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Reed Family Home

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Carol,

Thanks for your help with the Ag Fill permit. We are making progress in the pastures and take delivery of our next 100 chickens on May 18th.

We want your advice on how we should proceed with our house permit on the farm. We currently have a building permit at the City of Portland on "Admin Hold" because the entitlement from the County has expired. This caught us by surprise because the County issued us our grading permit (Feb 2018) then we gave the County notice and started construction work in May 2018. Also in May 2018 we hire Nichols Excavating to build our foundation. By June 2018 the foundation contractor had a surveyor lay out the foundation and they excavated the basement and the footings for the foundation. We thought we had met the threshold for commencement of work and no further approvals were needed from the County.

The building plans were submitted to the City in March 2018 and the City review took two years and about \$10k in City fees. We have our City approvals for the building permit. For over five years we have been actively trying to work our plans through the County and the City. But the County took almost three years to approve and the City took 2 years.

Now we have a huge hole in the ground and four kids growing up in a rented house as we try and build our family home on the farm. I would really appreciate your help figuring out a path forward on the construction of our home. We only have four more years of our daughter living at home, she is a freshman in the fall.

Below is a timeline for reference.

April 2013 – First meeting with County to discuss building house on farm

June 2014 - Close on farm purchase

September 2015 – Settlement with County for entitlement to build home (T2-2014-3377)

February 2018 – County approves plans and grading permit

March 2018 - Submit plans to City for building permit

May 2018 - Give County notice of construction start/Post permit on-site/Hire foundation contractor/Foundation contractor starts work

March 2020 - City approves plans for building permit but does not issue permit ("Admin Hold")/Start of Covid closures

Any advice would be much appreciated.

Thanks,

Scott & Stacy Reed