



Commercial Solar & Wind Energy Ready Communities Development Center

The Commercial Solar and Wind Energy Ready Communities Development Center is housed within the Indiana Office of Energy Development. The Center provides information regarding wind and solar energy development, as well as administers a certification program for communities to be designated as a Commercial Solar Energy Ready Community, a Wind Energy Ready Community, or both.

Once a community is certified, it is eligible to receive incentive funds from OED as authorized by IC 4-3-23.1, should incentive funds be available and have sufficient balance. Incentive funds may be granted for a period of 10 years at \$1 per megawatt hour of electricity generated.

Project Standards



Solar

- Setback, height, buffer requirements
- Ground cover
- Fencing
- Glare minimization
- Signal interference
- Sound limitations
- Damage to drainage infrastructure
- Decommissioning and restoration plan
- Abandonment
- Force majeure event



Wind

- Setback, height, buffer requirements
- Shadow flicker limitations
- Signal interference
- Sound level limitations
- Light mitigation technology
- Damage to drainage infrastructure
- Decommissioning and site restoration plan

Procedural Standards

- Provides a clear and transparent process to identify potential sites
- Does not unreasonably eliminate portions of the unit for projects
- Provide a fair review and approval process for projects, including final approval that cannot be revoked
- Includes a specific plan for using any incentive funds granted by IOED

Application For Energy Ready Certification



Applicant Information



Project

Identify alignment with standards



Process Standards

Four statutory requirements



Commitments & Affirmations



Copy of Local Wind/Solar Standards

Regulations, Contract, or Economic development agreement



Supporting Documents

Maps, letters of support, copy of ordinances, etc.

Scan the code to see more info on Energy Ready Communities. For Assistance reach out to OED at EnergyReady@oed.in.gov

