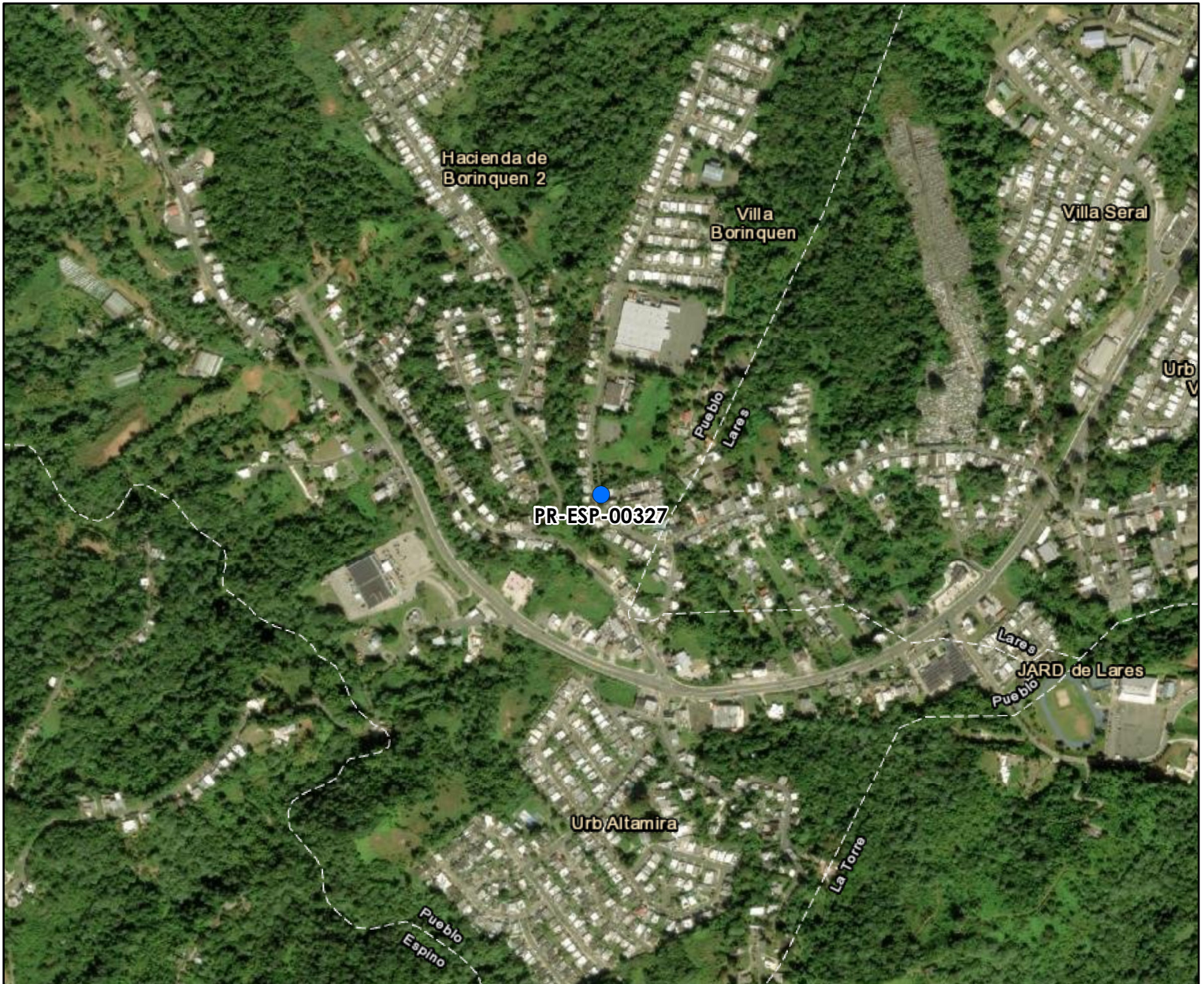


Figure 1

# Location: Aerial Map

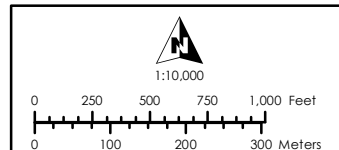
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## Legend:

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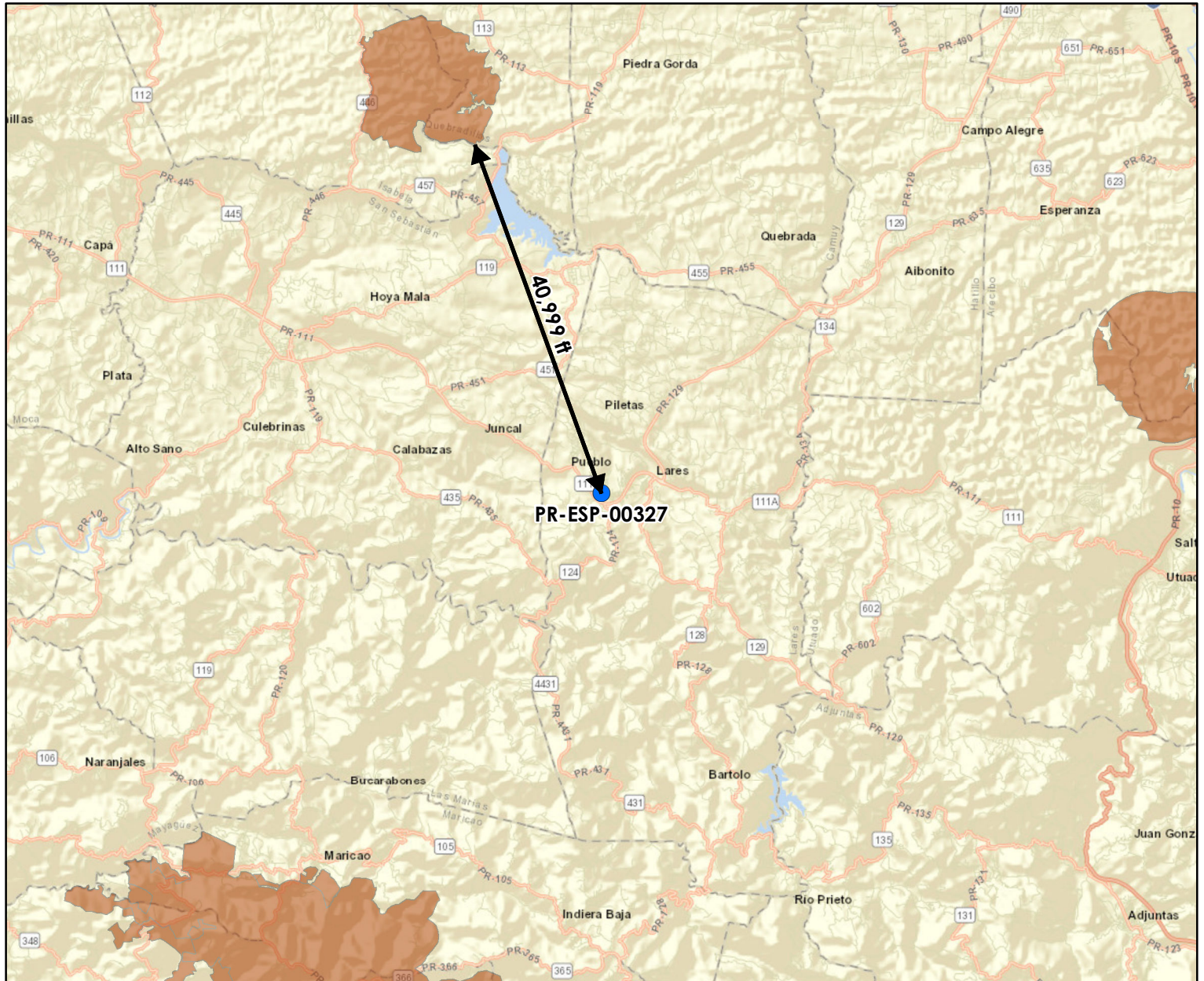
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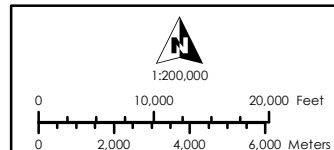
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# Figure 2 Threatened and Endangered Species Map Electrical Power Reliability and Resilience Program (ER2)



