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Plumas County
Building Department
Commercial & Multi-Residential Application
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Owner Info	Date: _____		Permit #: _____	
	Property Owner _____		*Email: _____	
Site Info	Mailing Address _____		City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	
Project Info	APN _____		Physical address _____	
Builder Info	Community _____		Subdivision _____	
Designer	Snow Load _____ (Roof-Not ground)		Utilities: Water: <input type="checkbox"/> Community <input type="checkbox"/> Well <input type="checkbox"/> Sewer: <input type="checkbox"/> Community <input type="checkbox"/> Septic	
Legal Owner & Agent	Carefully indicate and describe all work for which his permit is requested:			
Signature	Description of Proposed Work _____			
Signature	Applicant designates the following as the "Design Professional in Responsible Charge" ‡			
Signature	Design Professional _____ Lic# _____ Phone: _____ *Email: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____			
Signature	‡ The owner is required to engage and designate a registered design professional who shall act as the registered design professional in responsible charge of the project> (Coordinating all submittal documents & revisions) C.B.C. 106.3.5.1 (See Attached Statement for more detail)			
Signature	Sign and Initial Below: _____ (initial) I am the legal owner of the parcel referenced in this application. _____ (initial) I acknowledge and approve all proposed construction activity applied for in this application as required in California health and Safety Code Sec. 19830 _____ (initial) I designate _____ and authorize _____ to act as my agent and signatory per California Building Code Sec. 105.3.6 for the purpose of securing and perfecting this permit _____ (initial) I certify that I am aware of all conditions, covenants, restrictions, and easements governing this property. When the permit is ready to issue contact: <input type="checkbox"/> Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor or Design Professional in Responsible Charge			
Signature	Signature of property owner		Owner's Printed Signature	
Signature	Signature of authorized agent for owner			

Planning Review

RECORDS

	BOOK	PAGE	APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS
MAP			
CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION			
NOTICE OF VIOLATION			
N/A			

CEQA

EXEMPT § 15061 (B)(3) - *(Not subject to CEQA)*
 §15300.1 - *(Ministerial)*
 §15301 - *(Existing Facilities)*
 §15302 - *(Replacement/ Reconstruction)*
 §15303 - *(New/Conversion small)*
 Other: _____

NON-EXEMPT: ND _____ MND _____ EIR _____

PLOT PLAN REQUIRED
 PERMIT NOT TO BE ISSUED
 FIRE DISTRICT: _____

FLOOD STUDY _____
 FLOOD 8-17.301 - Standards of Construction
 FEMA FLOOD ZONE DESIGNATION: _____

ZONING

PRIMARY ZONING(S): _____

COMBINING ZONE(S): _____

ORD.: _____

PERMITTED USE
 LAWFUL NONCONFORMING USE

APPLICABLE DATE/PERMIT NO.

Administrative Use Permit _____
 Campground Permit _____
 Planned Dev. Permit _____
 Sign Permit _____
 Site Dev. Permit _____
 Special Use Permit _____
 Variance _____

DATE/REQUIREMENTS MET

Design Review _____
 Historic Review _____
 Site Development Review _____
 Scenic Review _____

 Airport Surface _____
 Airport Zone of Influence _____
 Noise Limitation _____

PARKING AND LOADING AREAS

	SPACES				COMPLETED
	REQ	REQ	MOD	PROP	
Parking					
Loading					
Landscaping					SQ. FT.
Paving					
N/A					

HEIGHT:	LIMIT	FT.
PROPOSED	_____	FT.
N/A	_____	
COVERAGE:	LIMIT	% / ACRE
PROPOSED	_____	% / ACRE
N/A	_____	

ACCESS

COUNTY ROAD *ENCROACHMENT PERMIT REQUIRED*
 STATE HWY. *ENCROACHMENT PERMIT REQUIRED*
 PRIVATE ROAD
 DRIVEWAY NEEDED *DRIVEWAY PLAN NEEDED*

YARDS (SETBACKS)

N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	STRUCTURE	FRONT	FRONT	REAR	LEFT	RIGHT
		REQUIRED	PROPOSED	REQUIRED	PROPOSED	REQUIRED

