## **Opportunity Zones Local Input & Priorities Survey Questions**

- 1. Contact Information Form
- 2. Please identify your locality (there will be a dropdown box for you to select).
- 3. Please identify eligible census tracts that are a priority in your community in order of their importance to your long-term economic development strategy. Use the process below to move your census tracts into the order in which you would like them considered. All eligible census tracts should be listed. Using your cursor, slide them over to the provided space to the right and into the order in which you have prioritized them, with the census tract at the top being of greatest priority and the census tract at the bottom of lowest priority. You may refer to this map to help orient your work.
  - Census tracts designated within your locality will be auto-generated for this question once you select your locality from question 2.
- 4. Please write a brief summary explaining why you have prioritized these tracts as you have. In your answer, highlight specific market conditions or revitalization efforts (rezoning; transit oriented development, mixed income/use development, capital improvements, significant public/private site acquisition/transfers, etc.) and connect these with specific tracts using their tract codes.
- 5. Please check off any activities below that your locality is undertaking to promote investment and revitalization in your community that may have some relation to the census tracts you identified.
  - a. Early stage capital investment funds active in your locality (e.g. angel investors, venture capital, etc.)
  - b. Targeted entrepreneurship programs (e.g. business skills training, business incubators, business plan competitions, etc.)
  - c. Comprehensive revitalization strategies
  - d. Future target industrial investment opportunities (Required please describe if checked).
  - e. Current investment opportunities
  - f. Commercialization of research
  - g. technology incubators
  - h. Other Write In (Required)
- 6. Does your locality provide any of the following business incentives in the eligible tracts you have selected?
  - a. Tax abatement
  - b. Fast-track permitting
  - c. Fee reduction
  - d. Special incentive districts (e.g. technology zones, tourism zones, enterprise zones, arts and cultural districts, etc.)
  - e. Local economic development funding/financing
  - f. Other Write In (Required)
- 7. Are there any census tracts that are contiguous to eligible census tracts in your locality that you think should be included in your priority list? Please provide compelling evidence using the criteria referenced above. Please note that Virginia can only include 11 of these contiguous tracts total for the entire state out of the 210 designated census tracts for Opportunity Zones. Please provide the FIPS code for such census tracts.
  - For reference in answering this question, please refer to this map. Zoom in to your area of

interest or use the search bar in the upper left corner of the screen. Eligible Non-LIC Contiguous Tracts appear in gray.

8. Do you have any additional comments?