



# e-Connection

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**TO:** All Santa Rosa County Contractors  
**FROM:** Development Services Staff  
**SUBJECT:** Notification of Increased Plan Submissions and Senate Bill No. 2502-A  
**DATE:** June 30, 2015

Residential plans are typically reviewed by zoning and building staff within 7 business days. With the recent increase of plan submissions due to the code changes, we anticipate these reviews to take 7 to 12 business days.

We have also experienced an increase in faxed and emailed permit requests. We aim to have these permits issued within 24 hours; however, with the increase of permits and low staffing levels it is currently taking a little longer.

We anticipate being back at our normal operating levels within the next month and a half, but we wanted to let you all know so you can plan your business submissions accordingly.

Also a quick recap of Friday's *e-Connection*, plans submitted for review today and after will need to be certified to the new [5<sup>th</sup> Edition \(2014\) Florida Building Code](#).

Thank you for your understanding in this matter and please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

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In response to an email sent out this morning from the Florida Building Codes and Standards Office, please be advised the effective date of the following three Florida Building Code provisions **will not** take effect until [June 30, 2016](#):

- (a) Mandatory **blower door testing** for residential buildings or dwelling units as contained in Section R402.4.1.2 of the Florida Building Code, 5th Edition (2014) Energy Conservation Volume;
- (b) A **second fire service access elevator** as contained in Section 403.6.1 of the Florida Building Code, 5th Edition (2014) Building Volume; and
- (c) **Mechanical ventilation** for residential buildings or dwelling units as contained in Section R303.4 of the Florida Building Code, 5th Edition (2014) Residential Volume.

To view the entire senate bill, please click [here](#).