

RESOLUTION NO. 10-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF AN APPLICATION FEE FOR A WETLAND AND OTHER SURFACE WATERS PRELIMINARY LETTER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Wakulla County, Florida (the “Board”) has enacted Ordinance No. 10-16 relating to the protection of Wetlands and other Surface Waters (the “Wetlands Protection Ordinance”), which requires that property owners apply for a Wetlands and Other Surface Waters Preliminary Letter from the Wakulla County Planning Department prior to commencing any Development, as defined in such Ordinance on any lot or parcel of land located within Wakulla County;

WHEREAS, Section 6 of the Wetlands Protection Ordinance requires that applications for a Wetlands and other Surface Waters Preliminary Letter include an application fee, as established by resolution by the Board;

WHEREAS, the application fees for the Wetlands and other Surface Waters Preliminary Letter will constitute a regulatory fee imposed to cover the costs for determining whether Wetlands or other Surface Waters are likely to exist on a lot or parcel of property;

WHEREAS, the fees established herein are reasonably related to the staff time and associated costs involved in reviewing applications and supporting documentation and issuing Wetlands and other Surface Waters Preliminary Letters, and in verifying the landward extent of Wetlands and other Surface Waters in a delineation submitted by a property owner pursuant to the Wetlands Protection Ordinance, or identifying the boundary line of a buffer established in the Wetlands Protection Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of Wakulla County that the fees provided for herein be established by the Board.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Wakulla County, Florida, that:

SECTION 1. RECITALS. The above recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF APPLICATION FEES FOR WETLANDS AND OTHER SURFACE WATERS PRELIMINARY LETTER. A fee is hereby established for the purpose of processing applications for a Wetlands and Other Surface Waters Preliminary Letter required pursuant to Wakulla County Ordinance No. 10-16, and reviewing all necessary documentation and/or conducting inspections of lots or parcels of property seeking to be developed, as follows:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Review of application and supporting documents	\$20
Inspection of real property:	
Inspection of 1-5 acres	\$18
Inspection of additional acreage in 5 acre increments	\$9 for each additional 1-5 acres

SECTION 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF FEES FOR VERIFICATION OF WETLAND AND OTHER SURFACE WATER DELINEATIONS. A fee is hereby established for the purpose of verifying and confirming a delineation of the landward extent of a Wetland or other Surface Water and the boundary of the buffers established in the Wetlands Protection Ordinance, as follows:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Additional staff time	\$18 per hour
Outside consultant time	Actual cost

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall become effective on September ____, 2010.

DONE AND ADOPTED in Wakulla County, Florida, by a vote of ____ to ____ this ____ day of _____, 2009.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

HOWARD KESSLER, Chairman

ATTEST:

BRENT X. THURMOND, Ex Officio
Clerk to the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Heather Encinosa, Esq.
County Attorney