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PUBLIC MEETINGS ON TINY HOME REGULATIONS

The County of Santa Cruz is pleased to announce a series of upcoming meetings to gather public input on tiny home regulations, which can help alleviate the housing crisis, prevent homelessness and provide alternative, low-barrier housing options for residents.

Tiny homes are small dwellings, generally less than 400 square feet, either on foundations or on wheels. Tiny homes on foundations are already allowed in Santa Cruz County and are subject to the building and zoning codes. Tiny homes on wheels are considered recreational vehicles or trailers and are not currently allowed as housing in Santa Cruz County except within designated RV parks or as temporary housing.

The County is considering the establishment of regulations that would allow tiny homes on wheels as permanent housing while addressing issues such as impacts to neighborhoods, utility connections, and ownership and occupancy. A series of virtual public meetings, each with a specific purpose, will be held to discuss various aspects of tiny home regulations. Public feedback is welcome.

Wednesday, December 1, 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. – Special Focus on Coastal Urban Areas https://tinyurl.com/2x75564p

To participate via phone: +1 916-318-9542, Phone Conference ID: 772 527 750#

Tuesday, December 7, 6 P.M. - 7:30 p.m. – Special Focus on Rural Concerns (including Septic Systems and CZU Fire Recovery)

https://tinyurl.com/2zh38h6r

To participate via phone: +1 916-318-9542, Phone Conference ID: 358 258 277#

Thursday, December 9, 6 p.m. -7:30 p.m. – Special Focus on South County https://tinyurl.com/y47fmacn

To participate via phone: +1 916-318-9542, Phone Conference ID: 667 185 385#

More information is available on the Planning Department website: https://www.sccoplanning.com. Written comments may be submitted to daisy.allen@santacruzcounty.us.