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Mark Personius, AICP
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Memorandum

FROM: Mark Personius, Director

DATE: 02/23/2023

RE: Permit and Land Use Review and Processing Timelines

PDS is committed to the timely review and issuance of land use and building permits. However, our department currently has multiple open staff positions we are actively trying to fill. These vacancies span almost every division within the department and as a result may cause disruptions or delays in our ability to process and review land use and building applications in a timely manner. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause our customers. We have operational continuity plans and are working to shift duties to maintain the highest level of service possible at this time.

If you have questions regarding a specific permit or land use application, please email the Project Planner for an update on status. You can reach them using our [Staff Directory](#) or by emailing pds@whatcomcounty.us. You can also call our main phone line at 360-778-5900.

Thank you for your sensitivity and cooperation. We will continue to monitor developments and adjust our available staff resources where necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "M Personius", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Mark Personius, Director