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To: Park County Residents and Builders

From: Mike Smith, Director of Operations

Subject: 2018 Building Code Adoption and ASCE7 Hazard Tool

As Development Services Director of Park County, I am pleased to announce a few important updates, effective January 1, 2024:

- Adoption of 2018 Building Codes:** Our department will transition to the 2018 Building Codes, which will apply to all existing Master Plans on file.
- New Tool for Calculating Snow Loads:** To assist in calculating snow loads, we will utilize the ASCE7 Hazard tool, available at [ASCE7 Hazard Tool](#). For these calculations, please adhere to Risk Factor II, or alternatively, engineers may conduct their analyses, provided they submit detailed documentation of their methods and findings.
- Exciting Software Upgrade:** We're thrilled to introduce a new software platform that enhances our services. This upgrade allows Homeowners and Builders to:
 - Create and manage online accounts.
 - Track permit progress in real-time.
 - Schedule inspections and view results.
 - Conveniently pay for permits online.

We believe these changes will greatly benefit our community, and we are eager to see their positive impact. Our team looks forward to continuing our collaborative efforts and is excited to support you through these advancements.