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Suffolk Announces Expedited Permitting Process

SUFFOLK, VA (August 31, 2011) – In an effort to assist those affected by Hurricane Irene, the City of Suffolk Planning and Community Development announces a plan for expedited permitting.

For those that sustained damages in the storm, the following repairs will not require a permit for residential structures not located in a historic district:

shingle replacement, vinyl siding / vinyl trim replacement, roof sheeting less than 100 square feet, window or door replacement of same size.

Other repairs not covered above may require a permit and if a property owner or contractor is unsure they should contact the Community Development Division at 514-4150. Callers will be advised of all required documentation to expedite the permitting process.

For permit repairs for storm damage, the Community Development division will verify that repairs are due to storm damage and will be processed at that time by the permit technician at the front counter. Repairs that may require an architectural/engineer seal such as roof truss replacement will be assigned to the plans reviewer for expedited review and approval and priority placement.

All other permitting questions can be answered at 757-514-4150

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