

## Meetings set for new land use regs

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The Taos County Planning Department is going on tour to explain the contents of its 222-page draft Land Use Code. County officials hope to have the new rules in place this fall.

The code, which was years in the making, is now available for public inspection at the Taos County planning offices, the Taos Public Library and at various community centers and through neighborhood associations. The proposed revisions may also be downloaded by visiting [www.taosnews.com/downloads/landuseregs.pdf](http://www.taosnews.com/downloads/landuseregs.pdf)

The county planning department has scheduled a series of public informational meetings to explain the proposed changes and receive public input.

- Thursday (July 21), 6 p.m. at the Penasco Community Center.
- Saturday (July 23), 2 p.m. at the Cerro Community Center.

An additional public workshop on the proposed Land Use Regulations will be held Tuesday (July 26), 3 p.m. at the county commission chambers at 105 Albright St. All members of the public are invited to attend, ask questions and provide input to the commissioners.

A public hearing to adopt the proposed Land Use Regulations will be scheduled by the county commissioners during their regular meeting Aug. 2.

All property owners in the county will be sent a public notice of the hearing date, location and time, a summary of the ordinance, and how they can access a full copy of the changes proposed. A schedule of public education sessions by the planning department will also be included.

The same information will also be published for a minimum of two consecutive weeks in *The Taos News*, at least 15 days prior to the public hearing.

The proposed regulations, as amended, would become effective 30 days after adoption by the county commission.

Information about the proposed regulations and the scheduled hearings is available from the Taos County website, or from the Taos County Planning Department at (575) 737- 6440.

—*Staff Report*

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