INITIAL REVIEW

ISSUES:

INITIAL REVIEW BY: _____ DATE: _____

FINAL REVIEW

COMMENTS / REQUIREMENTS:

FINAL REVIEW BY: _____ APPROVED DATE: _____

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BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION **FIRE SAFE REGULATIONS**

State Responsibility Area (SRA) and Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ) in Local Responsibility Area (LRA) —Thirty (30) Foot Setback Information—

Determining if Your Parcel is within the SRA or VHFHSZ in LRA

To determine if a property is within the SRA or the VHFHSZ in the LRA, use the Fire Hazard Severity Zone (FHSZ) Viewer on the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) website at <https://egis.fire.ca.gov/FHSZ/>.

Setback for Parcels within the SRA and VHFHSZ in LRA

A parcel within the SRA and VHFHSZ in the LRA is subject to the setback requirement of California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14 Natural Resources (14), Division 1.5 Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Chapter 7 Fire Protection, Subchapter 2 SRA/VHFHSZ Fire Safe Regulations, Article 5 Fuel Modification Standards, Section 1276.01 Setback for Structure Defensible Space, subsection(a), which states:

“§ 1276.01. Setback for Structure Defensible Space.

(a) All parcels shall provide a minimum thirty (30) foot setback for all buildings from all property lines and/or the center of a road.”

Exception to the Thirty (30) Foot Setback – Practical Reasons vs. Preferential Reasons

Various parcels in Plumas County, for “**practical reasons**” (e.g., parcel dimensions or size, topographic limitations, existing easements, other restrictions), may not be able to meet the thirty (30) foot setback as specified by 14 CCR § 1276.01(a). When a parcel is unable to meet the thirty (30) foot setback for “**practical reasons**,” a building permit applicant WILL NOT NEED TO APPLY to the CAL FIRE Lassen-Modoc Unit for an exception request but IS REQUIRED to use a “same practical effect” mitigation option in order to be allowed to reduce the thirty (30) foot setback to the minimum setback of the parcel zoning.

The “same practical effect” options are set forth in 14 CCR § 1276.01(b)(ii) and Plumas County Code (PCC) Sec. 9-2.419(b)(i)-(vi).

See below for “same practical effect” options.

14 CCR § 1276.01(b)(ii)

“(ii) Same practical effect options may include, but are not limited to, noncombustible block walls or fences; five (5) feet of noncombustible material horizontally around the structure; installing hardscape landscaping or reducing exposed windows on the side of the structure with a less than thirty (30) foot setback; or additional structure hardening such as those required in the California Building Code, California Code of Regulations title 24, part 2, Chapter 7A.”

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PCC Sec. 9-2.419(b)(i)-(vi)

- “(i) The building is proposed to be built on a property located within a district that provides structural fire protection and that has an ISO class of 9 or better and the property meets all applicable conditions of that district for provision of structural fire protection by the district; or
- (ii) The construction is for commercial or industrial use consisting of commercial or industrial occupancies meeting the construction standards of the California Building Code; or
- (iii) For all buildings and accessory buildings within thirty (30') feet of the side or rear property lines, all exterior building materials meet the standards of Section 704A and Section 705A Roofing, Ignition-Resistant Construction, Materials and Construction Methods for Exterior Wildfire Exposure, 2013 California Building Code; or
- (iv) The property owner has the right, through easement or similar entitlement, to meet on adjoining property the minimum thirty-foot clearance standards of Public Resources Code Section 4290 and 4921; or
- (v) The side or rear property line is contiguous to a street that provides an area that meets the minimum thirty-foot clearance standards of Public Resources Code Section 4290 and 4291; or
- (vi) The side or rear property line is contiguous to a stream, lake, other body of water or wetland that provides an area that meets the minimum thirty-foot clearance standards of Public Resources Code Section 4290 and 4291.”

When a parcel is able to meet the thirty (30) foot setback; however, for “**preferential reasons**” the applicant prefers to site the structure in a certain location on the property even though the parcel is suitable (e.g., adequate parcel dimensions or size, no issues with topography, no easements or other restrictions) to meet the thirty (30) foot setback from all property lines and/or the center of a road, a building permit applicant **WILL NEED TO APPLY** to the CAL FIRE Lassen-Modoc Unit for an exception request (*see attached “Request for Exception to Standards” form*) in order to be considered to reduce the thirty (30) foot setback to the minimum setback of the parcel zoning and **IS REQUIRED** to use a “same practical effect” mitigation option.

