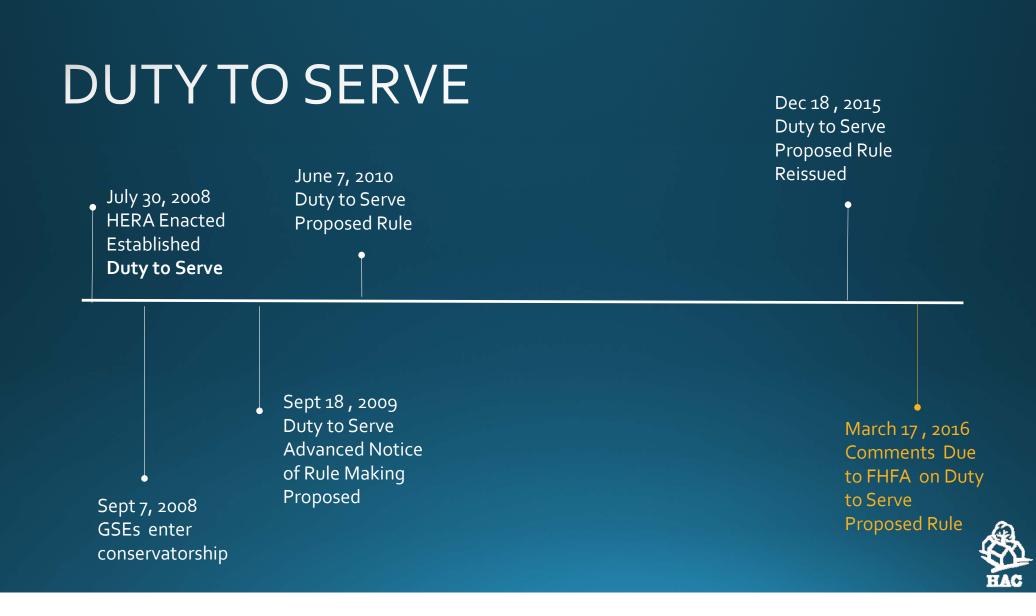
and What it Means for Rural America



- 2008 Housing and Economic Recovery Act
- GSEs (Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac)
- Duty to Serve "Underserved Markets"
- Increase liquidity and investment capital in these markets
- Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA)





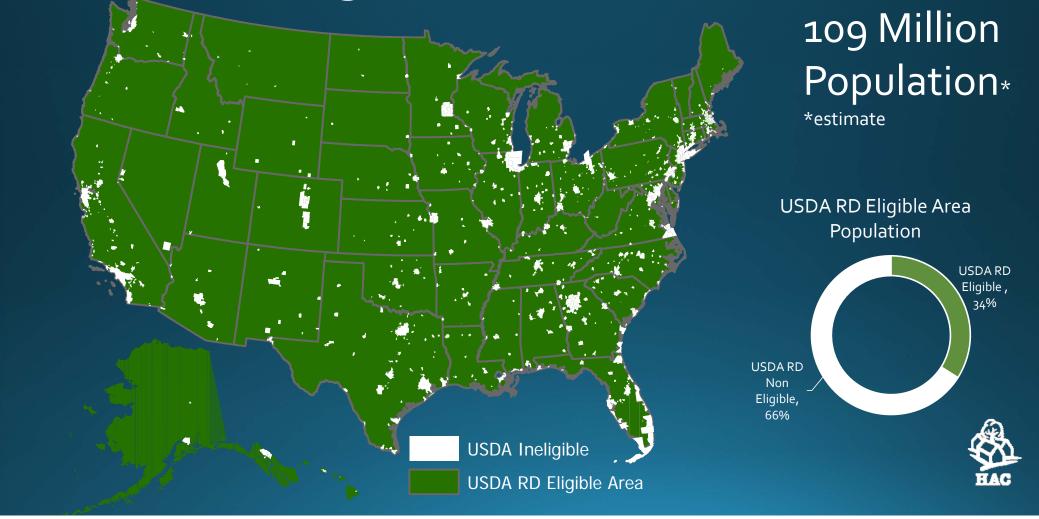
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- 2. Housing Preservation
- 3. Manufactured Housing



