

Governor Scott's Executive Order Allows A Time Extension for Development Orders Due to Algae

On June 30, 2016, Governor Scott declared a state of emergency for Palm Beach County, based on algae discharges from Lake Okeechobee. The state of emergency was declared through Executive Order Number 16-156.

Per Section 252.363, F.S. (enacted by SB 2156, in 2011), the declaration of a state of emergency tolls (extends) the period remaining to exercise the rights under a Palm Beach County development order for the duration of the emergency declaration plus an additional six months. In addition, through Executive Orders 16-204 and 16-235, the Governor has signed two 60-day extensions of the original EO.

Taken together, the three declarations of emergency will allow a time extension of **363 days** for a development order. The 363 days will be added to the due dates submitted by the applicant on the time extension request form. The extension will be applied to commencement dates, buildout dates, and mitigation activities, including the next phase of a phased development.

The Monitoring Section of the County's PZ&B Department will process the development order time extension application for owners that apply for it (or agents representing the owner).

The SB 2156 application form is posted on the (PZ&B) Monitoring Section web site at:

<http://www.pbcgov.com/pzb/planning/monitoring/index.htm>

Anyone wishing to apply for this time extension, should complete one application form for each development order, and attach a check for \$82 to each extension request (to cover processing).

The updated deadline for submitting this application is **March 27, 2017**.

This time extension would be appropriate for any project which might not commence or plat by the current commencement date, or for conditions that might not be satisfied by their due dates.

For more information, call David Wiloch at 561-233-5593, or email to: DWiloch@pbcgov.org

ACTION STEPS

- Print the application from the website and complete it (agents will need owner's authorization).
- Include in the application all due dates you wish to have extended: commencement, dated conditions, or Traffic Performance Standards.
- Attach a check for \$82, made out to **Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners**.
- Mail or deliver the application to the Monitoring Section of the Planning Division, on the 2nd floor of the Vista Center (address is on the form).