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Thank you so much!!! Jonathan Webb.
How dare they do this without having advertised hearings in front of the whatever sub-committee coming up with the new rules. Monday!! Shame on you, Dan Hamburg for not notifying your constituency.
Shame on you John McCowen, living in a legacy, grandfathered house in Ukiah sans perimeter foundation.
--Class K owner/builder, delighted with my habitat. --beth robinson bosk>

Supervisors McCowen and Hamburg, et al,
I would like to make two comments regarding the revisions to the Class K ordinance.
The fire sprinkler requirement will add a considerable expense to the owner's budget. These systems do add to the safety of the occupants from fires originating inside the home, but do not help with the increasingly likely problem with wildfires. This seems to be a call best made by the owners themselves as it greatly impacts the concept of "affordable".
I assume that if the owner submitted engineering for a code compliant alternative to a perimeter foundation, it would be acceptable. Perhaps some clarification on this matter would be good. Getting large quantities of concrete into more remote areas can be quite an undertaking and systems like treated pole can be engineered very effectively.
Respectfully,
Jonathan Webb
Certified Building Designer, ret.

On Sun, Dec 10, 2017 at 1:35 PM, Norman de Vall
<ndevall@mcn.org<mailto:ndevall@mcn.org>> wrote:

If you are concerned about affordable housing read on:

Class K requirements are being re-written by the Board of Supervisors. Tomorrow the Public Health and Safety Committee will meet to discuss the proposed changes. In summary the requirements are as follows:

- Automatic fire sprinkler systems inside the home
- Residences shall be no larger than 2,000 sq. ft.
- Also required:
 - Perimeter concrete foundations
 - More than one inspection
 - Wild land Urban Interface
 - Minimum of 5 acres

If you have issues with any of these requirements either attend the Committee meeting Monday or write Supervisors Mc Cowen and Hamburg (e-addresses above)

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Summary Of Referral: The items recommended for revision to the Limited density rural Dwelling (Class K) Ordinance are as follows:

An automatic fire sprinkler system shall be required in all new Single Family Residences (SFR).
A new SFR shall be limited to 2,000 square feet of habitable space.
Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) requirements shall be required for all new SFR's.
A perimeter foundation, as required by the California Building Code (CBC), shall be required under all SFR's, and all accessory structures greater than one story in height.
A minimum parcel size of five (5) acres shall be required for any structure.
A completed draft document will be available after the Public Health and Safety Committee has reviewed and approved, or amended the recommendations.