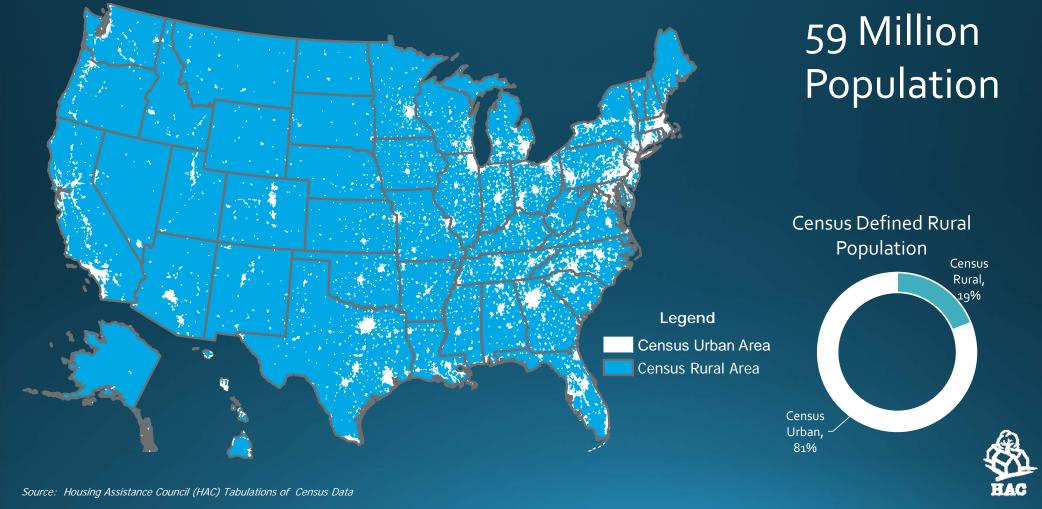
- RURAL MARKET CORE ACTIVITY
- "define eligible activities for the rural market as Enterprise activities that facilitate a secondary market for mortgages on residential properties for very low, low-, or moderate income families in rural areas." (section 1282.35(b)).



## **USDA-RD** Eligible Areas



#### **Census Defined Rural Areas**



#### **CFPB** Rural Area

Adjacency to OMB Metropolitan Areas

Urban Influence codes

• Rural "Blocks"



• "RURAL AREA" Definition (Section 1281.1)

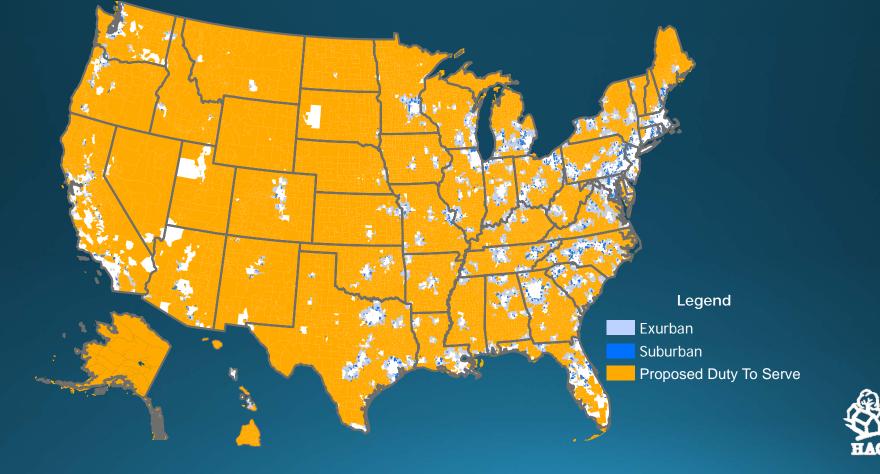
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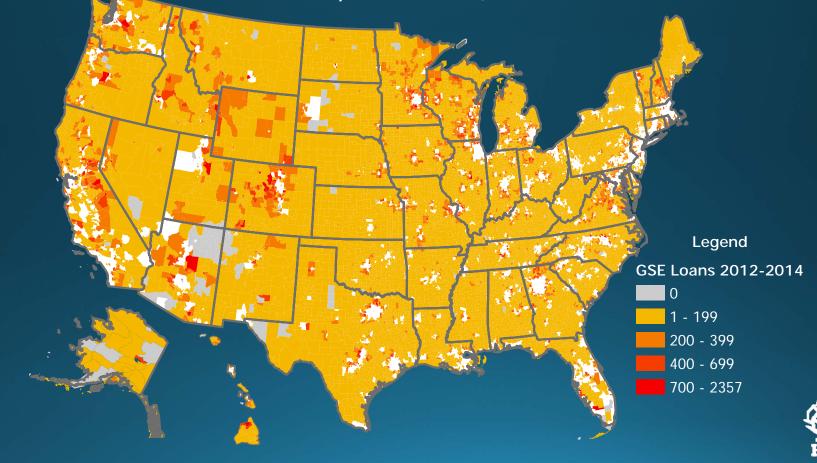