How to submit a Request for Exception to Standards to the thirty (30) foot setback for “Preferential Reasons”

Use the attached “Request for Exception to Standards” form, follow the directions, and fill out the form completely. For questions and to submit the form, you may mail or email:

Alan Thornhill, Fire Captain
CAL FIRE Lassen-Modoc Unit
Attention: Fire Prevention – Plumas County
697-345 Highway 36
Susanville, CA 96130
alan.thornhill@fire.ca.gov
(530) 251-4413



DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

Lassen-Modoc Unit
697-345 Highway 36
Susanville, CA 93610



530-257-4171 (Ask for Alan Thornhill in Fire Prevention)

Request for EXCEPTION to Standards

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Address/Phone: _____

Assessors Parcel Number: _____

Planning Dept. Permit Number: _____

California Code of Regulations Title 14: Division 1.5- Department of Forestry: Chapter 7- Fire Protection: Subchapter 2 SRA Fire Safe Regulations: Article 1 Administration:

Subsection 1270.06. Exceptions to Standards

(a) Upon request by the applicant, exceptions to standards within this subchapter or to local jurisdiction certified ordinances may be allowed by the inspection entity listed in 14 CCR § 1270.05, where the exceptions provide the same practical effect as these regulations towards providing defensible space. Exceptions granted by the inspection entity listed in 14 CCR § 1270.05 shall be made on a case-by-case basis only. Exceptions granted by the inspection entity listed in 14 CCR § 1270.05 shall be forwarded to the appropriate CAL FIRE Unit Office that administers SRA fire protection in that county and shall be retained on file at the Unit Office.

(b) Requests for an exception shall be made in writing to the inspection entity listed in 14 CCR § 1270.05 by the applicant or the applicant's authorized representative. At a minimum, the request shall state the specific section(s) for which an exception is requested, material facts supporting the contention of the applicant, the details of the exception proposed, and a map showing the proposed location and siting of the exception. Local jurisdictions listed in 14 CCR section 1270.05 may establish additional procedures or requirements for exception requests.

Directions to Applicant:

1. You **MUST** contact the County Planning Department prior to submitting this form
2. Complete all sections of this form use additional paper if needed
3. Attach a map showing the proposed location and citing of the exception or mitigation measure
4. Complete all sections of this form use additional paper if needed
5. Attach a map showing the proposed location and citing of the exception or mitigation measure
6. Return by either mail to:

CAL FIRE Lassen Modoc Unit
Attention: Fire Prevention – Plumas County
697-345 Highway 36
Susanville, CA 96130
OR by email to alan.thornhill@fire.ca.gov

Complete the following Information (2 pages):

Section A: State the specific section or sections for which an exception is requested.

Section B: State the factual circumstances supporting the need for exception. (Why you are unable to comply with the standard)

Section C: State the mitigation measure and details you propose that will meet the same practical effect as what is required by law.

Applicant (Printed Name)

Date

Applicant Signature

Received by (Print Name & Title)

Date

Approved by (Print Name & Title)

Approved by signature

Directions to Job Site

Permit Name: _____

Physical Address: _____ A.P.N. _____

Directions: In the space below, draw a simple map to your job site from the nearest State Highway. All roadways must be clearly labeled. Please include any markers, monuments, or features that would assist the inspector in finding your job site.

NOTE: Failure to provide clear, concise directions (with road markers as needed) WILL result in inspection cancellation or delay.

If cancellation occurs, **A REINSPECTION FEE WILL BE ASSESSED!**

N

Provide North arrow

Description of All Work to be Performed

Permit Name: _____

Physical Address: _____ APN: _____

Directions: On the lines below clearly and completely describe all work that will be performed under the scope of the permit. Use additional sheets if necessary to explain thoroughly each type of work.

Use the space below as needed to draw a simple diagram or sketch to help clarify the proposed work. (Use this space for simple Electrical upgrades single line drawings, for example).

