

EAST CONTRA COSTA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF:
Bethel Island Discovery Bay
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Oakley

The Fire Prevention Bureau is still in the development stages of getting completely set up. However, we have been pretty busy with processing plans and conducting inspections.

One of the primary focuses of the division right now is completing the electronic transition from CCCFPD. The backbone behind this transition is the installation of plan / permitting / inspection software called CodePal. The software is scheduled to be installed the first couple of weeks in January, with staff training to take place shortly after. This software will allow staff to issue permits for new construction and operational permits, issue invoices for the various permits, conduct new construction and annual inspections, and provide for a long-term solution to data management. The CodePal software was previously used by CCCFPD, and will provide access to the historical records of projects that were handle by the CCCFPD Fire Prevention Division. As part of the current installation / upgrade, the “cloud” based version of the software will be used, providing access to all records to the inspections from anywhere they have internet access.

Plan Review / Construction:

November - 38 projects submitted to the Fire Prevention Bureau. The projects are broken down as follows:

Fire Sprinkler Systems – Commercial:	1
Fire Sprinkler Systems – New Residential:	2
Fire Sprinkler Systems – Multi-Lot Residential:	15
Tenant Improvements – Commercial:	9
Special Events:	5
Other (includes Residential Care / 850 License):	6

Revenue for the month of November was \$13,633.04

December – 86 projects submitted. The following is a break down:

Fire Sprinkler Systems – Commercial:	2
Fire Sprinkler Systems – New Residential:	13
Fire Sprinkler Systems – Multi-Lot Residential:	54
Fire Alarm Systems:	3
Tenant Improvements:	6
Civil Engineering / Underground Systems:	3
Special Events:	3
Other (includes Residential Care / 850 License):	1

Revenue for the month of December was \$32,794.50

Annual Inspections:

With the anticipation of CodePal being activated this month, the Fire Prevention Bureau will begin scheduling inspections for schools, apartments, care facilities and other State Mandated inspections. Additionally, operational permits will be reviewed, and where applicable, inspections for those will be scheduled.