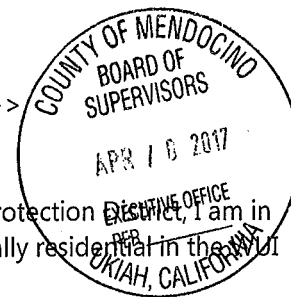


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Hello Michael,



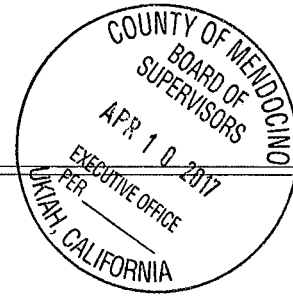
Concerning your request for information; as fire chief for the Little Lake Fire Protection District, I am in favor of any requirements to increase the survivability of all structures, especially residential in the WUI setting.

I do find it challenging that you wish to disregard the importance of the residential sprinkler requirement, placed in effect in California in 2013. It has been my experience that many builders look at the Class K as a way to circumvent that requirement.

One may want to consider the impact that a functioning residential sprinkler system in a residential structure has in preventing a wild-spread conflagration when that structure could become the ignition source for said conflagration. Set backs, construction elements, and fuel modification works both ways, protecting the structure from fire, and protecting the WUI from the residential fire, giving firefighters a buffer zone in which to work.

Sincerely,

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Michael Lockett - Impute on Class K structures

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4/04/17

To: Michael Lockett
Chief Building Official

Mr. Lockett,

I am responding to your letter to all Fire Chiefs regarding Class K structures. I was happy to hear that this ordinance is being reviewed.

I am the Chair of the Fort Bragg Fire Board, and have been a business owner and contractor on the coast for forty years. I am very aware of the

K ordinance and how it was implemented back in the late 1970's. The purpose was to bring all existing buildings into compliance that had been

built without permits prior to 1980. I understand the reasoning behind this ordinance. What is difficult to understand is how a builder of a new

home can evade the existing codes. It is very concerning that the State mandated laws, that were created for life safety, can be completely

disregarded by builders.

It seems to me that this ordinance puts the county at risk.

I strongly feel that we should not have two separate codes for new construction.

Sincerely,

Cas Smith

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