

## Staff Report

## Public Hearing

**Subject:** Ordinance Revision

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**Department:** Development Services

**Meeting Date:** June 11, 2024

**Item Description:** Consideration to approve the amendment of the Code of Ordinances **Part II – Official Code: Appendix C – Zoning Ordinance, Section 3.17 - Excavation, Mining, Ponds, and Fills of land and/or State/Federal Jurisdictional Waters or Wetlands and 3.17A - Ponds—Construction** of the Effingham County Code of Ordinances.

### Summary Recommendation

The County needs Amendments to the current Ponds Ordinance. The County Planning Staff have suggested some clarification amendments and some setback amendments to the ordinance.

### Executive Summary/Background

Recommended Clarifications:

- Clarifying when projects must be reviewed by Planning Board and Board of Commissioners or only by County Staff.

Recommended Changes:

- There must be a 50ft setback from any dwelling, church, school or highway right of way.
- Buffers must adhere to the Buffer Ordinance.

### Alternatives

1. **Approve** an **amendment** to the Code of Ordinances **Section 3.17 & 3.17A**
2. **Deny** an **amendment** to the Code of Ordinances **Section 3.17 & 3.17A.**

**Recommended Alternative: 1**

**Other Alternatives: 2**

**Department Review:** **FUNDING: N/A**

**Attachments:** 1. Section 3.17 - Excavation, Mining, Ponds, and Fills of land and/or State/Federal Jurisdictional Waters or Wetlands and 3.17A - Ponds—Construction Red Line Version