## Legend:

- PR-ESP-00327
- Critical Habitat



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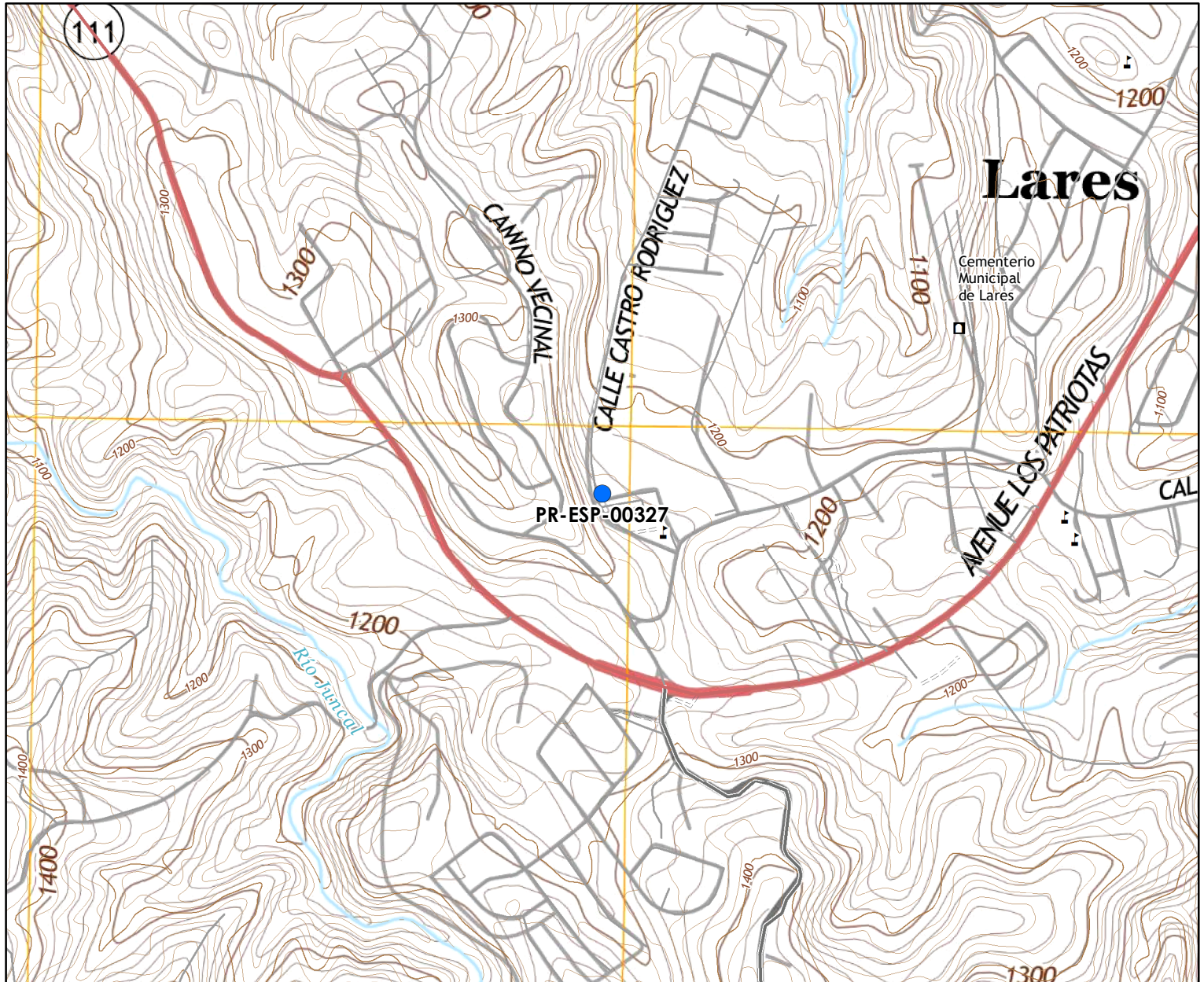


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Figure 3

# Location: Topographic Map

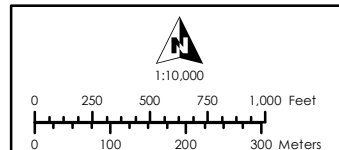
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- Elev\_Contour

Quadrangle: San Sebastián



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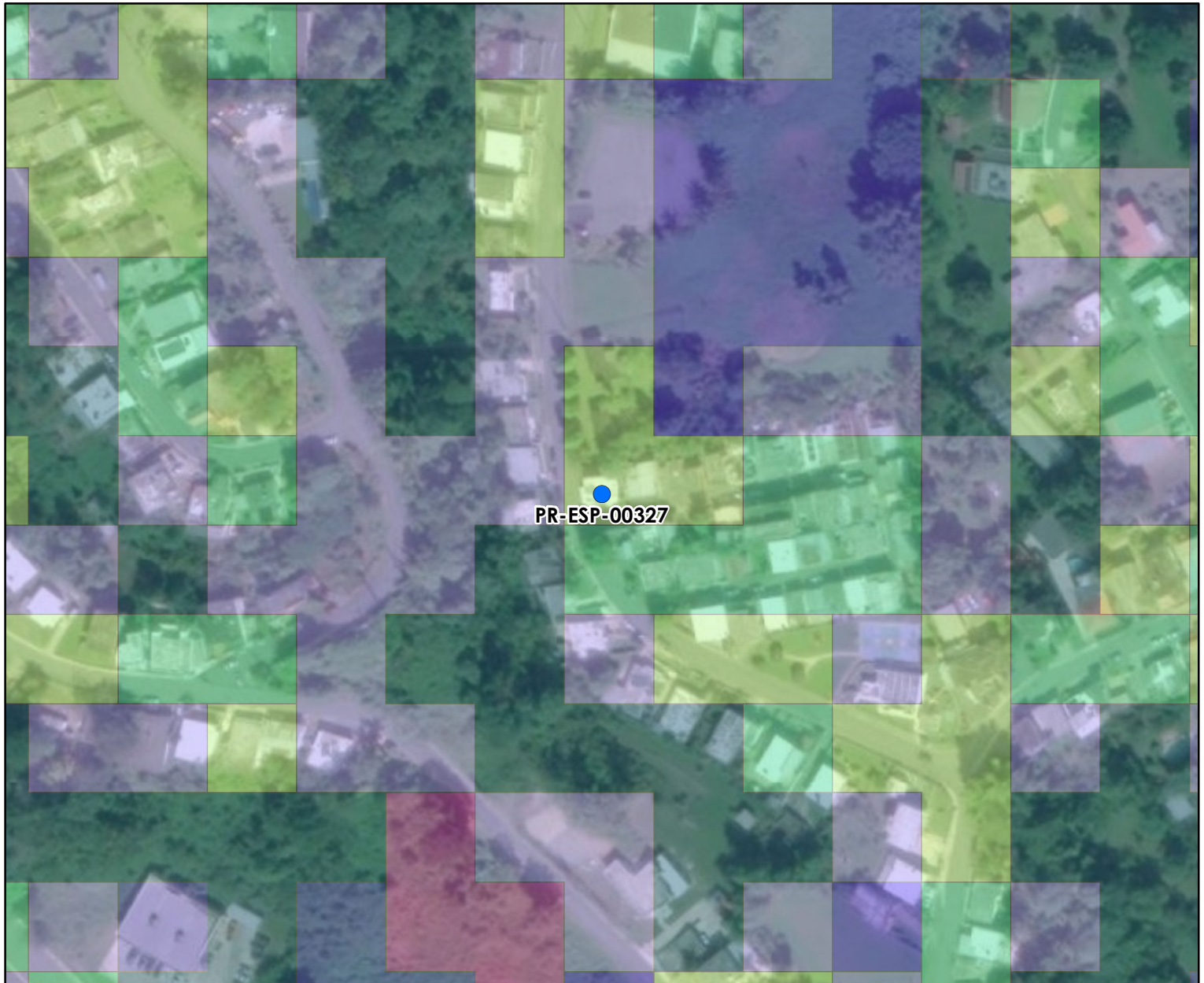


Figure 4

# Land Cover Map

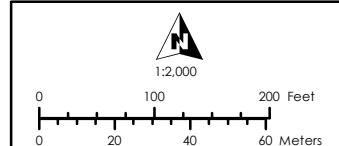
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## Legend:

