

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025–9082**

**A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF PLUMAS DIRECTING THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO  
UNDERTAKE A CODE AMENDMENT PROCESS AND BRING RECOMMENDATIONS  
OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR CONSIDERATION IN  
AMENDING ARTICLE 41, TELECOMMUNICATIONS,  
CHAPTER 2 ZONING, TITLE 9 PLANNING AND ZONING OF THE  
PLUMAS COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES**

**WHEREAS**, Section 704 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 gives authority to local agencies to regulate the design, construction, aesthetics, and land use impacts of telecommunications facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plumas County 2035 General Plan adopted on December 17, 2013, specifically requires, through Land Use (LU) Element Policy 1.9.1, Communication Tower Location Criteria, that Plumas County provide site development criteria for telecommunications facilities in Plumas County Code, Title 9 Planning and Zoning; and

**WHEREAS**, Implementation Measure 18 implementing Land Use (LU) Element Policy 1.9.1, Communication Tower Location Criteria, directs the County to undertake necessary and appropriate zoning code and zoning map changes to promote and encourage the appropriate location for cellular tower facilities and other communication technology infrastructure within the County, utilizing such measures as co-location; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission held twenty-one (21) workshops, starting in July 2017, to develop Article 41, Telecommunications; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 18, 2018, the Planning Commission held a properly noticed public hearing for Article 41, Telecommunications, and received testimony from all interested parties; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 18, 2018, the Planning Commission recommended by Resolution Number P.C. 2018-2 that the Board of Supervisors find that adoption of Article 41, Telecommunications, would not have a significant impact on the environment, adopt Negative Declaration No. 674, and adopt Article 41, Telecommunications, amending Chapter 2 Zoning, Title 9 Planning and Zoning, of Plumas County Code; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 15, 2019, and January 22, 2019, the Board of Supervisors held properly noticed public hearings for Article 41, Telecommunications, and received testimony from all interested parties; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 22, 2019, the Board of Supervisors passed and adopted, by Ordinance No. 2019-1116, Article 41, Telecommunication, by a majority vote with three (3) supervisors for (Thrall, Engel, Sanchez), one supervisor against (Simpson), and one supervisor absent (Goss); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Plumas County Code Sec. 9-2.4101, Purpose and intent, the purpose of Article 41, Telecommunications, is to define a comprehensive set of standards for the design and placement of telecommunications facilities within Plumas County that are consistent with applicable federal standards, state standards, Plumas County Code, and Plumas County General Plan that protect and enhance the safety, health, and welfare of the public by minimizing adverse general, visual, and operational impacts from telecommunications facilities while providing telecommunications in an effective and efficient manner; and

**WHEREAS**, Plumas County Code Sec. 9-2.4105(h) exempts telecommunications facilities located in the Timberland Production Zone (“TPZ”) zoning district from the standards set forth in Article 41, Telecommunications; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 9, 2024, Building Permit 24-00289 was submitted to the Building Department for the construction of a new telecommunications facility, including a 199-foot-tall lattice tower, on the property located at 1006 Powerline Road, Greenville (APN 004-030-024); and

**WHEREAS**, the property located at 1006 Powerline Road, Greenville (APN 004-030-024) is zoned Timberland Production Zone ("TPZ"); and

**WHEREAS**, on June 5, 2024, Building Permit 24-00289 was approved by the Planning Department, exempting the new telecommunications tower from the standards in Article 41, Telecommunications, pursuant to Plumas County Code Sec. 9-2.4105(h); and

**WHEREAS**, on June 8, 2024, Building Permit 24-00289 was approved by the Building Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the property located at 1006 Powerline Road, Greenville (APN 004-030-024) is coterminous to residential properties zoned Secondary Suburban ("S-3") and Rural ("R-20"); and

**WHEREAS**, telecommunications facilities located on parcels zoned Timberland Production Zone ("TPZ") create design, construction, aesthetics, and land use impacts when coterminous with parcels defined as "Residential zones" pursuant to Plumas County Code Sec. 9-2.4102(y), including Single Family Residential ("2-R," "3-R," "7-R"), Multiple-Family Residential ("M-R"), Suburban ("S-1"), Secondary Suburban ("S-3"), and Rural ("R-10" and "R-20").

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY** the Board of Supervisors of the County of Plumas, State of California, that this Board hereby directs the Planning Department to:

1. Undertake a Code Amendment process with the Plumas County Planning Commission concerning design and placement standards pursuant to Article 41, Telecommunication, Chapter 2 Zoning, Title 9 Planning and Zoning of the Plumas County Code of Ordinances for telecommunications facilities located in the Timberland Production Zone ("TPZ") zoning district when coterminous with parcels defined as "Residential zones" pursuant to Sec. 9-2.4102(y); and
2. Bring Planning Commission recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for consideration in amending Article 41, Telecommunication, Chapter 2 Zoning, Title 9 Planning and Zoning of the Plumas County Code of Ordinances.

The foregoing Resolution of Intention was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Plumas, State of California, at a meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025 by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Hall, Goss, Ceresola, Engel, McGowan

**NOES:**


**ABSTAIN:**

**ABSENT:**

Said Resolution of Intention to be effective as of the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025.

  
Kevin Goss  
Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

  
Allen Hiskey, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Approved as to form:

  
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