
EL DORADO COUNTY FILM PERMIT PROGRAM

JUNE 24, 2025





RECOMMENDATIONS

- Direct staff to prepare a County Film Ordinance based on the State's recommended Model Filming Ordinance and rescind EDC Resolution 86-90.
- Direct staff to submit the County Film Ordinance to the California Film Commission as required per Government Code 14999.21.
- Direct staff to prepare a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County and the El Dorado Chamber of Commerce on behalf of El Dorado Tahoe Film + Media (Film Office).
- Direct staff to prepare a fee schedule for Film Permit activities.
- Return to the Board with a Film Permit Ordinance, MOU and Fee Schedule for approval.

COUNTY FILM ORDINANCE

- Resolution 86-90 not updated since April 1990
- Current state code requires a designated person for commercial film activities
- Submit any draft ordinance to the California Film Commission 30 days prior to adoption (advisory only)
- Can't charge fees that exceed actual costs incurred.





MOU

- El Dorado Chamber/El Dorado Tahoe Film + Media (Film Office)
- Clarifies obligations of County, Chamber & Film Office
- Establish County film permit fees
- Payment structure
- Robust data collection & reporting

COUNTY FILM PERMIT FEES

- Use of County roads, facilities or properties
 - Shooting days
 - Prep/Strike days
- Application fee (primary basis for data collection)
- Date Change fee (not weather related)
- Sliding scale based on size/type of production
- Collected by County to offset annual Film Office costs (\$150,750)



EXAMPLE FILM PERMIT FEES

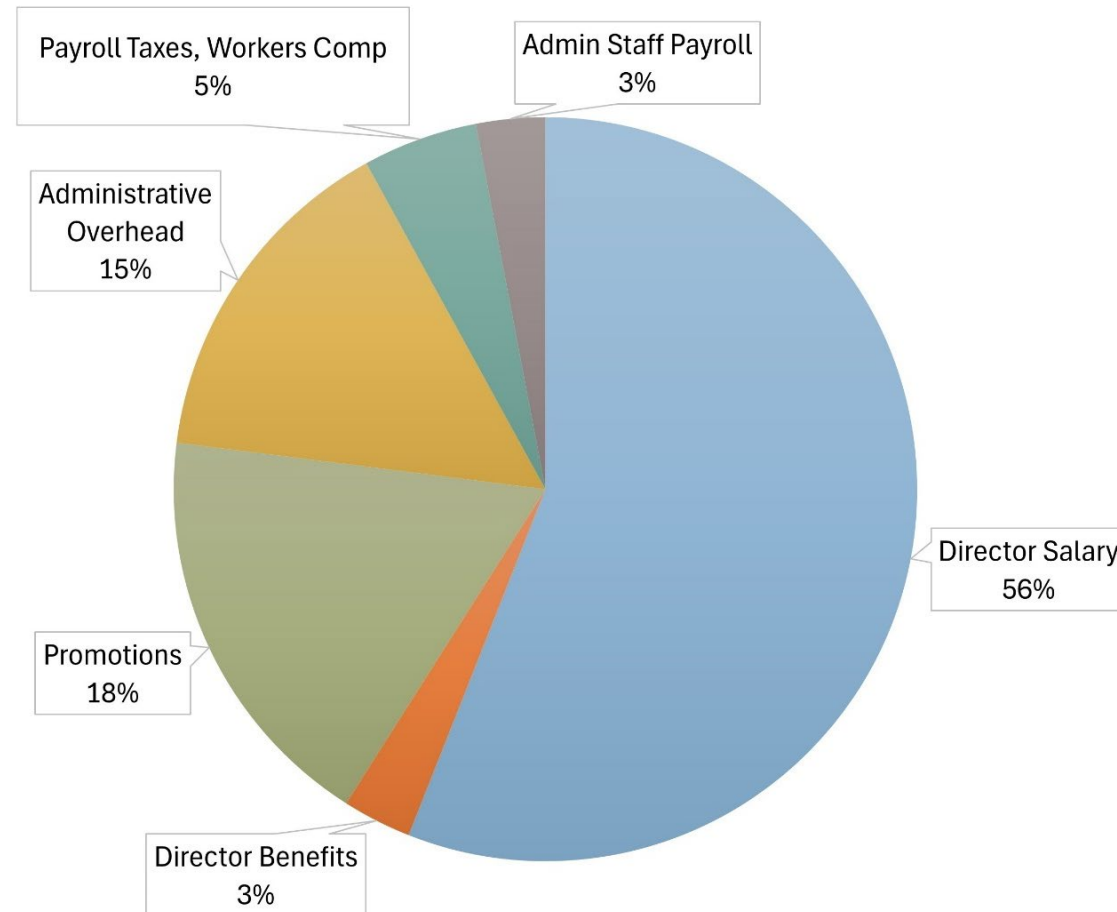
- City of Placerville Location Fees

Crew Size	Fee
1-59	No Charge
60-99	\$500/filming day
100+	\$1,000/filming day
- EID/Sly Park Recreation Area

<u>Film</u>		
Crew Size	Shooting	Prep/Strike
1-20	\$500/day	\$250/day
21-50	\$1,000/day	\$500/day
51-100	\$2,000/day	\$1,000/day
<u>Photography</u>		
1-10	\$300/day	\$150/day
11-20	\$500/day	\$250/day
21-50	\$1,000/day	\$500/day



FILM OFFICE FUNDING (\$150,750)





DIRECT STAFF TO:

- Prepare County Film Ordinance based on State's model with one addition regarding application to collect "other information as deemed necessary"
- Submit Film Ordinance to California Film Commission
- Prepare an MOU with the El Dorado Chamber/Film Office
- Prepare a fee schedule
- Return to Board with Ordinance, MOU & Fee Schedule
- Pay quarterly beginning July 1st