

February 8, 2022

Ms. Laurie Hodson  
Office Manager  
Columbia County Building and Zoning Department  
135 NE Hernando Ave, Suite B-21  
Lake City, FL 32055

**Re.: Finished floor elevation (F.F.E.) exemption**  
**Project: Rhodes Proposed Residence**  
**Parcel Id No.: 32-6S-17-09827-008**  
**Site Address: 519 SW Atlantis Place, Fort White, FL-32038**

Dear Ms. Hodson

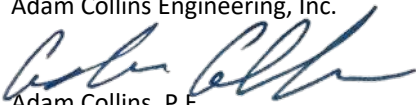
It is the intent of this letter to designate the proposed residential construction on parcel #32-6S-17-09827-008 as exempt from the finished floor elevation requirements stated in section 4.2.40 of the Columbia County Land Development Regulations.

I attest that the parcel is not located within a designated floodplain per Suwannee River Water Management District Effective Flood Information Report and the current FEMA FIRM panel #12023C0495C. The proposed residential construction shall have a minimum F.F.E. of 24 inches above the highest existing grade adjacent to the structure. The elevation criteria shall apply to all sides of the structure. This letter serves only to provide the required documentation for the F.F.E. exemption listed in section 4.2.40.1. and shall not indemnify the contractor from ensuring positive drainage away from the structure on all sides, as well as, directing said runoff downhill or to the closest adjacent storm-water conveyance mechanism. All construction activities on the aforementioned parcel are the responsibility of others.

This letter does not imply that land outside the areas of special flood hazard or uses permitted within such areas will be free from flooding or flood damages. The degree of flood protection offered by the elevation parameters cited above are considered reasonable for regulatory purposes and is based on scientific and engineering consideration. Larger floods can and will occur on rare occasions. Flood heights may be increased by man-made or natural causes. This letter shall not create liability on the part of Adam Collins Engineering, Inc., or its officers for any flood damages that may result from these scenarios.

I hereby certify that the F.F.E. listed above will protect the structure against water damage from a base flood event, as defined in article 8 of the Land Development Regulations.

Best Regards,  
Adam Collins Engineering, Inc.

  
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