# "Hybrid Appraisals—Safe or Sorry?"

# A Real Estate and Appraiser CE Course by Melanie McLane

#### Learning Objectives:

- Define a hybrid appraisal
- Revisit concepts of inspection and credible results in USPAP
- *Review AVMs in use in the industry*
- Collateral Underwriter, RPR
- Lending industry influence
- Areas of risk
- Discuss pros and cons
- *E* & *O* insurance: are you covered?
- Limiting conditions
- Risk/reward

**Definitions:** Hybrid, Desktop, Bifurcated: All names for products other than a traditional interior inspection that ends up with a 1004 URAR report.

This course: Researched data, tried to be objective, will share 'good, bad and ugly'

What is a hybrid appraisal? A hybrid appraisal is a valuation completed by a Licensed/Certified appraiser that mirrors a desktop appraisal in that it has a shorter appraisal form and is performed by an appraiser who typically never visits the property.—Working Real Estate Magazine

**Divided Job** 

Some companies provide software, other tools

Often uses an online form (digital file)

What is driving this?

What are the concerns for appraisers?

How are Desktop Appraisals done?

Property eligibility: not every property is eligible.

One appraiser's viewpoint:

- Time is money
- Can do these reports quickly
- Don't have to leave my desk
- Can comply with USPAP
- Good income stream
- Great way to train an assistant

#### Assignments Vary, can be qualitative, quantitative

**Basic requirements:** 

Additional requirements:

What can you find out about a property without leaving your desk?

Truth or Dare? How many times do you have a pretty good idea about house, neighborhood, etc. *before* you go?

Field Person: What do they do?

Time is money!

How long does this take?

Lender's Side:

- ✓ Many users of appraisal reports
- ✓ Many uses for appraisal reports

- ✓ One size does not fit all
- ✓ Not every property needs a full URAR

### Lender: Time

✓ Time frame for a 'traditional, interior URAR' is still several days

Risk

✓ "Minimal risk loans do not require maximal valuation products"

## Third Party inspection

✓ You may not know who they are

Risk:

First of all, does your insurance cover this????

Why do we inspect?

Extraordinary assumptions and Special assumptions related to a service

Who has to decide?

YOU DO!

Remember forms are not USPAP compliant—appraisers are the ones who comply with USPAP.