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California Wildland Urban Interface:

With regard to use in California in new buildings located in any Fire Hazard Severity Zone within State Responsibility Areas or any Wildland Interface Fire Area, the architect needs to specify an exterior wall covering that complies with CBC Section 707A.3 or CRC Section R337.7.3. Compliance typically requires using a noncombustible exterior wall covering material complying with ASTM E136, an ignition resistant exterior wall covering material complying with SFM Standard 12-7A-5, or a wall assembly complying with SFM Standard 12-7A-1.

2016 CBC Section 707A.3 or 2016 CRC Section R337.7.3 allows use of one layer of 5/8-inch-thick, Type X gypsum sheathing applied behind the exterior covering or cladding on the exterior side of the framing assembly to comply with SFM Standard 12-7A-1.