
BULLETIN: DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT'S CONTINUED ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE OF STATEWIDE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PREAPPROVAL OF ANCHORAGES

PURPOSE: To inform clients of the Division of the State Architect (DSA) that for projects submitted under the 2013 and 2016 California Building Code, DSA will continue to accept the use of Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) Preapproval of Anchorages (OPAs) until December 31, 2018, after which time the acceptance will be discontinued.

DISCUSSION: Prior to adoption of the 2013 CBC, DSA accepted OSHPD OPAs as valid evaluation reports in accordance with IR A-5. With the adoption of the 2013 CBC, OSHPD discontinued the OPA program (effective March 1, 2013) and replaced it with a new pre-approval program which includes OSHPD Preapproval of Manufacturer's Certification (OPM) and Special Seismic Certification Preapproval (OSP). DSA has decided to continue acceptance of the OSHPD OPAs for a limited time to allow manufacturers adequate time to obtain OSHPD approval under their new preapproval program.