

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 13, 2025

SUBJECT: Public Hearing: Text Amendments for Repeal of the State Wildfire Hazard Map

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Staff recommends that following the public hearing, the Board commence deliberations and adopt Ordinance 2025-015 by emergency, effective immediately.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The Board of County Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on August 13, 2025, to consider amendments to the Deschutes County Code (file no. 247-25-000425-TA).

The amendments are intended to remove local criteria for wildfire mitigation building code standards as originally governed by the State Wildfire Hazard Map, specifically for the construction of rural accessory dwelling units (ADUs). Due to public concern, the state legislature repealed the State Wildfire Hazard Map and all associated requirements in June 2025 with the passage of Senate Bills 83 and 75.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

None

ATTENDANCE:

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