APPENDIX C: SUMMARY OF CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Public Hearing – June 3, 2026

No attendees, no comments received.

Public Comment Period April 30, 2026 – May 30, 2026

1 public comment received.

Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources (DEHCR) Responses to Public Hearing Comments

	Commenter	Comment	DEHCR Response
1	Kim Cable, Director of Program Development, Couleecap	Hi, I have some comments for your consideration: For ESG funded programs, there should be some flexibility for adhering to Fair Market Rents, particularly in the rural counties of the state. Finding housing in these counties is difficult at best and the rent prices have climbed steadily since COVID. We find it very difficult to secure housing, and I would consider FMR to be a barrier in itself, for low income households in rural districts. Allowing a certain amount of flexibility (like within 10% or 20% of FMR) would allow for people to secure housing, when currently the FMR causes barriers to housing in these counties. Thank you for your consideration. **Kim Cable** Pronouns: she/her/hers Director of Program Development ✆ phone: 608-787-9890 ✆ cell: 608-797-0807 ✉ email: kim.cable@couleecap.org *www.couleecap.org*	DEHCR shares your concerns regarding the rise in housing insecurity in general as well as the need for flexibility for adhering to Fair Market Rents. DEHCR has shared its concerns with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and is working to obtain additional flexibility to address this issue.