

Hancock County



Farmland Coverage
86.60% land in farms

Population Density
261 per sq. mi.

Housing Unit Density
105 per sq. mi.

Population (2020)
79,840 ↑

County Type
Rural/Mixed

PCPI (2019)
\$52,134

COMMERCIAL WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEM STANDARDS

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

ZONING DISTRICT	PERMITTED USE / SPECIAL EXCEPTION
Agricultural All Industrial Districts	Special Exception Special Exception
REZONE REQ: NO ADDITIONAL PROCESSES: NONE	

DEFINITION

A system primarily designed to generate energy for distribution and resale to a utility

SETBACKS & BUFFERS

Setback	1.1x tower height, but no less than 350' from ROW or easements
Municipal Buffer	1,500'
Use Buffer	1,000' from residence 750' public conservation land
Reciprocal Buffer	Yes

OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL STANDARDS

Maximum Height	None
Minimum Blade Clearance	25'
Maximum Noise Level	10 dBA above ambient baseline
Shadow Flicker	None
Braking System Standards	Yes
Color Standards	Yes
Warnings/Hazard Protection Standards	Yes
Fence/Climb Prevention Standards	Yes
Lighting Standards	Yes
Interference	Yes
Other Standards	Visual uniformity

PLANS & STUDIES REQUIRED

* Upon request

- Decommission Plan
- Economic Development Agreement
- Maintenance Plan
- Transportation/Road Use 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

COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM STANDARDS

This county has no additional standards for commercial solar energy systems.

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