

Unified Development Code Interpretation

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UDC Section: 3.5.3 Forest Resource Districts: c. Setback Requirements for Adjacent Development; d. Setback Requirements on Designated Forest Lands; e. Establishment of Resource Protection Areas

Language subject to interpretation: “structure”

Interpretation:

The intent of UDC 3.5.3.c-e is to ensure a building setback from Forest Resource Districts. Buildings include structures such as a residence, garage, accessory dwelling unit, and outbuilding. The definition of “structure” found in Section 2 of the UDC and consistent with WAC 173-27-030 fits a broader category of examples, including fences, wells, and septic systems. The intent of UDC 3.5.3.c-e is not to exclude fences, wells, septic systems, and driveways from the resource protection areas adjacent to Forest Resource Districts. This stricter interpretation of “structure” applies only to UDC 3.5.3.c-e. The definition of “structure” in Section 2 of the UDC pertains to all other sections of the UDC unless modified by future UDC code interpretation.

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