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Re: <u>CDI Issues Moratorium on Cancellations and Nonrenewals In Areas Affected By</u>
Wildfires

In the recent Bulletin 2021-9 issued by the California Department of Insurance (CDI), Commissioner Ricardo Lara directed all admitted and nonadmitted insurers to honor a one-year moratorium on policy cancellations and nonrenewals in ZIP codes affected by wildfires in six counties.

The bulletin follows a state of emergency declared by Governor Gavin Newsom on October 22, 2021. It covers ZIP codes in Kern, Mendocino, Siskiyou, Trinity, Tulare and Tuolumne counties. The areas covered in the emergency declaration, by California law, are to be free of cancellations or nonrenewals for one year following the declaration.

The bulletin also orders insurers to rescind any cancellations or nonrenewals in the affected areas after the emergency declaration dates, and offer to reinstate or renew policies in effect at the time of the governor's emergency declaration.

To view the original CDI bulletin, which includes the affected ZIP codes, please click here.