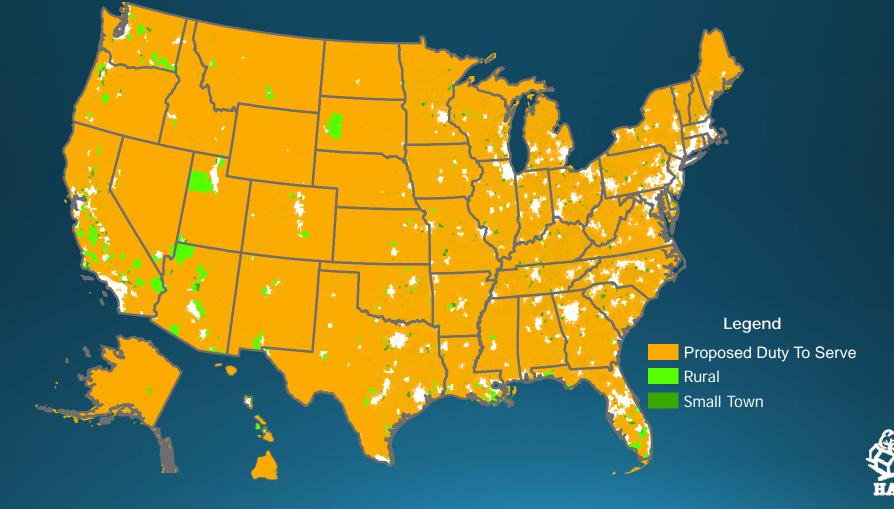
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GSE Activity 2012-2014







Census Tract Look-up Resource http://arcg.is/1LvvzqV

FFIEC:

https://geomap.ffiec.gov/FFIECGeocMap/GeocodeMap1.aspx



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- 70. Would one of the four definitions discussed above better serve Duty to Serve objectives, and if so, why?
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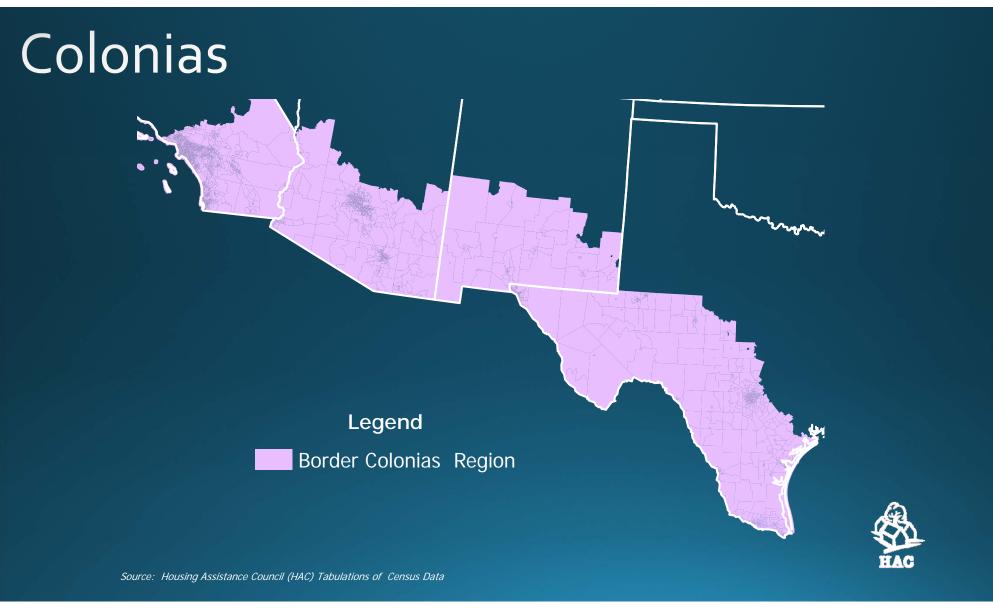
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- Lower Mississippi Delta
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- Native American Lands
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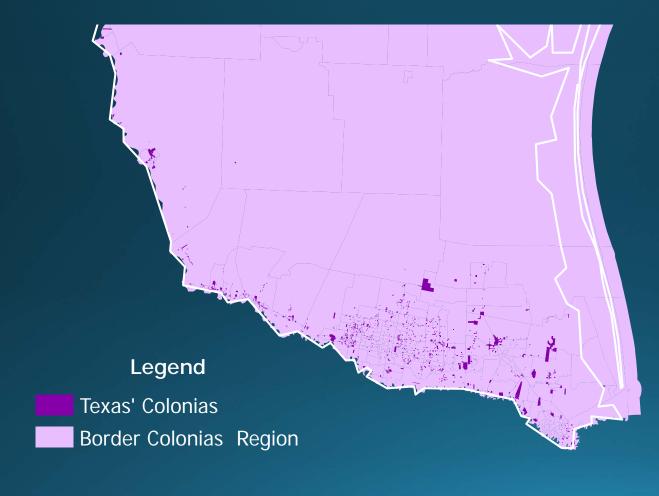


