

Rural Development

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SUBJECT: Evidence of Significant Community Support for Essential **Community Facilities Projects**

PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

This Administrative Notice (AN) continues the requirement to obtain certificates of community support as stated in section 381I, of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (CONACT), (7 U.S.C. 2009h).

<u>COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN</u>:

This AN replaces RD AN 4675 (1942-A, 3570-B, and 3575-A), dated September 10, 2012, which expired September 30, 2013.

IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES:

As part of the application process, section 381I of the CONACT requires evidence of significant community support in the form of a certification of support for each project or facility from any affected local government body. The certificate is required for all Community Facilities guaranteed loans, direct loans, and grants.

EXPIRATION DATE: February 28, 2018

FILING INSTRUCTIONS: Preceding RD Instructions 1942-A, 3570-B, and 3575-A

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The certificate of support should include sufficient information to determine that a community facility will provide needed services to the community and will have no adverse impact on other community facilities providing similar services. The organization is required to provide sufficient information to affected local governments as may be needed to obtain the certificate of support.

For questions concerning this AN, please contact Karla Peiffer, Asset Risk Management Specialist, Community Facilities, karla.peiffer@wdc.usda.gov.