- PR-ESP-00327
- Developed Open Space
- Grassland
- High Intensity Developed
- Low Intensity Developed
- Medium Intensity Developed
- Mixed Forest
- Scrub/Shrub



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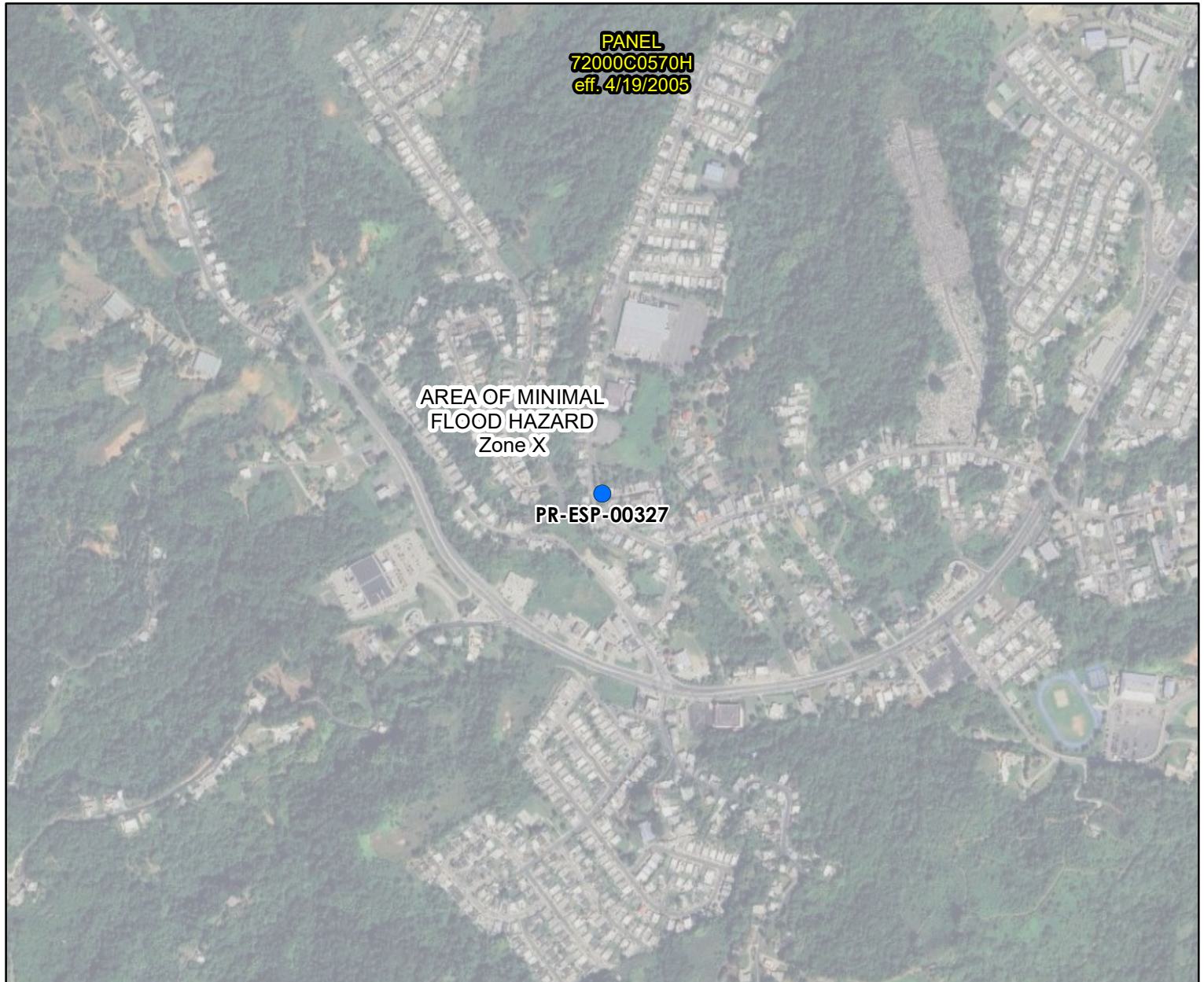


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# Flood Insurance Rate Map

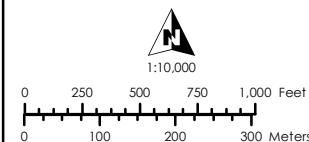
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## Legend:

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|---|---|
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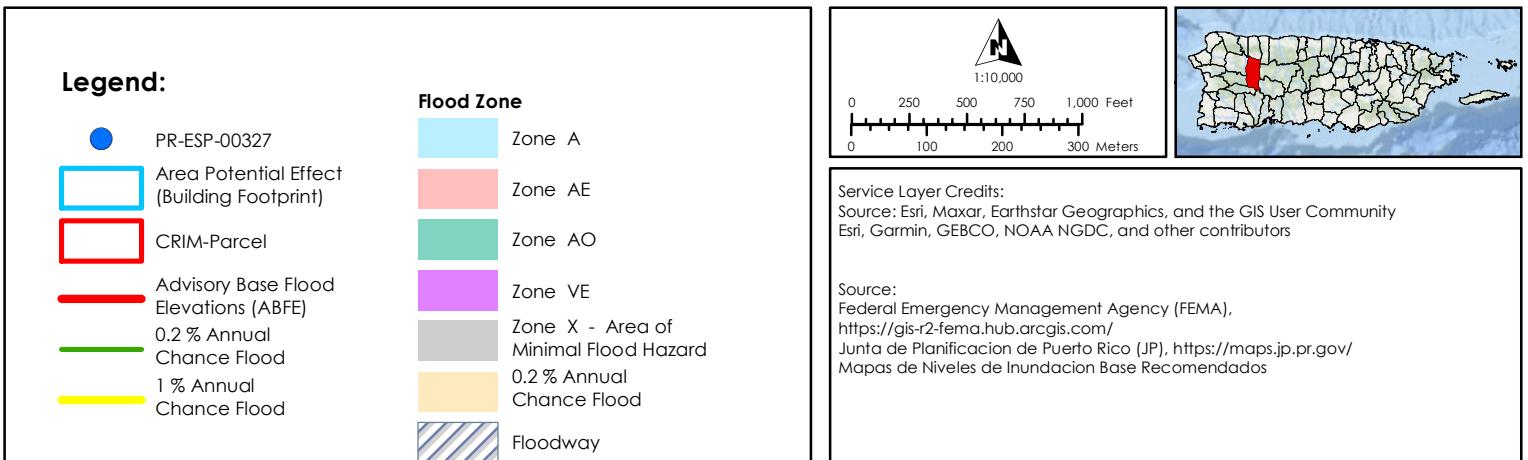
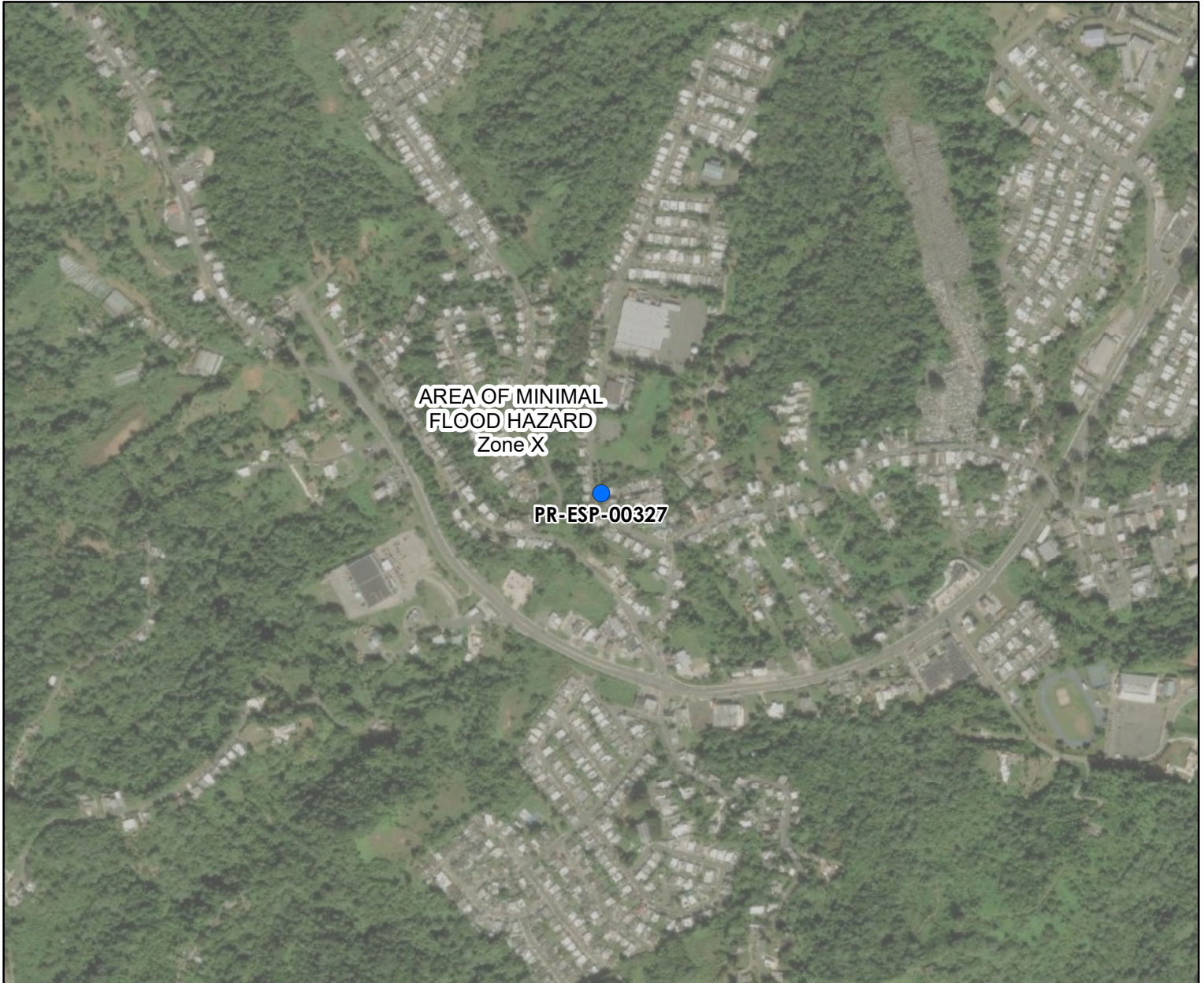


