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1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this Information Bulletin is to provide background and establish effective dates for the adoption of the 2025 State of California Building Standards Code.

2.0 HISTORY

Original Effective Date: November 6, 2021; Updated: January 1, 2026

3.0 BACKGROUND

The California Building Standards Code is maintained by the California Building Standards Commission (www.bsc.ca.gov) and contains the codes and laws that regulate the construction of all buildings and structures in the State of California. The California Building Standards Code is revised and updated every three (3) years. In compliance with State law, the County of San Bernardino is required to adopt and enforce the latest published edition of the California Building Standards Code. The latest published edition of the California Building Standards Code is the 2025 edition, and it will become effective January 1, 2026.

4.0 EFFECTIVE DATES

Permit applications for projects submitted to Building & Safety after January 1, 2026, must comply with the 2025 California Building Standards Code.

Permit applications for projects submitted to Building & Safety prior to January 1, 2026, may comply with the 2022 California Building Standards Code. The applicant must obtain the building permit prior to July 1, 2026, or the permit application will expire. If the permit application expires, no permit extension will be granted, and the applicant must resubmit and comply with the 2025 California Building Standards Code.

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The submittal/approval dates to/from any other County Department/Division have no bearing on which edition of the California Building Standards Code is applicable to a project. The edition of California Building Standards Code for which a project must comply is solely determined by the date the permit application is submitted to Building & Safety.