

# Codes & Standards Bay Area Regional Plan Check Program

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**BAY** Regional  
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Network

# Regional Plan Check Program Overview

## Regional Plan Check Support Program

- Test Regional Plan Check Center concept in Contra Costa County
  - Covers 7 of 20 Agencies within Contra Costa County:
    - Clayton, Hercules, Lafayette, Moraga, Orinda, San Pablo, and all Unincorporated areas of County



## Regional Code Compliance Enhancements

- Develop plug-in software and/or Inspection toolkit (ipad-based apps)
- Determine feasibility and implement a Regional Plan Check e-permit Service

# Regional Plan Check Center Concept

- ✓ **Determine compliance with non-residential permits at Plan Check stage**
- ✓ **Provide expert review and training to Plans Examiners**
- ✓ **Report on compliance improvement metrics based on identified code errors**
- ✓ **Conduct stakeholder engagement in Bay Area to assess opportunities for expanding program**

# Regional Code Compliance Enhancements

## ✓ **Improve Inspection Process**

- Expand Regional Plan Check Center to include additional jurisdictions
- E-plan Check online permitting software plug-in
- Develop Inspection toolkit (ipad/phone based apps)
- Collect and incubate best practices in modern code compliance

## ✓ **Regional Plan Check e-permit Service (fee for service):**

- Determine feasibility and cover potential start-up costs
- Oversee compliance with energy code portions of Service

# Regional Plan Check Program

## GOALS

- Establish **consistency** throughout the Bay Area for compliance with the Energy Code
- Provide **training** to larger established Building Inspection Departments (Agencies)
- Be a **resource** to support smaller constrained Building Departments

## Questions?

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