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Method A: LICENSED CONTRACTOR'S DECLARATION

I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that I am licensed under provisions of Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 7000) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, and my license is in full force and effect.

License Class: _____ License No: _____

Date: _____ Contractor Signature: _____

Method B: OWNER-BUILDER DECLARATION

I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that I am exempt from the Contractors' State License Law for the reason(s) indicated below by the checkmark(s) I have placed next to the applicable item(s) (Section 7031.5).

Business and Professions Code: Any city or county that requires a permit to construct, alter, improve, demolish, or repair any structure, prior to its issuance, also requires the applicant for the permit to file a signed statement that he or she is licensed pursuant to the provisions of the Contractors' State License Law (Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 7000) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code) or that he or she is exempt from licensure and the basis for the alleged exemption. Any violation of Section 7031.5 by any applicant for a permit subjects the applicant to a civil penalty of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500).):

I, as owner of the property, or my employees with wages as their sole compensation, will do all of or portions of the work, and the structure is not intended or offered for sale (Section 7044, Business and Professions Code: The Contractors' State License Law does not apply to an owner of property who, through employees' or personal effort, builds or improves the property, provided that the improvements are not intended or offered for sale. If, however, the building or improvement is sold within one year of completion, the Owner-Builder will have the burden of proving that it was not built or improved for the purpose of sale.).

I, as owner of the property, am exclusively contracting with licensed Contractors to construct the project (Section 7044, Business and Professions Code: The Contractors' State License Law does not apply to an owner of property who builds or improves thereon, and who contracts for the projects with a licensed Contractor pursuant to the Contractors' State License Law.).

I am exempt from licensure under the Contractors' State License Law for the following reason:

By my signature below I acknowledge that, except for my personal residence in which I must have resided for at least one year prior to completion of the improvements covered by this permit, I cannot legally sell a structure that I have built as an owner-builder if it has not been constructed in its entirety by licensed contractors. I understand that a copy of the applicable law, Section 7044 of the Business and Professions Code, is available upon request when this application is submitted or at the following Web site: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html>.

Date: _____ Signature of Property Owner or Authorized Agent: _____

WORKERS' COMPENSATION DECLARATION WARNING:

FAILURE TO SECURE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE IS UNLAWFUL, AND SHALL SUBJECT AN EMPLOYER TO CRIMINAL PENALTIES AND CIVIL FINES UP TO ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000), IN ADDITION TO THE COST OF COMPENSATION, DAMAGES AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 3706 OF THE LABOR CODE, INTEREST, AND ATTORNEY'S FEES.

I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury one of the following declarations:

I have and will maintain a certificate of consent to self-insure for workers' compensation, issued by the Director of Industrial Relations as provided for by Section 3700 of the Labor Code, for the performance of the work for which this permit is issued.

Policy No: _____

I have and will maintain workers' compensation insurance, as required by Section 3700 of the Labor Code, for the performance of the work for which this permit is issued. My workers' compensation insurance carrier and policy number are:

Carrier: _____ Policy Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Name of Agent: _____ Phone #: _____

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PROPERTY OWNER'S PACKAGE

Disclosures & Forms for Owner-Builders Applying for Construction Permits

IMPORTANT! NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER

Dear Property Owner:

An application for a building permit has been submitted in your name listing yourself as the builder of the property improvements specified at _____.

We are providing you with an Owner-Builder Acknowledgment and Information Verification Form to make you aware of your responsibilities and possible risk you may incur by having this permit issued in your name as the Owner-Builder. **We will not issue a building permit until you have read, initialed your understanding of each provision, signed, and returned this form to us at our official address indicated.** An agent of the owner cannot execute this notice unless you, the property owner, obtain the prior approval of the permitting authority.

OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

DIRECTIONS: Read and initial each statement below to signify you understand or verify this information.

