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ATTENTION SOLAR CONTRACTORS

Senate Bill 379 was signed into law by Governor Newsom on September 16, 2022. This bill requires the County to implement an online, automated permitting platform that verifies code compliance and issues permits in real time by September 30, 2023.

As part of our permit system update and to comply with the new law, effective January 3, 2023 we will no longer be accepting plan submittals for Eligible Projects over the counter or through goPost. All residential roof-top installations 38.4 kilowatts or less which are eligible must use the SolarAPP+ portal and permit issuance system. To help identify projects which must use this system we have developed an Eligibility Checklist. The Eligibility Checklist is available on the website listed at the bottom of this page.

Before applying for an automated plan review and permitting, projects must meet certain criteria. At this time, SolarAPP+ is designed to provide a code-compliance check for the majority of residential, roof- mounted, retrofit photovoltaic systems. To see which systems are eligible, please refer to the Eligibility Checklist. Only projects that conform to this list are eligible to use the automated SolarAPP+ portal for instant permitting. If your project complies with the Eligibility Checklist use the following steps to issue the permit.

1. Register through the SolarAPP+ Webpage.
2. If the project is within the Mountain House Community Services District (MHCSD) obtain a signed copy of the Solar Permit Application from MHCSD for upload during the permitting process in SolarAPP+ portal.
3. Submit your project through the SolarApp+ portal.
4. Pay the processing fee and permit fee through the SolarAPP+ portal.
5. Download and print the Permit and Inspection Checklist. These must be on the jobsite at the time of inspection.
6. Allow 1 to 2 business days for processing prior to scheduling an inspection.
7. Schedule an Inspection:

   o Inspection requests can be made by using the Permit Manager function here. When using this scheduling option it is necessary to use the site address not the SolarApp+ permit number.

   o Inspection requests may also be scheduled by calling (209) 468-3165 (24-hour recorder).

   o When calling for an inspection, you must have the following information available:

- Permit number
- Jobsite address
- Type of inspection
- Name
- Telephone number

Inspection requests received before 3:00 p.m. will be made on the next business day; requests received after 3:00 p.m. will be done the day following. Please call in all cancellations by 9:00 a.m.

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