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FORM NO

PLG-17

THE DISASTER RECOVERY URGENCY ORDINANCE FOR TEMPORARY HOUSING WITHIN AREAS AFFECTED BY THE CAMP FIRE

To address the immediate need for housing to accommodate persons who have been displaced by the Camp Fire some building and zoning regulations have been relaxed to allow displaced residents to move back onto fire-affected property within a temporary dwelling once evacuation orders for the area are lifted. Under the provisions of this ordinance, which include compliance with the eligibility requirements listed below, residents will initially be allowed to temporarily place up to two recreational vehicles, travel trailers, truck campers, or movable tiny homes that are: (1) self-contained with potable water and sewage tanks; (2) self-propelled, truck-mounted, or permanently towable; and (3) a California Department of Motor Vehicle licensed vehicle. Residents may connect the temporary dwelling to an approved sewage disposal system, water source and electricity with approval of an Administrative Permit issued by the Department of Development Services. Approval of the Administrative Permit will allow residents to remain in the temporary dwelling until December 31, 2020, unless otherwise extended by the Board of Supervisors.

Camp Fire Temporary Dwelling Eligibility Requirements:

- ❖ **Signed and submitted Cal OES Right of Entry Agreement or an approved Alternative Debris Removal Program Plan.** Information about how to enter into one of these debris removal programs may be found at <https://buttecountyrecovers.org/>
- ❖ **Proof of a damaged or destroyed residence.**
- ❖ **Maximum of two (2) self-contained recreational vehicles, travel trailers or movable tiny houses (i.e., temporary dwellings) are allowed, not placed on permanent foundations.**
- ❖ **Cargo Storage containers may be used during the full term of this ordinance for personal and household belongings only.**
- ❖ **Use of temporary dwellings shall be permitted only on a property on which a residence was damaged or destroyed in the Camp Fire and to serve those displaced by the Camp Fire.**
- ❖ **The initial use of Temporary Dwellings that are not hooked-up to utilities is limited to the effective date of this ordinance, December 21, 2018, until 90 days after the property is certified as being cleared of fire debris and hazardous material.**
- ❖ **Minimum one hundred (100) foot setback from all fire debris or hazardous materials**

- ❖ **Minimum parcel size of one (1) acre.** An exception request for property that is less than one (1) acre or where the dwelling has a setback to debris that is less than 100 feet may be made to the director if it can be demonstrated that an adequate exclusion zone can be maintained to protect public safety from any fire debris or hazardous materials at all times.
- ❖ **All temporary dwellings and cargo storage containers shall be located outside recorded easements, driveways, flood hazard areas, or areas prone to landslide/debris flow.**
- ❖ **All temporary dwellings allowed under this ordinance shall be disconnected from utilities and removed from the property no later than December 31, 2020, or within 30-days of issuance of the certificate of occupancy for a replacement dwelling, whichever is earliest.**

Camp Fire Affected Area Temporary Housing **Administrative Permit** Submittal Requirements:

- Butte County Environmental Health Pre-Application Clearance
- Administrative Permit Application ([Form PLA-30](#))
- Application Filing Fee - \$194.74
- Proof of damaged or destroyed residence
- Agent Authorization ([Form DPL-02](#)). Only if applicant is not the property owner of record.
- Current California Department of Motor Vehicle Registration
- Applicants proposing to connect to PG&E will need to obtain an administrative permit and apply for a Building Permit through the Butte County Department of Development Services.

For more information about the urgency ordinance or application process, call the Planning Division at (530) 552-3701.

Hazard Advisory Warning

The Camp Fire has created hazardous waste conditions in Butte County, which poses a substantial hazard to human health and the environment until the property is certified clean. Persons moving back into the Camp Fire area do so at their own risk and should be aware of the health hazards. The ordinance finds that the safest approach is to wait until a property is cleared of fire debris and hazardous materials before moving back into the Camp Fire affected area. Butte County encourages residents to wait until the property is certified by the Butte County Department of Public Health as being clear of fire debris and hazardous materials before moving back. More information concerning safety hazards is available at the following website: <https://buttecountyrecovers.org/safety>