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## Central & Northern Interior Zone REPORT

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**Level 2 Study Session was held on March 6 & 7, 2009 at the City Hall Conference Room. Twelve people attended including an architect and 3 building designers. The facilitator was Roy Thomassen of District of Oak Bay.**

**Zone Meeting was held on April 7, 2009 attended only by 7 building inspectors, the rest were attending the plumbing study session in Williams Lake. One topic that we spent more time discussing was the change of Level 3 exam format from 10 to 5 papers. Members were disappointed that there was no transition period provided, and the mandatory 2-hour limit for each exam paper. It makes sense and reasonable that those who already started the old 10-paper format should be allowed to complete the 10 papers. Otherwise they could end up repeating the same exam or part of the papers that they have already passed. There was an inquiry whether this change, which is a major change has been approved and recommended by the Executive Committee and confirmed by the Membership?**

**We got two new regular members added to our zone, Scott Berry of Fort Nelson, BC and Ted Hay of 100 Mile House, BC.**

**Building permits particularly in the residential sector is down considerably, while the commercial, industrial and building renovations are substantially improving.**

Respectfully submitted,

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