Fire Sprinkler Ordinance Update

The City of Bellingham is **not** imposing a fire sprinkler ordinance.

In addition to the sprinkler requirements of the Washington State Building Codes, the City will continue to require fire sprinkler installation in structures that are located in areas that have characteristics which could impede Fire Department emergency operations.

Examples of these characteristics include;

- When the minimum fire flow does not meet the requirements of the Fire Code,
- When a fire engine must travel on roadways steeper than 10% from the first due station to the structure, or
- There are more than 30 single-family residences on a dead-end roadway.

*Please contact Fire Marshal Jason Napier at 360-778-8422 for additional information.*