Figure 6

# Advisory Base Flood Elevation Map

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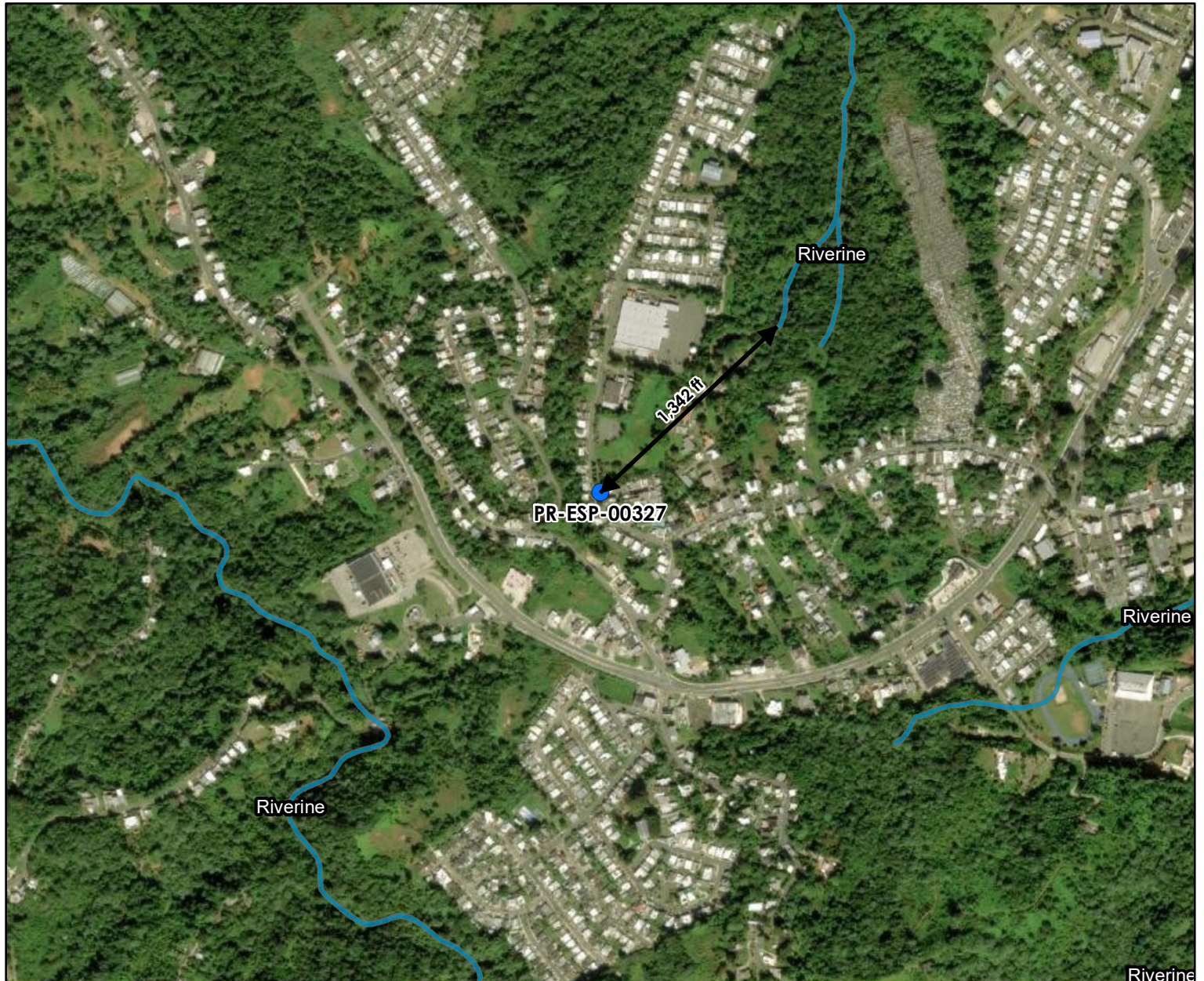


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Figure 7

# Wetlands Map

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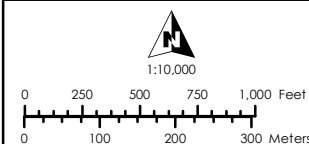


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### National Wetlands Inventory

|   |                                   |   |                 |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------|
|  | Estuarine and Marine Deepwater    |  | Freshwater Pond |
|  | Estuarine and Marine Wetland      |  | Lake            |
|  | Freshwater Emergent Wetland       |  | Riverine        |
|  | Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland |   |                 |



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## **Appendix B:** Field Observation Form and Environmental Screening Checklist

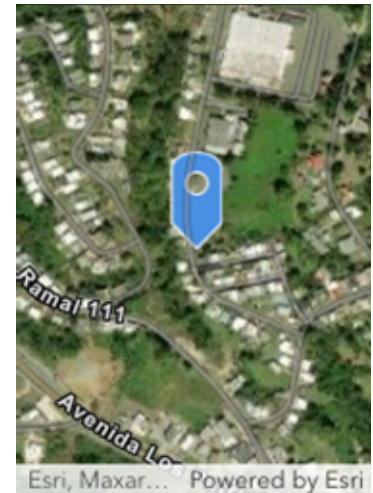




**Environmental Field Assessment Form - PR-ESP-00327**

**APPLICANT/LOCATION INFORMATION**

|                 |                           |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Applicant ID:   | PR-ESP-00327              |
| Applicant Name: | Colmado El Resuelve       |
| Parcel ID:      | 158-058-046-33-002        |
| Coordinates:    | 18.292940, -66.890803     |
| Street Address: | CALLE EMILIO CASTRO NUM 4 |
| Municipio:      | Lares                     |
| Zip Code:       | 00669                     |
| Site Inspector: | Egon Gonzalez             |
| Date of Visit:  | March 26, 2025            |
| Time of Visit:  | 14:54                     |
| Year Built:     | Circa 1960                |



