Government Shutdown Impact

U.S. Bank Home Mortgage MRBP (USBHM) is committed to providing service to our customers during the current Federal Government shut down. For the short term, U.S. Bank Home Mortgage (MRBP) is implementing the following guideline changes during the period of time the government is shut down as follows:

4506T IRS Tax Transcript:

The IRS will not issue tax return transcripts (Form 4506 T). For the short term, we will temporarily cease the requirement for tax transcripts. However, we will require that the form 4506 T still be executed by the borrower(s) and contained in the file for future use.

Please note: USBHM will re verify income with the IRS on all files delivered without tax transcripts due to the shutdown. This policy will be strictly adhered to.

Rural Housing:

USDA has ceased all but essential functions therefore USBHM will not purchase any USDA / Guaranteed Rural Housing (Program #3001) loans without a guarantee and/or Conditional Commitment.

HUD/FHA:

The Department of Housing and Urban Development’s (HUD) operations, specifically the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), should not be significantly impacted as long as the shutdown is brief. In a document issued September 27, 2013 HUD indicated:

- Lenders will be able to obtain an FHA case number from the FHA Connection.
- Caivrs will be available.
- FHA Total Scorecard will be available.
- FHA will be able to endorse single family loans during shutdown.
- FHA will collect the UFMIPs during a shutdown.
- Lenders are required to submit monthly MIPS to FHA.
- Limited FHA staff will be available to respond to questions, emails, or other correspondence.
- If a Lender submits loans for approval, if the lender is in pre-closing, FHA staff will not be available to underwrite and approve loans (test cases).
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- FHA staff will not be available to perform Condominium approvals.
- FHA will not recertify or approve new lenders during the shutdown.

**VA:**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) will continue to operate which means we will be able to continue accepting VA-guaranteed loans. Both lenders and borrowers will be able to obtain their Certificate of Eligibility online (webLGY for lenders, and eBenefits for Veterans), and they will still be able to submit applications and follow up on COEs that require more research with the Atlanta Eligibility Center. Remitting funding fees through the Funding Fee Payment System (FFPS) will continue. There may be a delay in appraisal processing due to temporary staff reductions.

**FEMA Flood Insurance:**

The ability to obtain flood insurance will not be significantly impacted. However, it is likely that mapping issues or amendments will be impacted by the shutdown.

U.S. Bank Home Mortgage will continue to assess and update guidance on the government shutdown. A shutdown lasting a few days would cause slight delays or inconvenience in the ability to underwrite, close/fund and or purchase loans however a longer period would have more serious impacts.