

Program:	Weatherization Readiness Funds – Expansion of Scope	MHN #	2023-06
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This MaineHousing Notice #2023-06 is being issued to notify CAAs of changes the Department of Energy has made regarding the use of Weatherization Readiness Funds.

1. Expansion of Scope of Weatherization Readiness Funds – Department of Energy Weatherization Program Notice 23-4

- WRF are allowed to be carried forward into the next budget periods within the same grant cycle. (e.g., Program Year 2022 can be carried into Program Year 2023).
- The use of WRF does not need to result in a DOE-funded completed unit within the same PY but must be reported as a completed DOE unit within the same grant cycle and within a reasonable time. The reasonable time set forth is 6-9 months. Any exceptions to this will require an approved waiver from MaineHousing.
- WRF are allowed to be utilized on an annual-formula-funded and BIL-funded weatherization projects.
- CAAs are required to track all WRF jobs separately in HEAT. All WRF jobs must utilize the specific WRF measures designated in HEAT. All WRF funded jobs must have a copy of the original deferral in HEAT and be on the CAAs Deferral Tracking Report that is sent in quarterly. Job numbers will be labeled as follows: job number WRF, example 008675309 WRF.
- DOE provided WRF must be used before you can use HARP WRF. The two funding sources can be braided together but a HARP waiver is required.

2. Expansion of Repair Types

DOE is allowing WRF to be used for additional purposes:

- Clean-up or remediation beyond typical scope of WAP
 - 1) Lead Paint – 200-200-0045
 - 2) Asbestos (confirmed or suspected, including vermiculite), mold and/or moisture. – 200-200-0050
 - 3) Other – This is intended for homes that have a lot of things in the way of doing needed work effectively. When using this measure, itemizing the scope of work being performed in the comments is required. An example includes hiring a junk removal or moving company or renting a dumpster. – 200-200-0055

3. Notice Contact

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