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## Colonias





## Federally Recognized Indian Tribe Located in an Indian Area



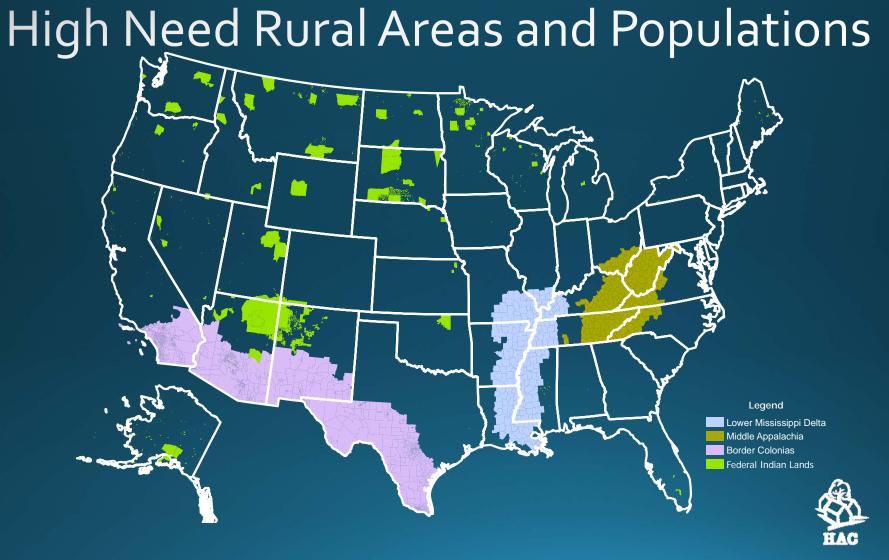


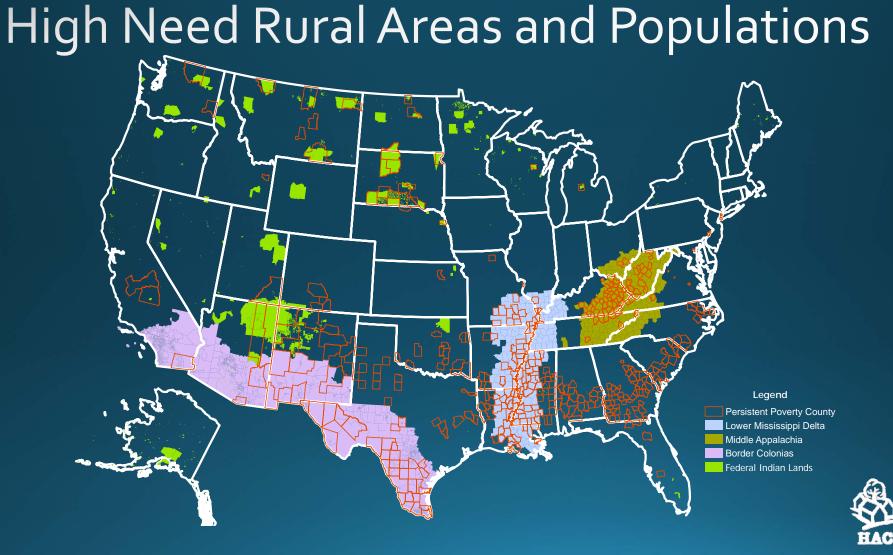
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## Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker

- Department of Labor (DOL) Definition
- "Migrant" Agricultural Workers
  - Generally absent overnight
- "Seasonal" Agricultural Workers
  - Not absent overnight, but transported by day-haul operation







- Requests for Comments
- 72. Should Enterprise support for housing for high-needs rural regions and high-needs rural populations be a Regulatory Activity?
- 73. What activities could the Enterprises undertake to provide liquidity and other support to high needs rural regions and highneeds rural populations?
- 74. How should FHFA define "colonia" for Duty to Serve purposes?



- Requests for Comments
- 75. How should FHFA define "member of an Indian tribe," "Federally recognized Indian tribe," and "Indian Area" for Duty to Serve purposes?
- 76. What specific actions could the Enterprises take to assist the needs of migrant and seasonal agricultural workers?
- 77. Are there high-needs rural regions and/or high needs rural populations in addition to those identified above that should be included in this section, and, if so, how should they be defined to receive duty to serve credit?



- Requests for Comments
- 78. How might loan sellers and the Enterprises collect data establishing that housing to be financed would specifically benefit migrant and seasonal agricultural workers?
- 79. Should FHFA define "high-needs populations" to include other categories of agricultural workers with high-needs housing issues in addition to seasonal and migrant agricultural workers? Should FHFA include agricultural workers in permanent annual employment in the definition?



 Link to Proposed Rule: <u>https://www.fhfa.gov/SupervisionRegulation/Rules/Pages/Enterprise-Duty-to-Serve-Underserved-Markets-Proposed-Rule.aspx</u>





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