



California Building Standards Commission

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This document provides recent California Building Standards Commission (CBSC) business highlights and items on the horizon. If you have questions or need further assistance, CBSC staff is available to assist by calling **916-263-0916**, or an inquiry may be emailed to cbsc@dgs.ca.gov. Our website is dgs.ca.gov/BSC.

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❖ **Who are we? Commissioner and staff...** dgs.ca.gov/BSC/About

Early in 2020 Commissioners Patel and Santillan were reappointed and Commissioner Stockwell was appointed as a public member. We currently have three commission vacancies: an Architect, a Contractor and a Public Member. New [Government Operations Secretary](#) Yolanda Richardson sits as the CBSC Chair.

❖ **Website overhaul and new URL and accessible documents...** dgs.ca.gov/BSC

In July 2019 all state agencies were required to only post ADA compliant documents pursuant to [AB 434](#) (Statutes 2017). While CBSC remediated many of its public facing documents, not all could be made accessible. If you need an older rulemaking document, information bulletin or an ordinance, please contact our office.

❖ **Errata (buff colored paper) for the 2019 edition of Title 24 was issued in December 2019 with a January 1, 2020 effective date. A second errata is scheduled for September 2020.** Remember to register with the publishers to automatically receive errata and supplement updates.

❖ **2019 Intervening Code Adoption Cycle (blue page supplements published January 1, 2021 with a July 1, 2021 effective date).** Proposed code actions (Supplements) are currently in the Public Comment phase of the 2019 Intervening Code Adoption Cycle.

- Summer and Fall 2019 – State agency workshops
- December 2, 2019 – 29 Rulemaking packages submitted to CBSC
- February and March 2020 – CBSC conducted four Code Advisory Committee meetings.
- March through June 2020 – 45-day and 15-day public comment phase: dgs.ca.gov/BSC/Rulemaking/Intervening-Code-Adoption-Cycle2019/2019-Public-Comments. **PLEASE REVIEW THE RULEMAKINGS AND PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENTS DURING THE 45-DAY OR 15-DAY COMMENT PERIODS. Support comments are just as important as oppose comments.**
- July and August Commission action: dgs.ca.gov/BSC/Calendars. **PLEASE PROVIDE PUBLIC TESTIMONY AT THE COMMISSION MEETINGS.**
- Proposed code amendments include early adoption of 2021 IBC Tall Wood, clarify public housing definition, amend detectable warnings, increase electric vehicle infrastructure percentage for non-residential and school parking, retroactive permits, define accessory dwelling unit, special amusement areas (puzzle rooms), energy storage systems, elevator machine rooms and hoistway ventilation, Wildland Urban Interface roof coverings and vents, and hospital equipment earthquake safety.

❖ **2021 Triennial Code Adoption Cycle**

- IAPMO published the 2021 editions of the UPC and UMC March 2020
- ICC 2021 I-Codes scheduled to be published October 2020
- 2020 Fall – 2021 Winter workshops. **PLEASE CONTACT STATE AGENCIES TO PARTICIPATE IN 2021 WORKSHOPS.**

❖ **Other Resources, Guidebooks and Videos** dgs.ca.gov/BSC/Resources

- *Guide to Title 24* based on the 2019 edition
- *It's Your Building Department* (a guide for elected local officials)
- *Public Guide to the Building Standards Adoption Process*
- *Code Book Fundamentals*
- *2019 CALGreen Guide and Verification Guidelines – Nonresidential*
- Videos about: Title 24, CALGreen, Rulemaking, CBSC, and more at dgs.ca.gov/BSC/Education-and-Outreach.