

AMENDMENT TO THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT CODE MAP AND TEXT

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602.01 Purpose and Applicability

This section establishes procedures for making changes to the text of the Rural Code and to the Rural Development Code Map. The procedures in this section shall apply to all proposals to change the text of the Rural Code or to revise a district classification or boundary line shown on the Rural Development Code Map.

602.02 Initiation of Amendment

An amendment may be initiated by the UPC, Municipalities or by another Government agency. The UPC has the sole authority to determine whether to accept municipality or agency-initiated application based on whether it will provide public benefits. The UPC shall determine whether consultation shall occur with external agencies with regard to whether the proposed amendment will be beneficial or detrimental to public interests.

602.03 Types of Amendments

There are two (2) types of Rural Development Code amendments:

A. Technical Amendments

These include UPC initiated changes to clarify regulations, or make minor corrections to the Rural Development Code Map. These technical amendments will be considered periodically, according to a timetable established by the UPC; and

B. Substantive Amendments

These include amendments to implement new Government policies or directives, UPC prepared master plans or area plans, updates of UPC planning documents, or other Governmental initiatives. They may also include amendments to the Rural Development Code Map that would change base district or overlay district designations or provide for new plan districts. Substantive amendments may be considered by the UPC at any time, at its discretion.

602.04 Effective Date and Notifications

The UPC may approve, modify or deny the proposed amendment. An approved amendment becomes effective immediately. Following approval, the UPC shall make the notification of the amendment to the Rural Code, including any diagrams and/or text, available to the public, the Municipalities, and other Government agencies within five (5) working days.

602.05 Incorporation of Amendments into the Rural Code

The Rural Development Code will be updated to incorporate approved amendments within five (5) working days of a UPC decision.