

LOCAL TECHNICAL AMENDMENT

FLORIDA BUILDING CODE 2007 - BUILDING

AMEND EXISTING SECTION

1609.3 Determination of Wind Speeds

1609.3 Basic wind speed. The basic wind speed in miles per hour, for the development of wind loads, shall be determined from Figure 1609. The exact location of wind speed lines shall be established by local ordinance using recognized physical landmarks such as major roads, canals, rivers and lake shores, wherever possible. Pinellas County properties seaward of the Intercoastal Waterway, including Tierra Verde and Ft. Desoto or any other areas seaward are defined at the 130 mph/3 second gust and properties landward of the Intercoastal Waterway are defined at 123 mph/3 second gust.

Local Conditions and Need: This amendment redefines Pinellas County's established basic wind speed designations.

Fiscal Impact Statement: There is no change to Pinellas County's wind speeds, therefore no cost impact associated with this amendment.

Effective Date: Effective date of Florida Building Code 2007 - Building.

This amendment if implemented would not discriminate against materials, products, or construction techniques of demonstrated capabilities.