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§ 102-83.45 Where may Executive agencies find guidance on appealing GSA's decisions and recommendations concerning delineated areas?

GSA's PBS provides guidance in its Customer Guide to Real Property on the process for appealing GSA's decisions and recommendations concerning delineated areas.

RURAL AREAS

§ 102-83.50 What is the Rural Development Act of 1972?

The Rural Development Act of 1972, as amended (7 U.S.C. 2204b-1), directs Federal agencies to develop policies and procedures to give first priority to the location of new offices and other Federal facilities in rural areas. The intent of the Rural Development Act is to revitalize and develop rural areas and to help foster a balance between rural and urban America.

§ 102-83.55 What is a rural area?

As defined in 7 U.S.C. 1991(a)(13)(A), rural area means any area other than—

(a) A city or town that has a population of greater than 50,000 inhabitants; and

(b) The urbanized area contiguous and adjacent to such a city or town.

§ 102-83.60 What is an urbanized area?

An urbanized area is a statistical geographic area defined by the Census Bureau, consisting of a central place(s) and adjacent densely settled territory that together contain at least 50,000 people, generally with an overall population density of at least 1,000 people per square mile.

§ 102-83.65 Are Executive agencies required to give first priority to the location of new offices and other facilities in rural areas?

Yes, Executive agencies must give first priority to the location of new offices and other facilities in rural areas in accordance with the Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2204b-1), unless their mission or program requirements call for locations in an urban area. First priority to the location of new offices and other facilities in rural areas must be given in accordance with the

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hierarchy specified in § 102-79.55 of this chapter.

URBAN AREAS

§ 102-83.70 What is Executive Order 12072?

Executive Order 12072, entitled “Federal Space Management,” requires all Executive agencies that have a mission requirement to locate in an urban area to give first consideration to locating Federal facilities in central business areas, and/or adjacent areas of similar character, to use them to make downtowns attractive places to work, conserve existing resources, and encourage redevelopment. It also directs Executive agencies to consider opportunities for locating cultural, educational, recreational, or commercial activities within the proposed facility.

§ 102-83.75 What is Executive Order 13006?

Executive Order 13006, entitled “Locating Federal Facilities on Historic Properties in Our Nation's Central Cities,” requires all Executive agencies that have a mission requirement to locate in an urban area to give first consideration to locating Federal facilities in historic buildings and districts within central business areas. It also directs Executive agencies to remove regulatory barriers, review their policies, and build new partnerships with the goal of enhancing participation in the National Historic Preservation program.

§ 102-83.80 What is an urban area?

Urban area means any metropolitan area (MA) as defined by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in OMB Bulletin No. 99-04, or succeeding OMB Bulletin, that does not meet the definition of rural area in § 102-83.55.

§ 102-83.85 What is a central business area?

Central business area (CBA) means the centralized community business area and adjacent areas of similar character, including other specific areas that may be recommended by