

# **SENATE BILL 9 (SB 9) INFORMATION**

SB 9 MAKES IT EASIER TO:

BUILD UP TO <u>4 DWELLING</u>

<u>UNITS</u> ON A PARCEL IN A

SINGLE-FAMILY ZONE

or

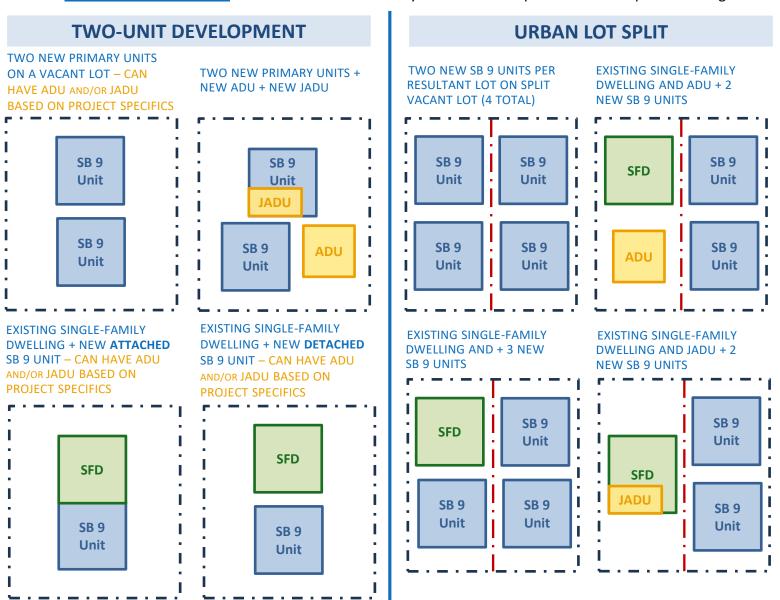
SUBDIVIDE A LOT INTO TWO THAT CAN BE SMALLER THAN THE REQUIRED MINIMUM LOT SIZE OF THE ZONE

This allows up to 4 Dwelling Units where 1 primary dwelling unit was allowed before.

SB 9 makes this easier by waiving public hearings and environmental review of qualifying projects.

### WHAT CAN I DO ON MY LOT WITH SB 9?

Contact SacPlan@SacCounty.gov for information on the many different development scenarios possible using SB 9!



These examples are <u>not</u> representative of every possible development scenario or lot configuration.

They are provided for illustration of some common scenarios only.



# **DOES MY LOT QUALIFY FOR SB 9?**

To qualify for an Urban Lot Split or a Two Unit Development project under SB 9, the following criteria must be met:

- Located in a SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONE (i.e., Residential 1 [RD-1] through Residential 10 [RD-10])
- Located in an URBANIZED AREA or URBAN CLUSTER, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau
- Not located within HISTORIC DISTRICT or included on the STATE HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY or within a
  County-designated LANDMARK or HISTORIC PROPERTY
- Not located on FARMLAND, WETLANDS, HABITAT for PROTECTED SPECIES, or CONSERVATION LANDS or EASEMENTS
- Not located in VERY HIGH FIRE ZONES, HAZARDOUS WASTE SITES, EARTHQUAKE FAULT ZONES, or FLOOD
   AREAS unless certain additional requirements are met

### **LIMITATIONS ON SB 9 PROJECTS**

#### An SB 9 project cannot <u>alter</u> or <u>demolish</u>:

- Deed-restricted AFFORDABLE HOUSING
- RENT-CONTROLLED HOUSING
- Housing on parcels with an ELLIS ACT EVICTION in the last 15 years
- Housing OCCUPIED BY A TENANT currently or in the last 3 years

#### Additional Urban Lot Split Qualifications:

- Existing Lot must be split roughly in half the smaller lot must be at least 40% of the original lot size
- Each new lot is at least 1,200 square feet. (This means the original lot must be at least 2,400 square feet for a 50/50 split; or 3,000 square feet for a 60/40 split)
- Lot is not adjacent to another lot subdivided by you (or done in concert with you) using SB 9
- Lot was not created by a previous SB 9 Urban Lot Split

# **HOW CAN I USE SB 9?**

**STEP 1:** Determine if your property meets all requirements to qualify for SB 9. Please contact <a href="mailto:SacPlan@SacCounty.gov">SacPlan@SacCounty.gov</a> for assistance

**STEP 2:** Decide if you want to pursue an Urban Lot Split and/or a Two-Unit Development

**STEP 3 – URBAN LOT SPLIT ONLY:** Apply for an SB 9 Urban Lot Split through Planning

**STEP 4:** Proceed directly to applying for a <u>Building</u>

Permit for your SB 9 Unit(s). Please indicate that your project is an SB 9 Project and identify and label the SB 9 Unit(s) and/or ADU/JADU units on the site plan.

#### 2 Unit Developments & Urban Lot Splits:

- NO SHORT-TERM RENTAL: Units created by SB 9
  cannot be used for short-term rentals (less than 30
  days)
- HOAs & CC&Rs: SB 9 does not change rules or restrictions put in place by Homeowners' Associations or Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&R) on properties
- SB 9 projects are limited to RESIDENTIAL USES ONLY
- URBAN LOT SPLIT OWNER-OCCUPANCY: Applicant
  must sign an affidavit saying they intend to live in one
  of the units created through an SB 9 Urban Lot Split
  for 3+ years after approval of an SB 9 Urban Lot Split
- JUNIOR ADU: A JADU can be located within either an existing Single Family Dwelling Unit or in a new SB 9
   Unit. JADUs have an OWNER-OCCUPANCY
   REQUIREMENT, and the property owner must occupy either the primary dwelling/SB 9 Unit that contains the JADU or the JADU
- SIZE LIMITS: There is no square footage maximum on SB 9 units; however, to qualify as an SB 9 Unit, all objective development standards must be met by the proposed unit. Please refer to the <u>ADU/JADU</u> <u>Handout</u> for applicable ADU/JADU development standards.







