

Dan Irish

From: Steve Kessmann <stevekessmann@truckeefire.org>
Sent: Friday, November 21, 2025 10:37 AM
To: Danirish@danirish.com
Subject: RE: Austin Ridge Event Fire Inspection

Dan,

The gate to Martis Peak Road is equipped with a Knox key override and a click to enter function. Although, last I checked the click to enter function is offline and the HOA rep was seeking quotes and approval to get it back in service. The access issue arises from on street parking. When parked cars encroach on the travel lane, turnouts, or turnaround areas in the public right of way, this possess an issue for FD access.



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From: Dan Irish <danirish@danirish.com>
Sent: Friday, November 21, 2025 10:31 AM
To: Steve Kessmann <stevekessmann@truckeefire.org>
Subject: RE: Austin Ridge Event Fire Inspection

Right!

Thanks for the clarification Steve.

One other item, can you confirm that the gate to Martis Peak has the Knox System and otherwise meets the requirements of Truckee Fire for access? I believe the road / gate is 20ft wide and when we were building my property the fire engine from station 95 drove up without any issues.

From: Steve Kessmann <stevekessmann@truckeefire.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2025 3:00 PM
To: Dan Irish <danirish@danirish.com>
Subject: RE: Austin Ridge Event Fire Inspection

Dan,

I review the special event permits in the Fire District. Chapter 31 of the CFC is the primary area of concern specific to tents greater than 20'x20' along with some other sections of the Fire Code.

[Special Event Permits — Truckee Fire Protection District](#)
[Chapter 31 Tents Temporary Special Event Structures And Other Membrane Structures - California Fire Code, Title 24, Part 9](#)



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From: Dan Irish <danirish@danirish.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2025 10:36 AM
To: Steve Kessmann <stevekessmann@truckeefire.org>
Subject: Re: Austin Ridge Event Fire Inspection

Hi Steve:

Nevada County Planning sent me a letter today with some comments from the Fire Marshall regarding next year's outdoor event permit. I have some questions - but wasn't sure if you or one of your colleagues is the right person to ask for clarification on the issues related to fire safety.

Can you help me or direct me to the deputy fire marshall who reviews these permits?

On Wed, Aug 6, 2025 at 2:12 PM Steve Kessmann <stevekessmann@truckeefire.org> wrote:



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Short answer = 3' from combustibles

On Aug 5, 2025, at 1:37 PM, Austin Ridge Events <contact@austinridge.events> wrote:

Hi Steve,

Thank you for your visit to Austin Ridge for the fire permit inspection last weekend. Your expertise is invaluable for us and our vendors to ensure we have safe and successful events.

During the inspection, you noted that the outdoor heaters were too close to the shade structures. Could you please provide specific guidance on how much clearance there should be from the roof of the heaters? The heat radiates outwards and does not have enough heat displacement to directly burn anything above it. The placement of those heaters is for the cable tie-downs so the wind doesn't knock them over.

Thank you for your time,

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From: Brandon Stahl <brandonstahl@truckeefire.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2025 1:46 PM
To: danirish@danirish.com
Subject: Re: Confirmation of Knox Rapid Entry System for Martis Peak Road / Austin Way Subdivision

Dan,

Per your request, I am verifying that the Knox Rapid Entry System for the gate on Martis Peak Road is in place and fully functional. I used it a couple days ago and have used it multiple times in the past. Please let me know if you need anything else.

Thank you,

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From: Dan Irish <danirish@danirish.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2025 11:16:26 AM
To: Brandon Stahl <brandonstahl@truckeefire.org>
Subject: Confirmation of Knox Rapid Entry System for Martis Peak Road / Austin Way Subdivision

Hi Brandon:

Per our conversation just now, can you please confirm that our subdivision has the Knox Rapid Entry System and you have recently tested it to comply with the emergency access requirements?

Thank you!

-Dan