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FROM: Maurice L. Anderson, Director, Acting Building Official

SUBJECT: California Green Building Code - Waste Management Plan Approval

The purpose of this notice is to inform contractors, engineers, landowners, agents and other interested parties who work in the unincorporated areas of Lassen County (everything outside of the City of Susanville) of the requirements for submittal and approval of waste management plans in accordance with the 2019, California Green Building Standards Code. As you likely know, approval of a waste management plan is required for certain construction projects. When applicable in accordance with the Green Building Standards Code, submittal and approval of said waste management plan is part of the plan check approval process.

That said, the Department recognizes that recycling opportunities are limited in Lassen County. While you are expected (and required) to submit a waste management plan for certain projects, you cannot be required to recycle building materials when there is no opportunity to recycle. When submitting your waste management plan you are advised to take advantage of all available recycling opportunities, and provide the required details with said plan. If you are unable to meet California Green Building Standards Code requirements for some (or all) of the requirements due to the lack of recycling opportunities, you will be expected to provide an explanation. This explanation regarding your inability to comply will be a component of your waste management plan and should be labeled accordingly. The explanation need not be overly detailed, but the facts will be verified during the plan check process.

Sections 4.408.1 (Construction waste management) and 4.408.2 (Construction waste management plan) of the Green Building Code authorize Lassen County to approve exceptions to some of the requirements of the waste management plan. If appropriate, we will approve the justification provided in a waste management plan, detailing why you are unable to meet the requirements of the California Green Building Code.

Questions regarding any of the above should be directed to Assistant Director Gaylon F. Norwood by phone at (530) 251-8269; by email at landuse@co.lassen.ca.us or by appointment at 707 Nevada Street, Suite 5, Susanville, CA 96130.

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