Fountain County



Farmland Coverage

83.70% land in farms

Population Density

41.6 per sq. mi.

Housing Unit Density

19.6 per sq. mi.

Population (2020)

16,479 ↔

County Type

Rural

PCPI (2019)

\$41,412

COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM STANDARDS

Use standards for CWECSs beyond zoning district's standards unless otherwise specified.

ZONING DISTRICT	PERMITTED USE / SPECIAL EXCEPTION
Agriculture Business Industrial	Permitted Use Permitted Use Permitted Use
REZONE REQ: NO ADDITIONAL PROCESSES: NO	NE

SETBACKS & BUFFERS

Setback	30' from property line 100' from center of ROW
Municipal Buffer	None
Use Buffer	200' from residential zone
Reciprocal Buffer (CM)	None

OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL STANDARDS

Minimum Lot Size	None
Maximum Height	20'
Noise Limit	None
Ground Cover Standards	None
Color Standards	None
Signage/Warnings Standards	None
Fencing Standards	Yes
Landscaping/Screening Standards	None
Glare Standards	None
Other Standards	None

DEFINITION

Any ground-mounted solar that generates electricy for off-site use

PLANS & STUDIES REQUIRED

* Upon request		
Decommission Plan		
Economic Development Agreement		
Maintenance Plan		
☐ Transportation/Road Use Plan		
☐ Vegetation/Landscape Plan		
☐ Environmental Assessment		
☐ Emergency/Fire Safety Plan		
☐ Drainage/Erosion Control Plan		
Liability Insurance		
Property Value Guarantee		
Certificate of Design Compliance		
Other plans or studies		

COMMERCIAL WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEM STANDARDS

ZONING DISTRICT	PERMITTED USE / SPECIAL EXCEPTION
Industrial	Special Exception
REZONE REQ: NONE ADDITIONAL PROCESSES:	NONE

DEFINITION

Any WECS that generate more than 10kw or exceeds 120' in height.

SETBACKS & BUFFERS

Setback 2,640-3,200' set by BZA	Setback
Municipal Buffer 5,280'	Municipal Buffer
Use Buffer 5,280' from school Additional buffers set by BZA	Use Buffer
Reciprocal Buffer None	Reciprocal Buffer

PLANS & STUDIES REQUIRED

* Upon request
Decommission Plan
Economic Development Agreement
Maintenance Plan
Vegetation/Landscape Plan
Environmental Assessment
Sound Study
Emergency/Fire Safety Plan
Drainage/Erosion Control Plan
∠ Liability Insurance
Property Value Guarantee
Certificate of Design Compliance
Certification by Engineer
Other plans or studies

OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL STANDARDS

Maximum Height	600 ft
Minimum Blade Clearance	50' or 1/3 of tower height
Maximum Noise Level	32 dBA
Shadow Flicker	No shadow flicker on non-participating residential property
Braking System Standards	None
Color Standards	Yes
Warnings/Hazard Protection Standards	Yes
Fence/Climb Prevention Standards	Yes
Lighting Standards	Yes
Interference	Yes
Other Standards	No vibrations beyond property Monopole, monotube or lattice design

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Extension