



COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM

TOLLING AND EXTENSIONS OF PERMITS AND OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS

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On March 9, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued statewide Executive Emergency Order EO 20-52 for COVID-19 that expired on May 8, 2020. On May 8, the Governor issued a renewal and ratification of EO-52 in EO-114 that will expire on July 7, 2020.

Certain permit and development approval tolling provisions and extensions may be available due to emergency orders issued for a natural emergency pursuant to Section 252.363, Florida Statutes, which provides a tolling period for the duration of the emergency order plus an additional six months for those permits and development approvals listed below:

- The expiration of a development order issued by a local government.
- The expiration of a building permit.
- The expiration of a permit issued by the Department of Environmental Protection or a water management district pursuant to part IV of chapter 373.
- The buildout date of a development of regional impact, including any extension of a buildout date that was previously granted as specified in s. 380.06(7)(c).

Within 90 days after the termination of the emergency declaration, the holder of the permit or other authorization must notify the issuing authority of the intent to exercise the tolling and extension periods listed above. The notice must be in writing and identify the specific permit or other authorization qualifying for extension.

Written notices of intent to take advantage of the tolling period plus the six-month extension for the EO 20-52 emergency declaration (as extended by EO 20-114) must be filed with the approving authority no later than October 5. This deadline is subject to change if the statewide Emergency Order is renewed and extended in the future.

Tolling and extension notifications must be submitted before the expiration date of the issued permit or authorization. Written verification of any extension should be requested from the approving authority.

Some restrictions may apply. Please contact [Deborah A. Getzoff](#) for more information or assistance at DGetzoff@shutts.com.