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REMINDER ABOUT BUILDING PERMITS FOR STORM DAMAGE

Now that winter storms are here, we all know we need to check our cars windshield wipers and tires, clean our gutters and make sure we have a working flashlight. But do you know that if your house or other structure is damaged by high winds or flood waters that you may be required to get a permit prior to doing the repairs?

It's true. Although some minor repairs do not require a review of building plans, a permit is still required. Permits are required for most repair work including:

- Replacing roof materials
- Electrical service panels
- Structural repairs (i.e. replacing rafters or wall studs)

If your home or other structure is damaged and located in the unincorporated area of the county, please contact our office at 538-7601 or 538-6861. We will be able to provide you with information about what you will need to do to get your repairs completed. Minor repair permits can be issued over the counter and some can be done online (reroofing, electric service panels, etc.).

You can find additional information on our website, www.buttecounty.net\dds, about permit requirements and processes.

Please remember that during inclement weather you should listen to the radio or watch television to obtain information about the latest forecast and instructions from local officials, use telephones only for emergency calls, avoid driving if possible and cooperate with emergency officials.

It is also suggested that you replenish or assemble an emergency supply kit and review or develop a family emergency plan. More information about what you should do to prepare for emergencies is available from the California Emergency Management Agency (Cal E.M.A.) www.calema.ca.gov.