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County Assessor To Reduce Business Hours for 2012-13 Fiscal Year

Public business hours for the Columbia County Assessor's Office are reduced, effective Monday, July 2, 2012.

The decision to reduce hours was made by the County Assessor and is due to continued budget shortfalls that have resulted in 26-furlough days in addition to staff reductions at the Assessor's department. The reduced hours will allow remaining staff the uninterrupted time to complete duties necessary to stay in compliance with state mandates.

Columbia County Assessor's Office Public Business Hours:

All Public Services Except Manufactured Structure Changes:

July 2, 2012 thru October 11, 2012 and November 19 through June 27, 2013
Monday through Thursday, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, or by appointment

October 15, 2012 through November 15, 2012 (Tax Season)
Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Manufactured Structure Ownership/Situs Changes and Trip Permits:

These services will no longer be available for immediate processing. Requests for Manufactured Structure Changes will be processed within one week of receiving completed application and fee.

Self-Service Computer Workstations

Two workstations will be available for self-service use by the public. These computers are located at the front counter of the Assessor's Office on Monday thru Thursday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

Online Services Available at www.co.columbia.or.us

The Assessor's Office website includes current property records, as well as forms, applications and general information for most programs maintained by the Assessor's Office.

Thank you for your patience during this period of staffing shortages.