**Building Information**

| Question   | Answer                     | Notes                      |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Location verified:  | Yes                        | 18.292940, -66.890803      |
| 2. Is the building correct on GIS?   | Yes                        | Building is correct on GIS |
| 3. Building Type:  | Commercial/<br>Residential |                            |
| 4. # of Stories:   | 2                          |                            |
| 5. Building Foundation:  | Concrete Slab              |                            |
| 6. Is the building in use?   | Yes                        | Building is in use         |
| 7. Does the building have a detached garage / carport present?   | No                         |                            |
| 8. Is the electricity connected?   | Yes                        | Electricity is connected   |
| 9. Is the water connected?   | Yes                        | Water is connected         |
| 10. Are there signs of poor housekeeping on site? (mounds of rubble, garbage, storm debris, solid waste, petroleum products, paint, pesticides, cleaning fluids, vehicle batteries, abandoned vehicles, pits, pools, ponds of hazardous substances, electrical equipment etc.) | No                         |                            |
| 11. Is a septic system present? If Yes report apparent condition.  | No                         |                            |
| 12. Are there any obvious signs of animals, birds nesting or burrows near the site?  | Yes                        |                            |





| Parcel Conditions   |        |   |
|---|--------|---|
| Question  | Answer | Notes   |
| 1) Are there any 55-gallon drums visible on site? If yes, are they leaking?   | Yes    | (6) 55gal Drums used to recycle aluminum cans located on left side of structure   |
| 2) Are there any (or signs of any) underground storage tanks on the property?   | No     |   |
| 3) Are there signs of AST on the parcel or adjacent parcel? If yes, list approximate size and contents, if known.   | Yes    | (18) 25lbs Propane tanks located on right side of structure and (1) 100lbs Propane tank located on left side of structure |
| 4) Is there any stained soil or pavement on the parcel?   |        |   |
| 5) Are there any potentially hazardous trees that could fall?   |        |   |
| 6) Are there any groundwater monitoring wells on the site or adjacent parcel?   | No     |   |
| 7) Is there distressed vegetation on the parcel?  |        |   |
| 8) Are any additional environmental or non-environmental site hazards observed?   |        |   |
| 9) Is there any permanent standing water, such as a pond or stream, located on the site(do not include ponding from recent rain / weather events)?            | No     |   |
| 10) Does the subject property have water frontage?  | No     |   |
| 11) Is the applicant aware of any significant historical event or persons associated with the structure, or of it being located in a historic district/ area? | No     |   |
| 12) Is a historic marker present?   | No     |   |
| 13) Based on the above finding, does additional information need to be obtained from the applicant to determine whether an environmental hazard is present?   | No     |   |



| Building Environmental Conditions  |        |       |
|--|--------|-------|
| Question   | Answer | Notes |
| 1. Is there any visible evidence of asbestos, chipping, and flaking or peeling paint, or hazardous materials present in or on the structure? | No     |       |
| 2. Is there any visible indication of mold?  | No     |       |
| 3. Are there any pungent, foul or noxious odors?   | No     |       |

| Additional Needs Analysis  |        |       |
|--|--------|-------|
| Question   | Answer | Notes |
| Based on the above findings, does additional information need to be obtained from the applicant to determine whether an environmental hazard is present? | No     |       |

☒ I verify that I have physically visited this property and that the findings outlined above are accurate.

Inspector Signature

Egon Gonzalez

March 26, 2025

**Front of Structure**

Photo Direction: East

Comments:



**Facing Away from Front**

Photo Direction: West

Comments:





**Side #1 of Structure**

Photo Direction: Southeast

Comments:



**Facing Away From Side #1**

Photo Direction: Northeast

Comments:





**Back of Structure**

Photo Direction: North

Comments:



**Facing Away from Back**

Photo Direction: Northeast

Comments:





**Side #2 of Structure**

Photo Direction: North

Comments:



**Facing Away from Side #2**

Photo Direction: Southeast

Comments:





### Streetscape #1

Photo Direction: South

Comments:



### Streetscape #2

Photo Direction: North

Comments:





Address

Photo Direction: East

Comments:





### Architectural Details 1

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: Electricity is connected



### Architectural Details 2

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: Water is connected





### Architectural Details 3

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: Proposed battery storage location



### Architectural Details 4

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: General interior view





### Architectural Details 5

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: General interior view



### Architectural Details 6

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: (6) 55gal Drums used to recycle aluminum cans located on left side of structure



### Architectural Details 7

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: (18) 25lbs  
Propane tanks located on right side  
of structure



### Architectural Details 8

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: Overview





**Architectural Details 9**

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: (1) 100lbs  
Propane tank located at left side of  
structure



**Architectural Details 10**

Photo Direction:

Photo Description: Additional back of  
structure view



## **Appendix C:** Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) system



## United States Department of the Interior



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Email Address: [CARIBBEAN\\_ES@FWS.GOV](mailto:CARIBBEAN_ES@FWS.GOV)

In Reply Refer To:

05/06/2025 13:00:36 UTC

Project Code: 2025-0092694

Project Name: PR-ESP-00327

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

**\*THE FOLLOWING SPECIES LIST IS NOT A SECTION 7 CONSULTATION. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE TO COMPLETE THE CONSULTATION PROCESS\***

The purpose of the Endangered Species Act (Act) is to provide a means whereby threatened, and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 et seq.), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect those species and/or their designated critical habitat.

Federal agencies are required to "request of the Secretary of Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action". The enclosed species list provides information to assist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) consultation process under section 7 of the Act. However, **the enclosed species list does not complete the required consultation process**. The species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and designated critical habitats, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. A discussion between the Federal agency and the Service should include what types of listed species may occur in the proposed action area and what effect the proposed action may have on those species. This process initiates informal consultation.

Once a species list is obtained for the proposed project, an effect determination for endangered and threatened species should be made. The applicant could make an effect determination by using available keys on IPaC for specific species. For species with no determination keys, the applicant should request concurrence from the Service by sending a project package



to [caribbean\\_es@fws.gov](mailto:caribbean_es@fws.gov). To obtain guidance for completing this process and the minimum requirements for project packages, please visit:

<https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/documents/consultation-under-section-7-of-the-endangered-species-act-with-the-caribbean-ecological%20Services-field-office-template-letter.pdf>

When a federal agency, after discussions with the Service, determines that the proposed action is not likely to adversely affect any listed species, or adversely modify any designated critical habitat, and the Service concurs, the informal consultation is complete, and the proposed project moves ahead. If the proposed action is suspected to affect a listed species or modify designated critical habitat, the Federal agency may then prepare a Biological Assessment (B.A.) to assist in its determination of the project's effects on species and their habitat. However, a B.A. is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2) (c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a B.A. where the agency provides the Service with an evaluation on the likely effects of the action to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a B.A. are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

If a federal agency determines, based on its B.A. or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by the proposed project, the agency is required to further consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. In addition, the Service recommends that candidate species, proposed species, and proposed critical habitat be addressed within the consultation process. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at:

<https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/documents/endangered-species-consultation-handbook.pdf>

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species.

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action". Please use this list to determine whether your project requires consultation and to make your effects determination. For more guidance, use the Guideline for Consultation under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act with the Caribbean Ecological Services Field Office by clicking [here](#).

This species list is provided by:

Caribbean Ecological Services Field Office

[caribbean\\_es@fws.gov](mailto:caribbean_es@fws.gov)

Post Office Box 491

Boqueron, PR 00622-0491

(786) 244-0081

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List
- USFWS National Wildlife Refuges and Fish Hatcheries
- Bald & Golden Eagles
- Migratory Birds
- Wetlands

## OFFICIAL SPECIES LIST

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## PROJECT SUMMARY

Project Code: 2025-0092694

Project Name: PR-ESP-00327

Project Type: Power Gen - Solar

Project Description: Colmado El Resuelve / Commercial Building

Project Location:

The approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/@18.29296525,-66.89079278619556,14z>



Counties: Lares County, Puerto Rico



## ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT SPECIES

There is a total of 1 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries<sup>1</sup>, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

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1. [NOAA Fisheries](#), also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

## REPTILES

| NAME  | STATUS     |
|---|------------|
| <p>Puerto Rican Boa <i>Chilabothrus inornatus</i></p> <p>No critical habitat has been designated for this species.</p> <p>Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6628">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6628</a></p> <p>General project design guidelines:</p> <p><a href="https://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/project/LP3UF6GJCNH3FDBTXNO4L2H25Q/documents/generated/7159.pdf">https://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/project/LP3UF6GJCNH3FDBTXNO4L2H25Q/documents/generated/7159.pdf</a></p> | Endangered |

## CRITICAL HABITATS

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.

