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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Re: Hurricane Mitigation Retrofits

The following notice is issued in compliance with the Florida Statute 553.844 pertaining to the requirements for the mitigation retrofitting of site-built, single family structures. Effective October 1, 2007, all permits issued for the re-roofing of single-family residences constructed prior to the implementation of the Florida Building Code (March 1, 2002) shall comply with the requirements of the Hurricane Mitigation Retrofit Manual (HMRM).

Contractor's responsibility:

- Determine what year the Single Family Residence was built. This may be done by using the Osceola County Property Appraiser's website at: <http://www.property-appraiser.org/> or following this link for record search: <http://ira.property-appraiser.org>
- Determine the wind region where the structure is located. The minimum wind speed for Osceola County is 110mph for central and western parts of the county and 120mph for the eastern part of the county. You may find the region where the structure is located by downloading the Osceola County Wind Speed Map at <http://www.osceola.org/index.cfm?lsFuses=Department/BuildingDepartment/11975>. You will need the Range and Township found on the description of the property.
- Ensure that the existing roof deck is fastened in accordance with section 201.1 of the HMRM.
- Supplemental fastening will be required if the fastening of the roof deck is not in compliance with Table 201.1 of the HMRM.
- Install a secondary water resistant barrier as required by section 201.2 of the HMRM.
- At the time of final inspection, the contractor shall provide to the inspector, the completed Inspection Affidavit attesting to the fact that the applicable requirements of the Hurricane Mitigation Retrofit Manual have been met.

Copies of the manual, inspection affidavit and related information are available to be downloaded on our web page for Hurricane Mitigation Retrofits at www.osceola.org.