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MEMORANDUM

TO: Coastal Resources Commission

FROM: Robb Mairs

SUBJECT: Cape Carteret Local Permit Program

The Coastal Area Management Act authorizes local governments to adopt a Local Implementation and Enforcement Plan to act as the permitting letting authority to issue minor development permits in their jurisdiction. To do this, the local government must develop a plan and submit it to the Coastal Resources Commission for approval. Additionally, the local government must adopt ordinances to put the plan into effect.

The Town of Cape Carteret had a Local Implementation and Enforcement Plan and operated a local permit program until the fall of 2015 when the Town requested Carteret County to undertake the minor permit permitting due to staff shortage. As of summer of 2024, and due to staff shortage, Carteret County was no longer able to continue the minor permitting for the Town and requested the Division to undertake the minor permitting for the Town. Since that time, the Town has re-considered and wishes to again implement minor permitting in their jurisdiction. The Town has prepared an ordinance for the implementation of the plan and the ordinance was adopted at their September 9, 2024 meeting.

I look forward to presenting this information to you for your consideration at your upcoming meeting.

