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SPECIAL BULLETIN 2011-08 FIRE SPRINKLER REQUIREMENTS BUTTE COUNTY

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TO: CMHI Members

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The following item appeared as Item 4.07 on the agenda for consideration by the Butte County Board of Supervisors:

"Request for Direction Regarding Residential Sprinklers Requirement in Mobile/Manufactured Homes – Beginning in 2008, Butte County Fire Department began enforcing the fire flow requirements of the 2007 California Fire Code in all residential occupancies, including mobile/manufactured homes and allowed residential sprinklers as mitigation to insufficient fire flow. In December 2010, the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) issued a letter expressly exempting mobile and manufactured homes from the 2007 California Fire Code fire flow requirement to install residential sprinklers. These regulations can only be imposed to mobile/manufactured homes by local ordinance – action requested – PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF."

Subsequent to an appropriate discussion concerning the cost of sprinkler systems, governments roll and a home owner's right to choose safety measures, the Board **voted unanimously to maintain the exemption for mobile and manufactured homes from the County's fire sprinkler requirement.** This exemption applies to the unincorporated areas of the County.



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