YOU ARE STILL REQUIRED TO DETERMINE IF YOUR PROJECT(S) MAY HAVE EFFECTS ON ALL ABOVE LISTED SPECIES.

## USFWS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE LANDS AND FISH HATCHERIES

Any activity proposed on lands managed by the [National Wildlife Refuge](#) system must undergo a 'Compatibility Determination' conducted by the Refuge. Please contact the individual Refuges to discuss any questions or concerns.

THERE ARE NO REFUGE LANDS OR FISH HATCHERIES WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA.

## BALD & GOLDEN EAGLES

Bald and Golden Eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act <sup>2</sup> and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) <sup>1</sup>. Any person or organization who plans or conducts activities that may result in impacts to Bald or Golden Eagles, or their habitats, should follow appropriate regulations and consider implementing appropriate avoidance and minimization measures, as described in the various links on this page.

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1. The [Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act](#) of 1940.
  2. The [Migratory Birds Treaty Act](#) of 1918.
  3. 50 C.F.R. Sec. 10.12 and 16 U.S.C. Sec. 668(a)

BALD & GOLDEN EAGLES INFORMATION WAS NOT AVAILABLE WHEN THIS SPECIES LIST WAS GENERATED. PLEASE CONTACT THE FIELD OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

## MIGRATORY BIRDS

The Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) <sup>1</sup> prohibits the take (including killing, capturing, selling, trading, and transport) of protected migratory bird species without prior authorization by the Department of Interior U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service). The incidental take of migratory birds is the injury or death of birds that results from, but is not the purpose, of an activity. The Service interprets the MBTA to prohibit incidental take.

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1. The [Migratory Birds Treaty Act](#) of 1918.
2. The [Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act](#) of 1940.
3. 50 C.F.R. Sec. 10.12 and 16 U.S.C. Sec. 668(a)

MIGRATORY BIRD INFORMATION WAS NOT AVAILABLE WHEN THIS SPECIES LIST WAS GENERATED. PLEASE CONTACT THE FIELD OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

## WETLANDS

Impacts to [NWI wetlands](#) and other aquatic habitats may be subject to regulation under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, or other State/Federal statutes.

For more information please contact the Regulatory Program of the local [U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District](#).

Please note that the NWI data being shown may be out of date. We are currently working to update our NWI data set. We recommend you verify these results with a site visit to determine the actual extent of wetlands on site.

THERE ARE NO WETLANDS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA.



## IPAC USER CONTACT INFORMATION

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## United States Department of the Interior

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In Reply Refer To:

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Project code: 2025-0092694

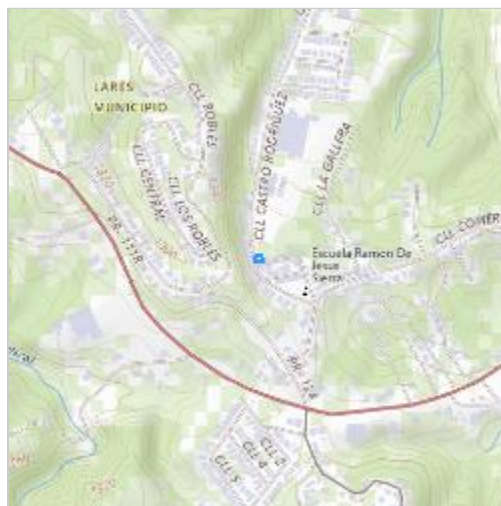
Project Name: PR-ESP-00327

Subject: Technical Assistance letter for the project named 'PR-ESP-00327' for specified threatened and endangered species, that may occur in your proposed project location, pursuant to the IPaC determination key titled Caribbean Determination Key (DKey).

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for using the assisted evaluation keys in IPaC. This letter is provided pursuant to the Service's authority under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA) (87 Stat. 884; 16 U.S.C. 1531et seq.). On May 06, 2025, Patricia Carmenatty used the Caribbean DKey; dated January 03, 2025, in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's online [IPaC application](#) to evaluate potential impacts to federally listed species, from a project named 'PR-ESP-00327'. The project is located in Lares County, Puerto Rico (shown below).

The approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/@18.29296525,-66.89079278619556,14z>



The following description was provided for the project 'PR-ESP-00327':

## Colmado El Resuelve / Commercial Building

Based on your answers and the assistance of the Service's Caribbean DKey, you determined the proposed Action will have "No Effect" on the following species:

| Species  | Listing Status | Determination |
|--|----------------|---------------|
| Puerto Rican Boa ( <i>Chilabothrus inornatus</i> ) | Endangered     | No effect     |

Thank you for informing the Service of your "No Effect" determination(s) for this project. No further consultation/coordination for this project is required for these species. However, be aware that reinitiation of consultation may be necessary if later modifications are made to the project so that it no longer meets the criteria or outcome described above, or if new information reveals effects of the action that could affect listed species or critical habitat in a manner or to an extent not previously considered, or if a new species is listed.

This letter serves as documentation of your consideration of the federally listed species as required under section 7 of the ESA. However, effects to the other federally listed species or critical habitat as listed below from the "IPaC print-out for the project" (see below) should be considered as part of your ESA review for the project.

The Service will notify you within 30 calendar days if we determine that this proposed Action does not meet the criteria for a "No Effect" (NE) determination for Federally listed species in the Caribbean. If we do not notify you within that timeframe, you may proceed with the Action under the terms of the NE concurrence provided here. This verification period allows the Caribbean Ecological Services Field Office to apply local knowledge to evaluate the Action, as we may identify a small subset of actions having unanticipated impacts. In such instances, the Caribbean Ecological Services Field Office may request additional information to verify the effects determination reached through the DKey.

**Note:** Projects located within the range of the Puerto Rican boa or the Virgin Islands tree boa might encounter these species during project activities. **This letter does not provide take to handle or move these species.** If relocation of the species is needed, please contact either the Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources (DNER) at 787-724-5700, 787-230-5550, or 787-771-1124 for projects in Puerto Rico, or the Virgin Islands Department of Planning and Natural Resources, Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) at 340-775-6762 for projects in the Virgin Islands. Otherwise, contact the Caribbean Ecological Services Field Office (caribbean\_es@fws.gov) to determine whether the consultation needs to be reinitiated.

If the proposed project is located within species range where a DKey has not been developed for those species, please follow the established guidance for initiating section 7 consultation Caribbean Ecological Services Field Office.

We appreciate your interest in protecting endangered species and their habitats. It is the Service's mission to work with others to conserve, protect, and enhance fish, wildlife, and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of our people. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact our office at Caribbean\_es@fws.gov.



**Action Description**

You provided to IPaC the following name and description for the subject Action.

**1. Name**

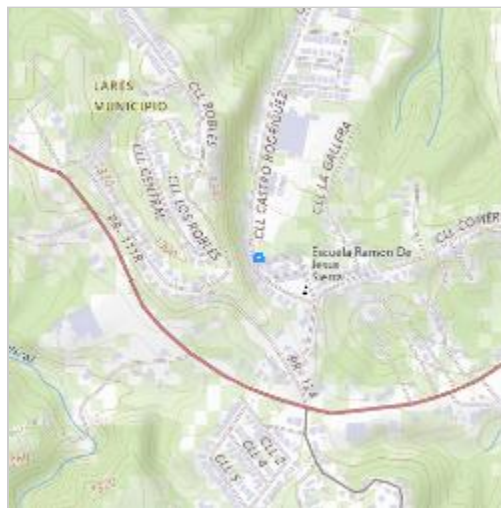
PR-ESP-00327

**2. Description**

The following description was provided for the project 'PR-ESP-00327':

Colmado El Resuelve / Commercial Building

The approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/@18.29296525,-66.89079278619556,14z>



## QUALIFICATION INTERVIEW

1. Is the proposed project an EPA Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) renewal for an existing project? ([MSGP Fact Sheet](#))

*No*

2. Is the proposed project within an urban developed area? (i.e., cities, downtowns, shopping malls etc.)

**Note:** Urban and developed areas has one or more of the following characteristics: Presence of existing buildings, residential areas, and commercial establishments. Well-established infrastructure including roads, utilities, and urban facilities. High population density. Established neighborhoods and urban amenities ("urbanizaciones"). Developed landscape with paved surfaces, parking lots, and industrial areas. Signs of human activity and urbanization, such as shopping centers and recreational facilities. Location within the boundaries of a city or town ("casco urbano"). High concentration of built-up structures and limited open spaces. Aerial imagery might be requested to the applicant. .

