Foundations on or adjacent to slopes steeper than 3:1 shall comply with the following:

**Section 1808.7 of the 2016 California Building Code** provides the required clearances from a building foundation to the top of a descending slope or the toe of an ascending slope.

**ALTERNATE SETBACK AND CLEARANCE**

An alternate setback may be considered provided a soils engineer substantiates the request with the support of a geotechnical report. **The request must be approved by the Building Official.**

To request an alternate clearance and/or setback, please provide the following:

A written recommendation from a qualified engineer indicating the specific condition(s) that do not meet the provisions of the code, and demonstrate how the alternate setback and/or clearance will satisfy the intent of the code, including consideration of material; height of slope; slope gradient; load intensity; and erosion characteristics of slope material

Please also provide any testing or documentation that supports the proposed setback and/or clearance.

**POOLS**

The setback between pools and slopes shall be ½ the building foundation setback. That portion of the pool wall within 7 feet from the top of the slope shall be capable of supporting water in the pool without soil support.