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# FIRE ALARM WORK GROUP MEETING

## Meeting Minutes – May 27, 2025

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### Work Group Representatives

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER: Sujeski called the meeting to order at 12:30

- A. Welcome/Introductions **Sujeski**
- B. Introductions – All participated
- i. Review how to subscribe for OSFM Work Group notifications and emails.
    - 1. [Workgroups | OSFM](#)
    - 2. [Subscribe to Newsletter | OSFM](#)
- C. Agenda Review – Added History.

### 2. OLD BUSINESS

**N/A**

- A. N/A

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

**Sujeski**

- A. History-Travis Tyler summarized the history of 2005 Code Comparison project when existing fire alarm CA amendments from the UFC were blended into the IFC during the adoption of the ICC as Model code.
- i. CFC 907 Example – Modernization that duplicate CA amendment language. One potential goal of the work group could be to analyze CFC Section 907 to confirm necessary amendments.
  - ii. Chief Andersen direction to the Fire Alarm Advisory Committee, per a letter dated August 13, 2024, was to form a Fire Alarm work group to create proposals to make NFPA 72 and the California Fire Code (CFC) consistent. The correlation between the CFC and NFPA 72 would create clear guidelines for the industry and the AHJ's. (Tyler)
  - iii. Check alignment of the CA amendments and recommend code change proposals. (Tyler)
  - iv. Code Comparison Matrix (Tyler)
  - v. Sagiv – Worked on task group which came to the consensus that a lot of the amendments were not needed. The goal of the work group should be to analysis the amendments to submit changes in the next rulemaking to eliminate outdated language. Everything is already in NFPA 72.
  - vi. Terminology – ie. Zoning.
- B. Discuss Draft Charter

- i. Work Group Proposal Timeline – Title 24 Timeline – CBSC (Sujeski)  
<https://www.dgs.ca.gov/BSC/Rulemaking/2025-Intervening-Cycle/2025-Intervening-Code-Adoption-Cycle-Timeline-FINAL.png> (2420×1870)
    - 1. End of September/October 2025.
  - ii. Develop Goals: Travis and Sagiv
    - 1. Terminology
    - 2. Analyze model code adoption, existing California amendments, and NFPA advancements.
  - iii. Develop Objectives
    - 1. Analyze 2025 Rulemaking language
    - 2. Robust Reason Statement
    - 3. Cost Analysis
  - iv. Discuss Work Group membership – Open (All are welcome to attend)
  - v. Discuss meeting schedule – Bi-Weekly Tuesdays mornings
  - vi. California amendments
    - 1. Focus on Section 907
    - 2. Identify Title 19 amendments – No intent to change at this time.
- C. CBC/CFC Chapter 9
- i. Section 907.
    - 1. CFC 907.4.4.3 Automatic Smoke Detection Clarify use of term “Automatic Smoke Detection”
    - 2. CFC 907.2.3 Group E
    - 3. CFC 907.3.2 Delayed Egress
- D. Other Topics
- i. CBC Delayed Egress Section 1010.2.13 (Sagiv)
  - ii. Title 24 – All Parts - Reference Standards (Reinertson)
    - 1. Verify the applicable Standards (Sagiv)
  - iii. CFC 909 (Cervantes)
  - iv. AB 306 – Overview of impact (Sujeski)
    - 1. [Bill Text - AB-306 Building regulations: state building standards.](#)

#### 4. ROUNDTABLE

- A. Email [Jena.Garcia@fire.ca.gov](mailto:Jena.Garcia@fire.ca.gov) all code proposals to be added to the agenda.
- B. If needed - Subgroups will be created next meeting
- C. How are things approved to move forward from the work group. What is the process? Do we vote? Is it a recommendation? What is it? (Sagiv)
  - i. These meetings are designed to encourage public participation in the creation of proposals. Polls will be taken to determine the consensus of the work group to move proposals forward to OSFM Executive Leadership team and then onto the State Fire Marshal for approval to move forward to be included in the next CBSC rulemaking. (Sujeski)
- D. Provided some ideas of the framework for the code comparison and methods. Will share the matrix. Maybe provide brief training on how to research code. (Tyler)

#### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. N/A

**6. UPCOMING MEETING DATE FOR 2024**

**Sujeski**

A. Meetings will be held the **bi-monthly on Tuesday** of each month at 8-10 AM and will remain virtual

i. Upcoming Meeting – June 10 & 24, 2025

B. Please email agenda items and proposals to Jena Garcia at [jena.garcia@fire.ca.gov](mailto:jena.garcia@fire.ca.gov)

**7. MEETING ADJOURNED at 10:32 AM**

**Sujeski**

If you would like to watch the recording of this meeting, please visit the link below:

[https://youtu.be/mH-XkpZ\\_yN4](https://youtu.be/mH-XkpZ_yN4)