

GROUP 4

Challenges

- Emergency change out allowed prior to permit
- Do work first, permits after or not
- Consumer lack of knowledge or research
- Challenge to get pressure relief valve to outside, older homes
- * Contractors not pulling permits, undercutting pricing (Lowest Bid Mandatory Buy Area)
- * Diff. permit requirements across jurisdictions
- Challenging to make requirements the same in rural vs. city ^{locations}
- Diff. conditions → diff needs
- * Lack of tiered contractors
- Permit \$\$\$
- * Fear of inspector seeing other unpermitted work

Opportunities

- CSLB
- * Homeowner education
- Time of list ordinance; energy audit at TOS/TOL
- * Contractor training
- Penalty from Bldg. Dept for pulling permit after work completed
- General Inspector for all scope vs. specialized
- * Consistent requirements across jurisdictions; collaboration X jurisdictions
- # Regionally
- Contractors certified by AHJ

Next Steps

- * Amnesty program for unpermitted work (except life safety)
- * Consistent requirements regionally/county-wide
- Contractor cert. program for HPWHs.
- Address site characteristics/challenges in permit app.
- * Plumbing + Electrical permit combo
- ↓ permit fees
- More service planning support PG&E
- * Loaner program - emergency failure - Loan temp gas water heater