



MIKE CAUSEY
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

BRIAN TAYLOR
STATE FIRE MARSHAL

March 9, 2026

Mr. Robbie Ferris
SfL+a Architects
333 Fayetteville Street, Suite 225
Raleigh, NC 27601

**RE: Flatwoods Middle School – Fire Sprinkler
Lillington, NC – Harnett County**

Dear Mr. Ferris,

Plans relative to the above-named project received on March 9, 2026 have been reviewed for general compliance with the 2018 North Carolina Building Code, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA 13) Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems, 2013 edition. Per Chapter 23 of this standard, the following shall be submitted with working plans to perform a complete review.

Please provide a comments letter addressing the following along with updated drawings that have clouded revisions including clouded hydraulic calculations where updates/corrections are made. Please also provide an electronic version of these updated plans via a download link as we are transitioning to electronic plans review.

1. Comment response #10 noted, Civil/Utility to provide when available. Provide cut sheets to confirm types of valves, valve indicators, regulators, meters, and valve pits, and the depth that the top of the pipe is laid below grade per NFPA 13, Chapter 23, section 23.1.3 #28.
2. Comment response #11 noted, Civil/Utility to provide when available. Provide provisions for flushing the underground private main per NFPA 13, Chapter 23, section 23.1.3 #29.
3. Comment response #12 noted, Civil/Utility to provide when available. Provide cut sheets on backflow preventer per NFPA 13, Chapter 23, section 23.1.3 #41.
4. Comment response #14 noted, Civil/Utility to provide when available. Provide cut sheets to confirm size, location and piping arrangement of fire department connection (FDC) per NFPA 13, Chapter 23, section 23.1.3 #44.

Approval was given to issue shell permits on 1-15-2026. Final approval is pending resolution of the above listed items. Further reviews will follow when the above has been reviewed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Travis L. Culter".

OFFICE OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL

Travis L. Crabtree
Building and Fire Code Consultant

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CC: Harnett County