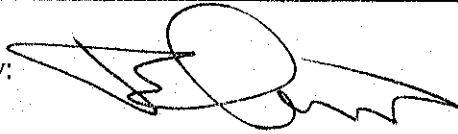


Policy Title: **Jurisdictions for all structures abutting the Mean High Water Line**

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Overview:

Description: This policy letter implements how the Department of Growth Management planning staff determines a projects jurisdiction between Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Okaloosa County Department of Growth Management.

Purpose/Rationale: The staff recognizes the fact that some projects need a definite line which can determine the correct jurisdiction for the project.

Application: Okaloosa County Department of Growth Management will no longer be involved with the permitting of structures as that lies with FDEP and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Permits will still be issued for structures that have a covered roof as well as any electrical hookups and for plumbing.

Policy:

General:

- a. Okaloosa County Department of Growth Management has responsibility for any structures that are greater than ten (10) feet upland from the Mean High Water (MHW) line. FDEP and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have responsibility for any structure seaward of the Okaloosa County Department of Growth Management jurisdiction.
- b. When any wetlands are involved, projects will be reviewed on a case by case situation to determine jurisdiction.