



# Code Amendment Proposal Application

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**Read the entire code amendment proposal application before completing this form. Please complete all parts before submitting your proposal and refer to the provided checklist.**

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

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Mailing address:	Cell phone:	
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## PROPOSAL INFORMATION

Specialty code:
Code section(s):
Briefly explain the subject of your proposal:

## INSTRUCTIONS AND CHECKLIST

Fill in all the information above and submit this page, signed and dated, with the required supplementary information for Parts I, II, III, and IV described on page 2 of this application. This application may be submitted by mail to the mailing address above, or by email to [BCD.PTSPtech@oregon.gov](mailto:BCD.PTSPtech@oregon.gov).

### Summary checklist for the applicant:

- Part I** Code amendment language is attached in the proper format.
- Part II** Amendment proposal requirements for amending the code have been reviewed.
- Part III** Amendment proposal criteria questions have been answered and are attached.
- Part IV** If applicable, additional ORSC energy efficiency amendment proposal information is attached.

**Note:** One application is required for each code section you are proposing to amend. If this proposal requires changes in other sections of the code for alignment, include those changes as part of this application.

## APPLICANT SIGNATURE

Signature: *Wayne Parker* Date:

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## **2023 ORSC Code Change R301.2**

Wet Use/Location. Surfaces of walls, ceilings, floors, roofs, soffits and similar surfaces exposed to the weather shall be considered wet locations except the following:

1. Ceilings and roof soffits enclosed by walls, fascia, bulkheads or beams that extend not less than 12 inches (305 mm) below such ceiling or roof soffits.
2. Walls or portions of walls beneath an unenclosed roof area, where located a horizontal distance from an open exterior opening equal to not less than twice the height of the opening.
3. Ceiling and roof soffits located a minimum horizontal distance of 10 feet (3048 mm) from the outer edges of the ceiling or roof soffits.
4. Decks and floors without a roof cover or beneath an unenclosed roof area, where located a horizontal distance from an open exterior opening equal to not less than twice the height of the opening.

## Questionnaire for 2023 ORSC Code Change R301.2

### Proposal

1. Describe the concept and purpose of this proposal.

*To give a definition of what is considered a wet location so that the correct design factors are used. There is nothing that clearly defines what a wet location is or for which an extended period of time is. This is to give a clear definition of what is a wet location for statewide consistency in the calculation of lumber.*

2. What problem in the existing Oregon code or national model code is this proposal solving? How does this amendment address the issue? If you have evidence demonstrating the problem, submit that information.

*The code or standards do not clearly define “wet location” or “extended period of time” for when the adjustment factor is to be applied in the design of lumber.*

3. Has this been proposed at the national model code level. If so, explain when it was proposed, what happened, and why it was not adopted. Provide all associated national model code hearing information and background.

*Not sure if this has been proposed at the national level.*

### Implementation and fiscal impact

1. Explain how the proposed provisions would be enforced? Are additional inspections or permits required? Describe any necessary equipment, training, tests or special certifications.

*It would be enforced through the current plan review process. No additional inspections, equipment, tests, training, or special certifications would be required.*

2. What is the fiscal impact of this proposal? Provide a cost benefit analysis and include the resources or methods you used to determine the fiscal impact.

*Depending on the situation it can cause the lumber to be upsized for the reduction in load capacity.*

### Impacted stakeholders and other specialty codes

1. It is important that proposals be shared with stakeholders that will be impacted by them. Was this proposal developed with people or organizations likely to be affected by it? Has it been reviewed or shared with people or organizations likely to be affected by it? If so, who, and if not, why not?

*This was not shared. Ran out of time to get feed back prior to submittal.*

2. Does this proposal impact other specialty codes or statewide programs?

*Could have an impact on the OSSC if it is incorporated into it.*