# POST-STORM GUIDANCE COASTAL CONSTRUCTION CONTROL LINE



In response to an emergency created by the landfall of tropical systems, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) may issue an Emergency Final Order (EFO) that waives specific rules and statutes to address the need for immediate response and recovery actions.

The DEP Division of Water Resource Management has developed the following table to provide property owners and local governments with a concise explanation of activities that are authorized seaward of the Coastal Construction Control Line (CCCL) under the EFO. Note that consultation with Florida's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) may be required for activities conducted during marine turtle nesting season.

### **RECOVERY ACTIVITIES FOR PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS**

### **Debris Removal - Private Property Owners**

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Storm debris, vessels,	Debris on private property,	Local authorization through	Beach compatible sand should
vegetation, and/or structural	either upland or on sandy	EFO or emergency CCCL permit	be separated from the debris
remains	beach		and kept on site prior to debris
			removal. Removed debris must
			be deposited landward of the
			CCCL.
Removal of storm generated	Seaward of the Mean High-	Local Authorization through	Can be performed by private
debris on the beach	Water Line	EFO or emergency CCCL permit	land owners, but this activity is typically managed through the local government.

### Repairs to Non-Substantially Damaged Structures - Private Property Owners

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Repairs to non-substantially damaged structures; securing structures temporarily;	Damaged structures seaward of the CCCL	Local government authorization	Activities authorized are for temporary measures or repairs to pre-storm conditions.
removal of safety hazards and prevention of further damage.			to pre storm conditions.
Repair or replacement of non- structural components of buildings/structures.	Exterior glass windows/ panels, roof sheathing, studs and walls.	Local government authorization	Glass windows and doors that are visible from any point on the beach should be replaced by tinted glass with a transmittance value of 45% or less. Must comply with local building codes and stay within the building footprint.
Repair or replacement of minor ancillary structures and service utilities associated with existing habitable structures.	Access stairways, stair landings, and on-site utilities	Local authorization through EFO or Emergency CCCL permit	Repaired or replaced components shall not exceed the footprint or the size of the original ancillary structure damaged or destroyed by the storm.

# Repairs to Substantially Damaged Structures – Private Property Owners

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Repair of substantially	Damaged structures seaward	Emergency CCCL permit	Permanent repair of
damaged or destroyed	of the CCCL		foundations of major
structures			structures, which have been
			substantially damaged, or
			rebuilding major structures.

# **Sand Placement – Private Property Owners**

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Beach scraping	Beaches and dunes	NOT AUTHORIZED	
Sand fill/dune restoration	On private property, on the dune and above mean high water	Local authorization through EFO or emergency CCCL permit/field permit	Activities includes the return of sand to the beach and dune that was deposited in the upland during the storm or the placement of supplemental beach compatible sand from an upland source. All sand placed shall be free of debris and not cover any Hurricanegenerated debris or construction debris.

# **Public Access – Private Property Owners**

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Activity Repair of surviving beach/dune walkovers	Dune walkovers	Permits Needed  Local authorization through  EFO or Emergency CCCL  permit/field permit	Repairs must allow for adjustments to be made to the seaward end of the walkover to accommodate changes to the beach and dune from the storm, and be no farther than 10 feet seaward of the dune or
Replacement of damaged beach/dune walkovers, decks, gazebos, or similar structures*  *Decks, gazebos, or similar structures shall not be reconstructed on the beach, seaward of the stormimpacted eroded dune.	Dune walkovers	Emergency CCCL permit/field permit	Replacement may be required if a walkover is damaged beyond repair, or destroyed. Application for a CCCL field permit is required. Reconstruction must allow for adjustments to be made to the seaward end of the walkover to accommodate changes to the beach and dune from the storm and be no farther than 10 feet seaward of the dune or vegetation line.

### **Coastal Armoring – Private Property Owners**

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Repair of armoring	Bulkhead/seawall caps and	Local authorization through	Complies with Rule 62B-
components	tiebacks (anchoring systems),	EFO or emergency CCCL permit	33.0051, F.A.C., for minor
	rock revetments.		reconstruction of coastal
			armoring.
Complete or partial	Seawalls, Bulkheads,	CCCL permit required	Complies with Rule 62B-
replacement/ reconstruction	revetments, revetments, geo-		33.0051, F.A.C., for major
building of damaged armoring	textile containers or other rigid		reconstruction of coastal
	structures		armoring or Rule 62B-56,
			F.A.C., for geo-textile
			containers.
Temporary armoring	Wooden retaining walls,	Local authorization through	Walls should not have
	cantilever sheet pile walls,	EFO or emergency CCCL permit	concrete caps, tiebacks or
	sandbags		reinforcements and must be
			removed within 60 days of
			installation or CCCL
			authorization must be
			requested to maintain
			temporary armoring.
New permanent armoring	Seawalls, Bulkheads,	CCCL permit required	Complies with Rule 62B-
	revetments, geo- textile		33.0051, F.A.C., for new
	containers or other rigid		coastal armoring, or Rule 62B-
	structures.		56, F.A.C., for geo-textile
			containers.

