



California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

Date Issued	May 16, 2007	Interpretation #	06-070
Topic	Height and Area Increases for E-2 Occupancies		
Code Section(s)	Table 5-B		
Requested by	Larry G. Williams Fire Prevention Supervisor Fire Prevention Bureau Ventura County Fire Department 165 Durley Ave. Camarillo, CA 93010		

For a building limited to a single story per Table 5-B, can the multi-story area increase under 504.2 be allowed when fire sprinklers are provided for a story increase under 506? i.e.,: 2 story E-2 occupancy, Type V-N with fire sprinklers (for 506 story increase). Is the total allowable area 2 stories @ 9100 or 18,200 sq ft?

Yes. Per Table 5-B, a Group E-2 occupancy Type VN is limited to one story and 9,100 ft². By using Section 506, the height may be increased by one story so that the total allowable area would then be 18,200 ft².