

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY OREGON

In the Matter of Extending the Time)
for Reduced Development Permit Fees)
for Victims of the 2007 Pacific Storm)
Event

Order No. 77-2009

WHEREAS, in December of 2007, portions of Columbia County were devastated by major Pacific storms; and

WHEREAS, the storms caused significant damage to homes and businesses within the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners determined it in the best interest of the County to aid storm victims in reconstructing after their losses by offering a reduction in development permit fees for development permits sought in association with 2007 Pacific Storm Event damages; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Order No. 154-2007 applying a methodology for offering development permit fee reductions, a copy of which is attached hereto as "Exhibit a" and incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that more time is necessary for reconstruction by storm victims and accordingly wishes to extend the deadline for storm victims to take advantage of the reduced development permit fees;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. County inspectors shall continue to conduct initial structural, electrical and on-site disposal system assessments for any and all 2007 storm damage victims without cost.
2. The methodology for private landowners and public entities adopted in Order No. 154-2007 for determining applicable development permit fees shall continue to apply.
3. Any state surcharge costs shall continue to be charged the County.

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4. The fee reductions are made retroactive to December 12, 2008, and shall continue until December 12, 2010.

Dated this 10th day of November, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR
COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: 

Rita Bernhard, Chair

By: _____

Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

By: 

Earl Fisher, Commissioner

Approved as to form

By: 

County Counsel's Office

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY OREGON

In the Matter of Authorizing)
Reduced Development Permit)
Fees for Victims of the 2007 Event) Order No. 154-2007

WHEREAS, in December of 2007, portions of Columbia County were devastated by major Pacific storms; and

WHEREAS, the storms caused significant damage to homes and businesses within the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the County to aid storm victims in reconstructing after their losses; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that a method to encourage proper redevelopment is to offer a reduction in development permit fees for development permits sought in association with 2007 Pacific Storm Event damages, including but not limited to flood damage, wind damage, and landslide damage;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. County inspectors shall conduct initial structural, electrical and on-site disposal system assessments for any and all 2007 storm damage victims without cost.
2. FOR PRIVATE LANDOWNERS:
 - a. Each documented storm damage victim shall receive a 50% reduction in the County's building permit and/or on-site sewage disposal permit fees. Building permits include electrical and structural permit fees.
 - b. Storm victim status may be established with any of the following documentation: copies of insurance inspections, confirmation of an assessment inspection by a local inspector, or by a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) eligibility report.
 - c. The state surcharge costs shall continue to be charged by the County.
 - d. The fee reductions shall continue until December 12, 2008.
3. FOR PUBLIC ENTITIES:
 - a. Each flood affected public entity shall be reimbursed for the portion of a permit not reimbursed by FEMA or by private insurance after a check from FEMA or from

private insurance is issued. Once the check is issued, the entity shall submit a letter to Land Development Services documenting the difference between the amount paid for the permit and the amount reimbursed or reimbursable by other entities. The letter should include the amount requested to be refunded by the County.

- b. The state surcharges shall continue to be charged.
- c. The fee reductions shall continue until December 12, 2008.
- 4. A copy of this fee reduction order will be sent to all cities with which the County has entered into intergovernmental agreements for building inspection services.
- 5. Appeals of a fee reduction eligibility determination or the amount of the fee waiver may be brought before the Board of County Commissioners.

Dated this 12th day of December, 2007.

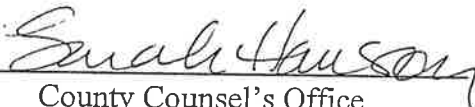
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