



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 28, 2023

SUBJECT: Discussion: Local Wildfire Hazard Zone and Oregon Residential Specialty Code Updates Regarding Wildfire Hazard Mitigation

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

N/A

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

On October 1, 2023, the State Building Codes Division will be updating the R327 section of the Oregon Residential Specialty Code (ORSC). Given existing provisions in section 15.04.085 of the Deschutes County Code, the forthcoming updates to the ORSC may have unintended consequences for residential development in Deschutes County in the period before official adoption of the State Wildfire Hazard Map mandated by Senate Bills 762 and 80. Staff requests direction from the Board of County Commissioners on next steps.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

None

ATTENDANCE:

Kyle Collins, Associate Planner

Peter Gutowsky, Community Development Director