

Attachment B:
VHFHSZ-RELATED PLANNING CODE AMENDMENTS

The Oakland Planning Code (Title 17 of the Oakland Municipal Code) is proposed to be amended as follows. Additions are shown in underline and deletions are shown in ~~strikethrough~~. Note that only the relevant code subsections being amended are included and unamended portions of tables are omitted.

Chapter 17.88 S-9 FIRE SAFETY PROTECTION COMBINING ZONE REGULATIONS
Sections:

17.88.010 Title, Purpose and Applicability.

17.88.030 Definitions.

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The intent of the S-9 Fire Safety Protection Combining Zone is to promote the public health, safety and welfare by ensuring that activities and facilities that are located, in whole or part, within or adjacent to Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZs) as defined in Section 17.88.030(A) ~~designated by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)~~, and accessed from streets that are less than twenty-six (26) feet in width at any point or cul-de-sacs that do not meet emergency access standards, develop in such a manner as not to be a serious threat to public health or safety.

S-9 Fire Safety Protection Combining Zone is mapped using the following criteria:

- A. Lots located, in whole or part, within or adjacent to VHFHSZs and one of the following criteria is met:
- B. The lot is accessed by streets connecting the lot to the nearest arterial street (as designated by the City of Oakland General Plan Land Use and Transportation Element) with a pavement width of less than twenty-six (26) feet at any point; or
- C. Where a lot is located on a dead-end street that has a total length of six hundred (600) feet or longer from the nearest intersection. For the purposes of this Subsection, the total length of a dead-end street shall be the distance from the intersection with the nearest through street to the farthest opposite end of the street right-of-way, or private access easement (as defined by Section 16.32.010 of the Oakland Municipal Code) if the shared access facility/private access easement is connected to said dead-end street.

17.88.030 Definitions.

For the purposes of this regulation, the following definitions apply:

- A. **Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones.** Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones are those areas identified by: 1) California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) within Local Responsibility Areas (LRA),

including the City of Oakland; and 2) City of Oakland, as authorized by Government Code Section 51179. Mapping of Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZ) is based on data and models of potential fuels over a given time horizon and their associated expected fire behavior and burn probabilities to quantify the likelihood of vegetation fire exposure to buildings.