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## **HANO Begins Demolition of Vacant Scattered Site Properties**

New Orleans, LA (September 22, 2015) - Last week, The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) began demolishing structures on vacant scattered site properties in an effort to eradicate blight and to commence the redevelopment of more than 200 sites across the City. Demolition procedures include asbestos abatement, and the razing of vacant, inhabitable buildings located on several scattered site lots.

HANO recently launched the Scattered Sites Strategy that will allow the agency to utilize its vacant properties as an asset in providing more affordable housing opportunities in the City of New Orleans. The agency issued the first Request for Proposals (RFP) designed to implement the Strategy for approximately 20 properties located in the Marigny/Bywater neighborhood to pre-approved developers in September, calling for innovative and creative redevelopment plans through public-private partnerships. Proposals submitted for consideration should include a minimum of 2/3 affordable and public housing.

**Who**: The Housing Authority of New Orleans

What: Demolition of structures on vacant scattered site properties

When: Demolition procedures began last week

To view the Scattered Sites Strategy visit www.hano.org.











Scattered Site Property at 2522 North Rampart Street Photo Credit: Housing Authority of New Orleans