



Building Department

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On April 5, 2023, the City of Lathrop Building Department updated the Residential and Commercial Solar Permit Templates in accordance with CA Legislative Assembly Bill No. 1124 (AB-1124 Solar Energy Systems), Government Code Section 66015, and the current CA Solar Permitting Guidelines.

In agreement with the above-mentioned regulations, the solar permitting process has been revised to include Energy Storage Systems in Solar Permits. Residential Solar Permit (NSLR_RES) has been revised to Residential Solar System Permit. Commercial Solar Permit (NSLR_COM) has been revised to Commercial Solar System Permit. These permit types are now based on Total Solar System Kilowattage (kW). Please refer to the table below as solar permit fees have changed.

Permit Fee Limits for PV

Residential		Commercial	
15 kW or less	\$450	50 kW or less	\$1000
More than 15 kW	\$500 + \$15 per kW above 15 kW	50 kW – 250 kW	\$1000 + \$7 per kW above 50 kW
		More than 250 kW	\$2400 + \$5 per kW above 250 kW

Existing Solar and Energy Storage System Permits applied for prior to April 5, 2023, will remain under the previous process of separate permitting. Solar System Permits applied for on or after April 5, 2023 will be subject to the updated permit fees as addressed above.

Note: Plan Check Fees are not included in the Table above and per the Government Code Section 66015 are subject to the jurisdiction's municipal codes and master fee schedule. Please refer to the City of Lathrop Master Fee Schedule for Plan Check Fee calculations.

Note: Electrical Permits in association with Solar System Permits such as main panel upgrades (MPU) must still be submitted as separate permits apart from the Solar System Permit

If you have any questions regarding the new codes or require further information please contact the City of Lathrop, Building Department at (209) 941-7223 and speak with the Chief Building Official, Ed Short.

Regards,

Ed Short, P.E., CBO, CFM
Chief Building Official