

## EXHIBIT "A"

### Title 8 – HEALTH AND SAFETY

#### Chapter 8.10

#### FIRE SAFE VEGETATION AND DEBRIS MANAGEMENT

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**8.10.010 Purpose.**

The purpose of this chapter is to adopt regulations in addition to those already in effect in Title 15 to further increase protection from fire of residents and their property within the City of Rocklin. This Chapter is intended to include additional fire control regulations and not to amend any existing fire safety regulations in Title 15.

**8.10.020 Additional definitions.**

As used in this chapter, certain additional terms and words are defined as follows:

“APN” means the Assessor’s Parcel number as assigned by the County of Placer.

“Building or structure” means any structure used for support or shelter of any use or occupancy.

“Flammable vegetation and materials” means any growth or refuse piles that will readily burn, including, but not limited to, dead pine needles or leaves, dry weeds and grasses over four inches (4”) in height, dead or dying trees or tree limbs, other dry invasive or noxious plants, or refuse piles, that constitute a fire hazard and endanger people or property

“Refuse piles” means accumulations of flammable vegetation, rubbish and/or scrap materials, including, but not limited to, waste paper, wood, hay, straw, weeds, litter or other flammable waste.

**8.10.030 Classification of nuisances.**

The following acts and conditions, when performed or existing upon any lot, piece or parcel of land within the City of Rocklin, are hereby defined as and declared to be public nuisances because they are deemed to be injurious or potentially injurious to the public health, safety and welfare and they have a tendency to degrade the appearance and property values of surrounding property or cause damage to public rights-of-way:

- A. Improved property less than or equal to 0.50 acre: The entire property shall be mowed or cleared of all flammable vegetation and materials, as defined in this chapter. Any plant, tree, or shrub adjacent to or overhanging a building and/or structure shall be free of dead or dying wood.
  
- B. Improved property greater than 0.50 acre: Both (1) as measured from the perimeter of the structure, a 100-foot perimeter surrounding all structures; and (2) as measured from the property line, a 20-foot perimeter surrounding the property, shall be mowed or cleared of all flammable vegetation and materials, as defined in this chapter. Any plant, tree, or shrub adjacent to or overhanging a building and/or structure shall be free of dead or dying wood.

**8.10.040 Declaration of nuisance.**

Whenever the Fire Chief or his or her designee finds that a nuisance, as defined by section 8.10.30, exists on any premises located within the city, he/she is authorized to advise the property owner of the nuisance and direct him/her to abate the nuisance by a specified date. The amount of time allowed to abate a nuisance shall be determined by considering the severity of the nuisance and its effect on the health, safety, welfare and aesthetics of the community. The property owner shall be notified of the existence of the nuisance in writing. The notification shall detail the violations. If the property owner is absent, such notice shall be by certified mail, addressed to the said owner at the last known address as revealed by the tax rolls, and additional addresses as may be known by the Fire Chief or his or her designee.

**8.10.050 Voluntary abatement of nuisances.**

The owner of any building, structure or property found to be a nuisance under the provisions of this chapter may abate the nuisance at any time within the abatement period established under the provisions of section 8.10.040, by rehabilitation, repair, removal or demolition. The Fire Chief or his or her designee shall be advised of the abatement and shall inspect the premises to ensure that the nuisance has in fact been abated. Any necessary permits and/or approvals shall be obtained by the owner.

**8.10.060 Failure to voluntarily abate a declared nuisance.**

If a nuisance is not properly abated within the period established under the provisions of section 8.10.050, the property is declared to be a public nuisance and shall be abated by rehabilitation, removal, demolition or repair pursuant to the procedures set forth in Chapters 1.08 through 1.18 of Title 1 of this code.

**8.10.070 Enforcement.**

The Fire Chief or his or her designee is hereby authorized to enforce the requirements of this chapter.