

DECISION PAPER



Issue:

Date: 05/14/15

Smoking prohibition for all amenities, common areas, and other Association-owned properties for the board to consider implementation for this fire season.

Background:

Currently smoking is allowed in designated areas at amenities, and prohibited within 25 feet of the amenities. Individuals are allowed to smoke on the golf course, trails, and other open space areas with no prohibitions.

Of late the Architectural Standards office and other management have received comments regarding members and guests taking part in smoking activities at the amenities with perceived concerns of fire danger due to improper handling of smoking waste.

Additionally, high risk of fire due to the drought has caused management to review existing practices and pursue mitigation measures to reduce potential wild land fires, this includes smoking at amenities. Local agencies are reviewing other measures for fire mitigation for the summer as well, but Tahoe Donner Association rules allow for the Board of Directors to put in place a smoking ban which can help in fire mitigation efforts.

Covenants Rule

II. General Common Area, Other Association Owned Property and Amenity Rules

Smoking. *Smoking at outside amenities is limited to those areas where cigarette ash receptacles are provided. During periods of "extreme" fire danger, as designated by local, state or federal authorities, smoking may be prohibited at all outside amenities, on Common Areas, and on other Association-owned properties."*

Options:

Option 1: Consider prohibiting smoking at all outside amenities, on Common Areas, and on other Association-owned properties as a result of the extreme fire danger.

Option 2: Consider prohibiting smoking at all outside amenities as a result of the extreme fire danger.

Option 3: Maintain existing smoking limitations.

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Recommendation:

Management and the Covenants Committee are recommending that the Board of Directors consider Option 1: prohibit smoking at all outside amenities, on Common Areas, and on other Association-owned properties as a result of the extreme fire danger.

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General Manager Approval: 

Date: 5/19/2015