- 1. I understand a frequent practice of unlicensed persons is to have the property owner obtain an "Owner-Builder" building permit that erroneously implies that the property owner is providing his or her own labor and material personally. I, as an Owner-Builder, may be held liable and subject to serious financial risk for any injuries sustained by an unlicensed person and his or her employees while working on my property. My homeowner's insurance may not provide coverage for those injuries. I am willfully acting as an Owner-Builder and am aware of the limits of my insurance coverage for injuries to workers on my property.
- 2. I understand building permits are not required to be signed by property owners unless they are *responsible* for the construction and are not hiring a licensed Contractor to assume this responsibility.
- 3. I understand as an "Owner-Builder" I am the responsible party of record on the permit. I understand that I may protect myself from potential financial risk by hiring a licensed Contractor and having the permit filed in his or her name instead of my own.
- 4. I understand Contractors are required by law to be licensed and bonded in California and to list their license numbers on permits and contracts.
- 5. I understand if I employ or otherwise engage any persons, other than California licensed Contractors, and the total value of my construction is at least five hundred dollars (\$500), including labor and materials, I may be considered an "employer" under state and federal law.
- 6. I understand if I am considered an "employer" under state and federal law, I must register with the state and federal government, withhold payroll taxes, provide workers' compensation disability insurance, and contribute to unemployment compensation for each "employee." I also understand my failure to abide by these laws may subject me to serious financial risk.
- 7. I understand under California Contractors' State License Law, an Owner-Builder who builds single-family residential structures cannot legally build them with the intent to offer them for sale, unless *all* work is performed by licensed subcontractors and the number of structures does not exceed four within any calendar year, or all of the work is performed under contract with a licensed general building Contractor.

8. I understand as an Owner-Builder if I sell the property for which this permit is issued, I may be held liable for any financial or personal injuries sustained by any subsequent owner(s) that result from any latent construction defects in the workmanship or materials.

9. I understand I may obtain more information regarding my obligations as an "employer" from the Internal Revenue Service, the United States Small Business Administration, the California Department of Benefit Payments, and the California Division of Industrial Accidents. I also understand I may contact the California Contractors' State License Board (CSLB) at 1-800-321-CSLB (2752) or www.cslb.ca.gov for more information about licensed contractors.

10. I am aware of and consent to an Owner-Builder building permit applied for in my name, and understand that I am the party legally and financially responsible for proposed construction activity at the following address:

11. I agree that, as the party legally and financially responsible for this proposed construction activity, I will abide by all applicable laws and requirements that govern Owner-Builders as well as employers.

12. I agree to notify the issuer of this form immediately of any additions, deletions, or changes to any of the information I have provided on this form. Licensed contractors are regulated by laws designed to protect the public. If you contract with someone who does not have a license, the Contractors' State License Board may be unable to assist you with any financial loss you may sustain as a result of a complaint. Your only remedy against unlicensed Contractors may be in civil court. It is also important for you to understand that if an unlicensed Contractor or employee of that individual or firm is injured while working on your property, you may be held liable for damages. If you obtain a permit as Owner-Builder and wish to hire Contractors, you will be responsible for verifying whether or not those Contractors are properly licensed and the status of their workers' compensation insurance coverage.

Before a building permit can be issued, this form must be completed and signed by the property owner and returned to the agency responsible for issuing the permit. Note: A copy of the property owner's driver's license, form notarization, or other verification acceptable to the agency is required to be presented when the permit is issued to verify the property owner's signature.

Signature of property owner _____ Date: _____

*Note: The following Authorization Form is required to be completed by the property owner **only** when designating an agent of the property owner to apply for a construction permit for the Owner-Builder.*

AUTHORIZATION OF AGENT TO ACT ON PROPERTY OWNER'S BEHALF

Excluding the Notice to Property Owner, the execution of which I understand is my personal responsibility, I hereby authorize the following person(s) to act as my agent(s) to apply for, sign, and file the documents necessary to obtain an Owner-Builder Permit for my project.

Scope of Construction Project (or Description of Work): _____

Project Location or Address: _____

Name of Authorized Agent: _____ Tel No: _____

Address of Authorized Agent: _____

I declare under penalty of perjury that I am the property owner for the address listed above and I personally filled out the above information and certify its accuracy. *Note: A copy of the owner's driver's license, form notarization, or other verification acceptable to the agency is required to be presented when the permit is issued to verify the property owner's signature.*

Property Owner's Signature: _____ Date: _____