



CLARIFICATION/ENFORCEMENT MEMO
Community Development Department
Planning Division
447-8490

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From: Sharon Haugen, Director
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Enforcement effective date: March 3, 2008

Subject: Ordinance No. 3093
An Ordinance amending Title 11 (The Zoning Ordinance) of the Helena
City Code by Adding a new Chapter 41 to be known as
The Wildland-Urban Interface District

On February 28, 2008 City Ordinance No. 3093 will take effect thus adding Chapter 41, entitled the Wildland-Urban Interface District, to the City's zoning ordinance. To limit the potential for the spread of a wildfire across the rooftops of structures, buildings in the new 'city-wide' zoning district when being permitted for a new or replacement roof must have a minimum Class 'C' rating as defined in the building code or shall meet and comply with ANSI/UL 790, ASTM 108 or any approved equivalent test. No exposed treated or untreated wooden roofing materials are permitted. The ordinance also limits the maximum size of the screened openings of all vents in roofs, chimneys, gables and eaves to no larger than ¼ inch.

For any questions or requests for more specific details about this important change please contact the City of Helena Zoning Enforcement Officer at 447-8448 or the Building Division at 447-8437. Full text of Title 11, Chapter 41, Wildland-Urban Interface District is available at
http://sterling.webiness.com/codebook/index.php?book_id=401 .

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