CODE ADOPTION PROCESS IN MONTANA – AT A GLANCE

Public/Stakeholder Input Opportunity → Model Code Published – various sources, code entities – documents serve as starting or base documents ← Active Department participation

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Department may seek help from Industry Groups (Input Opportunity) → Background Analysis performed by the Department to gauge changes and impacts to Montana ← Department seeks to evaluate codes for:
Standards of safety, design & fire prevention
Economic considerations
Use of modern practices, methods, materials
Uniform application of the codes

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Public/Stakeholder Input Opportunity → Department actively Seeks Stakeholder Input through stakeholder meetings – Public and written testimony taken

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Department Summarizes public input from stakeholder meetings prepares findings for Building Codes Council

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Public/Stakeholder Input Opportunity → Building Codes Advisory Council meets to take public testimony, craft and establish code proposals ← Industry Representatives on Council ← Montana Architect Montana Engineer Building Contractor Building Inspector Manufactured Housing Public Member Montana Electrician Montana Plumber Elevator Mechanic Home Builder State Fire Marshall Director DPHHS

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Department documents action of Building Codes Council - prepares Rules Proposal

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Public/Stakeholder Input Opportunity → Rules Hearing Process ← MAPA Process Followed

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Public/Stakeholder Participation Opportunity → Code Adoptions – Department provides substantial training opportunities on new code provisions for stakeholders → Local Certified Government Building Code Jurisdictions have an additional 90 days to adopt same codes/same modifications

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