

Franklin County



Farmland Coverage
54.10% land in farms

Population Density
59.3 per sq. mi.

Housing Unit Density
25.1 per sq. mi.

Population (2020)
22,785 ↔

County Type
Rural

PCPI (2019)
\$47,664

COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM STANDARDS

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

ZONING DISTRICT	PERMITTED USE / SPECIAL EXCEPTION
Agricultural-Alternative Energy Systems Open Industrial Enclosed Industrial	Special Exception Special Exception Special Exception
REZONE REQ: YES ADDITIONAL PROCESSES: DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW	

DEFINITION

Primarily for off-site utility grid use

SETBACKS & BUFFERS

Setback	100' from property line 140' center of ROW
Municipal Buffer	None
Use Buffer	650' feet from non-participating residence 250' from cemetery
Reciprocal Buffer (CM)	Yes

OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL STANDARDS

Minimum Lot Size	5 acres
Maximum Height	20'
Noise Limit	50 dBA
Ground Cover Standards	Yes
Color Standards	None
Signage/Warnings Standards	Yes
Fencing Standards	Yes
Landscaping/Screening Standards	Yes
Glare Standards	Yes
Other Standards	Sine wave deviations

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
 - Pollution liability insurance

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-Alternative Energy Systems Open Industrial Enclosed Industrial	Special Exception Special Exception
REZONE REQ: YES ADDITIONAL PROCESSES: DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW	

DEFINITION

Converts electricity primarily for off-site utility grid use

SETBACKS & BUFFERS

Setback	2,640'
Municipal Buffer	None
Use Buffer	250' from cemetery
Reciprocal Buffer	Yes

OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL STANDARDS

Maximum Height	200 ft
Minimum Blade Clearance	25'
Maximum Noise Level	50 dBA
Shadow Flicker	No shadow flicker on non-participating residence
Braking System Standards	None
Color Standards	Yes
Warnings/Hazard Protection Standards	Yes
Fence/Climb Prevention Standards	Yes
Lighting Standards	None
Interference	None
Other Standards	Sine wave deviations

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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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