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SUBJECT: 1. Sprinkler Plan Submittal Requirements  
 2. 2019 California Building Standards Code Enforcement (Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations)  
 3. California Energy Code and California Green Building Code Requirements

***Sprinkler Plans:***

The purpose of this notice is to inform contractors who work in Lassen County, engineers, landowners, agents and other interested parties that this Department has modified the requirements for submittal of plans and building permit applications for single family residences and all other buildings that require the installation of sprinkler systems.

Specifically, starting January 1, 2020, sprinkler plans must be submitted as a separate application, associated with the building permit application. This change is necessary because the City of Susanville (by MOU) reviews sprinkler plans and our engineering contractor (Willdan Engineering) generally review all building plans. The Department will continue the current requirement that the building plans and sprinkler plans be submitted simultaneously; deferred submittals are not allowed.

***2019 California Building Standards Code (Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations):***

Also, you may be aware that, effective January 1, 2020, this Department is required by California Health and Safety Code Sections 17922 and 17958 to enforce the 2019 California Building Standards Code (Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations). Said Title is where the California Building Code, California Residential Code, California Electrical Code, California Energy Code, California Green Building Code, California Mechanical Code and California Plumbing Code are found.

We would also like to inform you that in the coming months the Department intends to introduce an ordinance to the Board of Supervisors to amend certain portions of Article 1 (Building Code) of Title 12 of the Lassen County Code. The Department's mandatory enforcement of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations pursuant to the above sections of the Health and Safety Code will be part of the ordinance presented to the Board of Supervisors. Notice will be published in the Lassen County Times at least two weeks prior to the public hearing introducing said ordinance.

***California Energy Code and the California Green Building Code:***

Full enforcement of the 2019 version of California Energy Code and the California Green Building Code will commence January 1, 2020, as required by California Health and Safety Code Sections 17922 and 17958.

Please contact Assistant Director Gaylon F. Norwood in regard to any of the above.

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cc: Board of Supervisors  
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