*Yes*

3. [Hidden Semantic] Does the proposed project intersect the Puerto Rican boa area of influence?

**Automatically answered**

*Yes*

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## **Appendix D:** USFWS Species Analysis



## U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE CARIBBEAN ECOLOGICAL SERVICES FIELD OFFICE

### Conservation Measures for the Puerto Rican boa (*Chilabothrus inornatus*)

Section 7 (a)(1) of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) charges Federal agencies to aid in the conservation of listed species, and section 7 (a)(2) requires the agencies, through consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), to ensure their activities are not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of listed species or adversely modify designated critical habitats. Section 7 applies to the management of Federal lands as well as Federal actions that may affect federally listed species, such as Federal approval of private activities through the issuance of Federal funding, permits, licenses, or other actions. Any person that injures, captures, or kills a Puerto Rico boa is subject to penalties under the ESA. If Federal funds or permits are needed, the funding or permitting agency should initiate Section 7 consultation with the Service. To initiate a consultation under the Section 7 of the ESA, you must submit a project package with the established minimum requirements. These conservation measures should be incorporated into the project plans to minimize possible impacts to the species.

The endangered Puerto Rican (PR) boa (*Chilabothrus inornatus*, formerly *Epicrates inornatus*) is the largest endemic snake species that inhabits Puerto Rico. The PR boa is non-venomous and does not pose any life threatening danger to humans, but some individuals may try to bite if disturbed or during capture or handling. Its body color ranges from tan to dark brown with irregular diffuse marking on the dorsum, but some individuals lack marking and are uniformly dark. Juveniles may have a reddish color with more pronounced markings. In general, as they mature, their body color tends to darken.



The PR boa was federally listed in 1970. Currently, the species has an island-wide distribution and occurs in a wide variety of habitat types, ranging from wet montane to subtropical dry forest and can be found from mature forest to areas with different degrees of human disturbance such as roadsides or houses, especially if near their habitat in rural areas. The PR boa is considered mostly nocturnal, remaining less active, concealed or basking under the sun during the day.

The Service has developed the following conservation measures with the purpose of assisting others to avoid or minimize adverse effects to the PR boa and its habitat. These recommendations may be incorporated into new project plans and under certain circumstances into existing projects. Depending on the project, additional conservation measures can be implemented besides the ones presented in this document.

#### Conservation Measures:

1. Inform all project personnel about the potential presence of the PR boa in areas where the proposed work will be conducted. A pre-construction meeting should be conducted to inform all project personnel about the need to avoid harming the species as well as penalties for harassing or harming PR boas. An educational poster or sign with photo or illustration of the species should be displayed at the project site.
2. Prior to any construction activity, including removal of vegetation and earth movements, the boundaries of the project and areas to be excluded and protected should be clearly marked in the project plan and in the field in order to avoid further habitat degradation into forested and conservation areas.
3. Once areas are clearly marked, and prior to the use of heavy machinery and any construction activity (including removal of vegetation and earth movement), a biologist or project personnel with experience on this species should survey the areas to be cleared to verify the presence of any PR boa within the work area.
4. If a PR boa is found within any of the working or construction areas, activities should stop at that area and information recorded (see #5). **Do not capture the boa.** If boas need to be moved out of harm's way, designated personnel shall immediately contact the Puerto Rico Department of Natural and Environmental Resources (PRDNER) Rangers for safe capture and relocation of the animal (PRDNER phone #s: (787) 724-5700, (787) 230-5550, (787) 771-1124). **If immediate relocation is not an option, project-related activities at that area must stop until the boa moves out of harm's way on its own.** Activities at other work sites, where no boas have been found after surveying the area, may continue.
5. For all boa sightings (dead or alive), record the time and date of the sighting and the specific location where it was found. PR boa data should also include a photo of the animal (dead or alive), site GPS coordinates, the time and date, and comments on how the animal was detected and its behavior.



6. If a PR boa is captured by PRDNER personnel, record the name of that person and information on where the PR boa will be taken. This information should be reported to the Service.
7. Measures should be taken to avoid and minimize PR boa casualties by heavy machinery or motor vehicles being used on site. Any heavy machinery left on site (staging) or near potential PR boa habitat (within 50 meters of potential boa habitat), needs to be thoroughly inspected each morning before work starts to ensure that no boas have sheltered within engine compartments or other areas of the equipment. If PR boas are found within vehicles or equipment, do not capture the animal, and let it move on its own or call PRDNER Rangers for safe capture and relocation of the animal (see #4). If not possible, the animal should be left alone until it leaves the vehicle on its own.
8. PR boas may seek shelter in debris piles. Measures should be taken to avoid and minimize boa casualties associated with sheltering in debris piles as a result of project activities. Debris piles should be placed far away from forested areas. Prior to moving, disposing or shredding, debris piles should be carefully inspected for the presence of boas. If debris piles will be left on site, we recommend they be placed in areas that will not be disturbed in the future.
9. If a dead PR boa is found, immediately cease all work in that area and record the information accordingly (see #5). If the PR boa was accidentally killed as part of the project actions, please include information on what conservation measures had been implemented and what actions will be taken to avoid further killings. A dead boa report should be sent by email (see contacts below) to the Service within 48 hours of the event.
10. Projects must comply with all state laws and regulations. Please contact the PRDNER for further guidance.

If you have any questions regarding the above conservation measures, please contact the Service:

- José Cruz-Burgos, Endangered Species Program Coordinator
  - Email: [jose\\_cruz-burgos@fws.gov](mailto:jose_cruz-burgos@fws.gov)
  - Office phone (305) 304-1386
- Jan Zegarra, Fish and Wildlife Biologist
  - Email: [jan\\_zegarra@fws.gov](mailto:jan_zegarra@fws.gov)
  - Office phone (786) 933-1451

## **Appendix 7:** SECTION 106 CONSULTATION PACKAGE

## ENVIRONMENTAL MEMORANDUM

**Date:** 10/21/2025

**Program:** Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-DR): Electrical Power Reliability and Resilience Program (ER2)

**To:** Environmental Review Record (ERR) File

**Subject:** Explanation of Conflicting Information within the ERR

**Applicant Name:** Colmado El Resuelve (Luis Acevedo Jimenez)

**Application Number:** PR-ESP-00327

This memorandum serves to provide an explanation as to the presence of conflicting pieces of information within the Environmental Review Record (ERR) file.

Conflicting Information:

- ☐ Coordinates
- ☒ Parcel ID/Cadaster Number
- ☐ Address
- ☐ Municipio
- ☐ Construction Date
- ☐ Applicant Name
- ☐ Other:

Location (s) of Conflicting Information:

Section 106 Consultation package

Explanation:

This memorandum serves to clarify that the cadaster number listed in the Section 106 Consultation package was entered incorrectly (158-058-046-33-002). The correct cadaster number for the property is 158-058-046-33-000. However, this does not affect the project since the work to be performed remains on the same property, so returning the case for re-consultation is not necessary.





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September 16, 2025

**Kristin P. Sanders**

HORNE- Historic Preservation Manager

269 Avenida Ponce de León

San Juan, PR 00917

**SHPO-CF-09-08-25-05 - PRDOH CDBG-DR\_ESP Program\_20250908\_2**

**Projects\_NHPA**

Dear Ms. Sanders,

Our Office has received and reviewed the above referenced project in accordance with 54 USC 306108 (commonly known as Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended) and 36 CFR Part 800: Protection of Historic Properties from the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

Our records support your finding of no historic properties affected within the following projects' area of potential effects:

1. Lares, PR-ESP-00327, Calle Emilio Castro Núm. 4
2. San Juan, PR-ESP-00281, Urb. Fairview D-38 Carr. 845

If you have any questions concerning our comments, do not hesitate to contact our Office.



