LACoFD Statement for Placement onto and/or into

Building and Safety Department Expedited-Permitting Platforms for SB-379 (2022) Compliance

Notification Statement for Building and Safety Portal/Platform/App/Fire Bulletin:

SB379 is a new state law that requires cities and counties to implement an online, automated permitting platform that verifies code compliance and issues permits in realtime. Permits are issued to licensed contractors for a rooftop solar photovoltaic system (PV) and rooftop photovoltaic solar system paired with an energy storage system. (ESS)

Developed in collaboration with various stakeholders including code officials, software developers, and solar industry professionals, these tools aim to expedite the approval of installations while maintaining adherence to safety standards and local building codes.

Be advised that PV and ESS installations shall be in compliance with the latest version of the Los Angeles County Fire Code. PV and ESS-related references are provided at https://fire.lacounty.gov/fire-prevention-expeditedpyess/.

The applicant for this construction permit shall contact the Los Angeles County Fire Department, Fire Prevention Division to schedule and pass an inspection prior to use of the PV or ESS installations. If the link is not working, please contact (323) 890-4125.

If a project is not eligible for this expedited process or where the applicant elects, LACoFD continues to offer the conventional full process of plan review and inspection. The conventional process shall be required for projects not meeting the criteria for GOV §65850.52.