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MEMORANDUM

TO: Amador County Land Use & Community Development Committee

FROM: Michael W. Israel, Community Development Director

DATE: August 21, 2020

SUBJECT: Proposed Revisions to Amador County Code
Chapter 15.30 - Fire and Life Safety

A few changes to Chapter 15.30, primarily related to the deviation process, are proposed for your review and comment.

Section 15.30.070 B proposes that the application for deviation be filed with the Building Department rather than Public Works. Most deviation applications are linked to building permit applications.

New Sections 15.30.070 D is proposed, making it the responsibility of the property owner to maintain firebreaks, pavement, or any other mitigation measures offered to obtain a deviation from 15.30 requirements. Subsection E is proposed to authorize the director or their designee to verify ongoing maintenance of the mitigation measures.

Additional language is proposed for 15.30.400 A to require demonstration that an easement or similar right to access any area outside the property in order to maintain mitigation measures such as a firebreak.

Language has been deleted from 15.30.430 A.2 such that the permittee would need to maintain the fuel reduction zone extending out to 100 feet from the structure even beyond the property line.

Staff requests feedback and direction.