Sincerely,



**Carlos A. Rubio Cancela**

State Historic Preservation Officer

CARC/GMO/YC



September 8, 2025

Carlos A. Rubio Cancela  
Director Ejecutivo  
Oficina Estatal de Conservación Histórica  
Cuartel de Ballajá (Tercer Piso)  
San Juan, PR 00902-3935

**PUERTO RICO DISASTER RECOVERY, CDBG-DR PROGRAM: ENERGY POWER RELIABILITY AND RESILIENCE/DDEC ENERGY SUPPORT PROGRAM (ESP)**

**SECTION 106 NHPA EFFECT DETERMINATION SUBMITTAL – TWO (2) NON-HISTORIC CASES – *NO HISTORIC PROPERTIES AFFECTED***

Dear Architect Rubio Cancela,

In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR Part 800, HORNE is providing information for your review and requesting your concurrence regarding the above-referenced projects on behalf of the Puerto Rico Department of Housing (PRDOH) and the Energy Power Reliability and Resilience/DDEC Energy Support Program (ESP). On February 9, 2018, an allocation of Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds was approved by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Federal Register Volume 83, No. 28, 83 FR 5844, to assist the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico in meeting unmet needs in the wake of Hurricanes Irma and Maria. On August 14, 2018, an additional \$8.22 billion recovery allocation was allocated to Puerto Rico under the Federal Register Volume 83, No. 157, 83 FR 40314. With these funding allocations, the Puerto Rico Department of Housing (Housing) aims to lead a comprehensive and transparent recovery for the benefit of Puerto Rico residents.

The purpose of the ESP is to benefit Puerto Rican communities by funding projects that enhance electric system reliability, affordability, and resiliency. The Program's design will be carried out through the development and interconnection of microgrids and distributed energy resources, including renewable energy generation, combined heat and power (CHP) systems, photovoltaic systems (PVS), and battery storage systems (BSS), among other eligible project types.



On behalf of PRDOH, we are submitting the following two (2) cases for Section 106 consultation as it cannot be cleared with Programmatic Agreement allowances. These cases consist of the installation of PV systems with battery backup systems. The prepared excel file presents all information for these properties for your review including the ESP Case ID, locational data, photographs, a link to the google map, key dates and supporting imagery, and the PRDOH Eligibility and Effect Determinations.

| Municipality | Case ID      | Street Address               |
|--------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Lares        | PR-ESP-00327 | CALLE EMILIO CASTRO NUM 4    |
| San Juan     | PR-ESP-00281 | URB. FAIRVIEW D-38 CARR. 845 |

The properties are not individually eligible, listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) or located within or adjacent to an eligible or listed Historic District. A recommendation of "No Historic Properties Affected", pursuant to 36 CFR 800.4(d)(1), has been made for these proposed projects.

We look forward to your review and concurrence. Please contact me with any questions or concerns by email at [kristin.sanders@horne.com](mailto:kristin.sanders@horne.com) or phone at 225-276-2109.











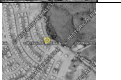
Kindest regards,



**Kristin P. Sanders**

Historic Preservation Manager

Enclosures

| <div><div></div><div><b>Puerto Rico Department of Housing</b><br/><b>CDBG-DR ENERGY POWER RELIABILITY AND RESILIENCE/DDEC ENERGY SUPPORT PROGRAM (ESP)</b><br/><b>Improvements to Non-Historic Properties: Properties 45 Years or Greater, Not Individually Eligible or Listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), and Neither Adjacent to Nor Located Within an Eligible or Listed NRHP Historic District</b><br/><b>Proposed Undertakings Consist of the Installation of Photovoltaic Systems (PVS) and a Battery Storage Systems (BSS) on the Roof of the Subject Building</b><br/><b>SUBMISSION DATE: September 8, 2025 - 2 Cases</b></div></div> |                               |              |                  |          |            |         |                   |   |   |   |  |   |            |  |   |                                  |                                    |                                 |               |   |
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| PROPERTY INFORMATION   |                               |              |                  |          |            |         |                   |   |   |   |  |   |            |  |   |                                  |                                    |                                 |               |   |
| CASE ID  | STREET ADDRESS                | MUNICIPALITY | PARCEL ID        | LATITUDE | LONGITUDE  | ACREAGE | ESTIMATED FUNDING | PHOTO (Current Aerial Imagery and up to 3 photos: front, right, left)             |   |   |  | <a href="#">LINK TO DOCUMENT PAGE</a>   | KEY DATES  | NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY  |   | PROHIBITORY EFFECT DETERMINATION | SHPO CONCURRENCE / SHPO USE EFFECT | DETERMINATION OF EFFECT         | SHPO COMMENTS |   |
|  |                               |              |                  |          |            |         |                   |   |   |   |  |   |            |  |   |                                  |                                    |                                 |               |   |
| PE-ESP-00287   | CALLE EMILIO CASTRO NÚM. 4    | Lajas        | 19-058-046-33-01 | 18.29294 | -66.890803 | 0.09    | \$27,000          |  |  |  |  | <a href="https://www.prd.gov/Document/496264">https://www.prd.gov/Document/496264</a> | Circa 1960 | Structure is present in 1967 Earth Explorer (earliest imagery)                 |  | Ineligible                       | Select Eligibility                 | No Historic Properties Affected | Select Effect | Prepared by Jorga L Lizardi Pollock, PhD and approved by Elizabeth Atkins, M.A. on 7/31/2025. |
| PE-ESP-00288   | URB. FAIRVIEW D-38 CASO. S-65 | San Juan     | 15-035-601-29-01 | 18.36285 | -66.09385  | 0.13    | \$50,000          |  |  |  |  | <a href="https://www.prd.gov/Document/496264">https://www.prd.gov/Document/496264</a> | Circa 1965 | Structure is present in 1967 aerial imagery but absent on 1962 aerial imagery. |  | Ineligible                       | Select Eligibility                 | No Historic Properties Affected | Select Effect | Prepared by Jorga L Lizardi Pollock, PhD and approved by Elizabeth Atkins, M.A. on 7/31/2025. |



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**RE: Authorization for Grant Management (GM) to Conduct the Required Environmental Consultations with Federal and Local Agencies on PRDOH's Behalf**

Dear Mr. El Hage,

Provisions at 24 C.F.R. Part 58 establish the environmental review procedures for entities assuming the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (**HUD**) environmental responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (**NEPA**) and other applicable laws. The Puerto Rico Department of Housing (**PRDOH**), as the designated CDBG-DR/MIT grantee, has assumed HUD's environmental responsibilities under NEPA and related laws (**Responsible Entity**) by directly implementing multiple CDBG-DR/MIT projects.

One of the Responsible Entity's many responsibilities under 24 C.F.R. Part 58 is consulting with State, Federal, and non-federal entities in preparing an Environmental Review Record (**ERR**). Regarding a Responsible Entity's interactions with State, Federal, and non-Federal entities, 24 C.F.R. § 58.14 states that:

*A responsible entity shall consult with appropriate environmental agencies, State, Federal and non-Federal entities and the public in the preparation of an EIS, EA or other environmental reviews undertaken under the related laws and authorities cited in § 58.5 and § 58.6. [...].*

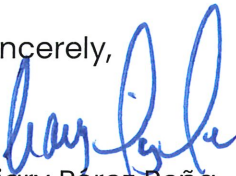


In conducting its role as a Responsible Entity that directly undertakes a project, as per 24 C.F.R. § 58.4(b)(1), PRDOH *"must assume the environmental review responsibilities for the State's activities **and those of any non-governmental entity that may participate in the project.**"* Accordingly, a Responsible Entity may delegate certain tasks in the preparation of ERRs but retains full legal responsibility for compliance with environmental requirements.

To effectively manage available environmental resources and expedite the preparation of ERRs, PRDOH—as Responsible Entity—wishes to delegate the task of consulting with State, Federal, and non-Federal entities contained in 24 C.F.R. § 58.14. Therefore, PRDOH hereby authorizes Alberto Mercado Vargas, GM Environmental SME, or his authorized representative) to conduct on its behalf the environmental consultations with Federal and local agencies required to prepare ERRs for the implementation of CDBG-DR and CDBG-MIT projects, while still maintaining the ultimate and full legal responsibility for compliance with environmental requirements. This authorization extends to both early and formal consultations before Federal agencies such as the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (**USFWS**) and the State Historic Preservation Office (**SHPO**), among others required for compliance with applicable laws and regulations as established in 24 C.F.R. § 58.14 and § 58.5. GM should include and copy the PRDOH Environmental Division in all communications with Federal and local agencies for these purposes.

PRDOH appreciates GM's commitment to Puerto Rico's recovery and is confident in its ability to execute this task effectively. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,



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