# RECOVERY ACTIVITIES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, DEP'S DIVISION OF RECREATION AND PARKS (DRP), FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT), AND UTILITY COMPANIES

# Debris Removal – Local Governments, DEP's DRP, FDOT, and Utilities

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Removal of debris, sunken vessels, trash, and/or structural remains if no dredge or fill.	Debris that has washed into waters, wetlands, or uplands by the storm	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Section 10, permit for activities within navigable waterways.	Beach compatible sand should be separated from the debris and kept on site prior to debris removal. Removed debris must be deposited landward of the CCCL.
Removal of debris, trash, and/or structural remains if no dredge or fill	Debris on private property either upland or on sandy beach	EFO	Beach compatible sand should be separated from the debris and kept on site prior to debris removal. Removed debris must be deposited landward of the CCCL.

## Repairs to Substantially Damaged Structures – Local Governments, DEP's DRP, FDOT, and Utilities

Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Damaged structures seaward	Emergency CCCL permit	Permanent repair of
of the CCCL		foundations of major
1		structures, which have been
1		substantially damaged, or
		rebuilding major structures.
	Damaged structures seaward	Damaged structures seaward Emergency CCCL permit

# Repairs to Non-Substantially Damaged Structures – Local Governments, DEP's DRP, FDOT, and Utilities

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Repairs to non-substantially damaged structures, Securing structures temporarily, removal of safety hazards and prevention of further damage.	Damaged structures seaward of the CCCL	Authorization through EFO	Activities authorized are for temporary measures or repairs to pre-storm conditions.
Repair or replacement of non- structural components of buildings/structures.	Exterior glass windows and panels, roof sheathing, studs and wall. sheathing.	Authorization through EFO	Glass windows and doors that are visible from any point on the beach should be replaced by tinted glass with a transmittance value of 45% or less. Must comply with local building codes and stay within the building footprint.
Repair or replacement of minor ancillary structures and service utilities associated with existing habitable structures.	Access stairways, stair landings, and on- site utilities	Authorization through EFO	Repaired or replaced components shall not exceed the footprint or the size of the original ancillary structure damaged or destroyed by the storm. Repairs or replacements of retaining walls, decks, and gazebos are specifically excluded.

## Sand Placement – Local Governments, DEP's DRP, FDOT, and Utilities

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Sand fill/dune restoration	On private property, on the	EFO or Emergency CCCL/Field	Activities includes the return of
	dune and above mean high	Permit	sand to the beach and dune
	water		that was deposited in the
			upland during the storm or the
			placement of supplemental
			beach compatible sand from
			an upland source. All sand
			placed shall be free of debris
			and not cover any Hurricane-
			generated debris or
			construction debris.
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### Sand Placement, continued - Local Governments, DEP's DRP, FDOT, and Utilities

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Beach scraping	Beaches and dunes	CCCL permit required	Requires request by local
			government and assessment of beach condition/sand availability.

### Public Access - Local Governments, DEP's DRP, FDOT, and Utilities

Activity	Location	Permits Needed	Conditions
Repair of utilities, roads, and beach access points	Seaward of the CCCL	EFO	All permanent repairs must conform to current state and federal codes/standards and must not extend beyond the limits of the original structure or activity.
Repair of surviving beach/dune walkovers.	Dune walkovers	Emergency CCCL permit, field permit or EFO	The replacement of walkover structures is not authorized without a DEP permit (See below). Repairs must allow for adjustments to be made to the seaward end of the walkover to accommodate changes to the beach and dune from the storm and be no farther than 10 feet seaward of the dune or vegetation line.
Replacement of damaged beach/dune walkovers, decks, gazebos, or similar structures*  *Decks, gazebos, or similar structures shall not be reconstructed on the beach, seaward of the stormimpacted eroded dune.	Dune walkovers	Emergency CCCL permit/field permit	Replacement may be required if a walkover is damaged beyond repair or destroyed. Application for a CCCL field permit is required. Reconstruction must allow for adjustments to be made to the seaward end of the walkover to accommodate changes to the beach and dune from the storm and be no farther than 10 feet seaward of the dune or vegetation line.

**Note:** Work on sea turtle nesting beaches, including the frontal dune, within sea turtle nesting season must be coordinated with FWC. The sea turtle nesting season runs May 1 through October 31, or for Brevard through Broward Counties, March 1 through October 31. Contact FWC at: marineturtle@myfwc.com, or call 850-922-4330.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO OBTAIN A CCCL EMERGENCY PERMIT:

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