

LaPorte County



Farmland Coverage
65.00% land in farms

Population Density
187.9 per sq. mi.

Housing Unit Density
83.2 per sq. mi.

Population (2020)
112,417 ↔

County Type
Urban

PCPI (2019)
\$43,910

COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM STANDARDS

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

ZONING DISTRICT	PERMITTED USE / SPECIAL EXCEPTION
Agricultural	Special Exception
Residential	Special Exception
Residential 2	Special Exception
Office Service	Special Exception
Business	Special Exception
Commercial	Special Exception
Industrial	Permitted Use

REZONE REQ: NO ADDITIONAL PROCESSES: NONE

DEFINITION

Ground-mounted and occupies more than 40,000 sq ft

SETBACKS & BUFFERS

Setback	None
Municipal Buffer	None
Use Buffer	None
Reciprocal Buffer (CM)	None

OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL STANDARDS

Minimum Lot Size	None
Maximum Height	22'
Noise Limit	None
Ground Cover Standards	Yes
Color Standards	None
Signage/Warnings Standards	None
Fencing Standards	None
Landscaping/Screening Standards	Yes
Glare Standards	None
Other Standards	None

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

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

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

DEFINITION

Any WECS larger than small WECS (>45 ft)

SETBACKS & BUFFERS

Setback	1.5x tower height
Municipal Buffer	None
Use Buffer	1,000' from residential subdivision and schools
Reciprocal Buffer	Yes

OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL STANDARDS

Maximum Height	200'
Minimum Blade Clearance	20'
Maximum Noise Level	50 dBA
Shadow Flicker	Analysis and mitigation
Braking System Standards	Yes
Color Standards	Yes
Warnings/Hazard Protection Standards	Yes
Fence/Climb Prevention Standards	Yes
Lighting Standards	Yes
Interference	None
Other Standards	Tubular tower

PLANS & STUDIES REQUIRED

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- 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

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