15A NCAC 07I .0507 LOCAL PERMIT OFFICER

(a) The local implementation and enforcement plan shall designate an existing local official or create a new position for an official who shall receive, review, and take all appropriate action as to applications for minor development permits. The locality shall inform the Department of all Local Permit Officers (LPO) who will implement or enforce the local implementation and enforcement plan.

(b) The implementation and enforcement plan shall specify the job requirements of the LPO as mandated by this Section.

(c) The LPO shall attend the Department's training course within one year of appointment. The LPO shall also attend those regular regional work sessions held by the Department to inform and coordinate the activities of the LPOs in each region.

(d) In order to continue to process permits in a timely fashion, eligible permit-letting agencies shall immediately notify the Commission in writing when the LPO resigns or is for any reason unable to perform their duties.

(e) This notice shall indicate the method or methods by which the locality will continue to process permits in a timely fashion. Such methods may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (1) The appointment of a temporary (LPO) until such time as a permanent replacement is selected.
- (2) The appointment of one or more LPO(s).
- (3) Evidence that an agreement exists between the locality and another agency for the assumption of the implementation and enforcement program.
- (4) A formal request that the Secretary assume the permit function for the locality.

(f) From date of receipt and acceptance of application and/or decision on an application, the LPO shall within five business days mail and submit copies of same to the field representative or the nearest district office of the Division of Coastal Management.

(g) The LPO shall, on a quarterly basis, summarize for the Commission the receipt and disposition of all permit applications for the immediately preceding quarter.

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