

GRANT COUNTY
CONSERVATION SANITATION AND ZONING DEPT
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Conservation, Sanitation & Zoning Committee Agenda

THE GRANT COUNTY CONSERVATION, SANITATION AND ZONING COMMITTEE will call the meeting to order on Thursday, April 2, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Grant County Board Room #264 in the Administration Building. Please use the following procedures to access the meeting remotely. Log into this site:

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Consideration will be given and/or action taken on any or all of the following agenda items:

1. Call to Order
2. Open Meeting Law
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of March 3, 2026, Minutes
6. Review and Accept Bills
7. NRCS Report - Mike Adams
8. FSA Report -Emily Schildgen
9. Zoning/Sanitation Report
10. Discussion and Possible Action – Public Hearing for Rezones.
 - #RZ26-02, Kruser Construction LLC, applicant and landowner, to rezone 0.6 acres, more or less, from (R1) Residential 1 to (R3) Residential 3 in the Town of Jamestown. PIN:026-00109-0000
 - #RZ26-03, Andy Kruser applicant and landowner, to rezone 0.3 acres, more or less, from (A2) Agricultural 2 to (R3) Residential 3 in the Town of Jamestown. PIN:026-00769-0000
 - #RZ26-04, Brett & Darion Morovits, applicant and landowner, to rezone 1.0 more or less, from (FP) Farmland Preservation to (A2) Agriculture 2 in the Town of Mt. Hope. PIN:038-00412-0010
11. Discussion and Possible Action – Public Hearing for Conditional Use Permits.
 - #CUP26-003, Kenneth & Joanne Kunkel applicants and landowners, for a conditional use permit for 39.30 acres, more or less of PIN:026-00677-0000 & 026-00657-0000 in the Town of Jamestown.
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12. Discussion and Possible Action – Public Hearing for an Ordinance Adoption - Petition#26-02 request to establish a zoning ordinance for the regulation of Large Solar Energy Generating Facilities.
13. Discussion and Possible Action – Public Hearing for an Ordinance Adoption – Petition#26-03 request to establish a zoning ordinance for the regulation of Small Solar Energy Generating Facilities.
14. Sarah Bremmer, Geoscientist – UW Madison-Protecting Groundwater by Investigating an Aquitard in Grant
15. NR-151 Progress & Resource Analysis Sample sites
16. SWRM Grant Application Approval
17. County Cost Sharing – Brady Bartels
18. SWRM Cost Sharing – Brady Bartels
19. FPP Report – Brady Bartels
20. Storage Permit Approval
21. CSZD Report – Keith Lane
22. Set Date for Next Meeting
23. Adjourn

PUBLIC HEARING ORDER

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| a. Open Hearing | d. Public Statement in Favor | h. Committee Discussion |
| b. Zoning Office Statement | e. Public Statement in Opposition | i. Close Hearing |
| c. Applicant’s Statement | f. Public Statement in Interest | j. Recommendation to County Board |
| | g. Applicant’s Rebuttal | |

COMMITTEE MEETING

March 3, 2026

9:00 a.m.

Room #264, Grant County Board Room, Administration Building
Lancaster, Wisconsin

The Grant County Conservation, Sanitation & Zoning Committee meeting was called to order on March 3, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. by Joe Mumm, the Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning Committee Chairman in Room #264, County Board Room of the Administration Building.

Board members present in the County Board room #264: Joe Mumm, Roger Lange. Pat Schroeder, Larry Jerrett. Gary Northouse, Excused. Brian Lucey on Zoom. Others present in the County Board room; Annette Lolwing, Keith Lane, Brady Bartels, Adam Reed, Shane Drinkwater, Robert Keeney, Nate Dreckman, Shane Drinkwater, Steve Morgan, John Rutkowski, and Keith Keuter. Those on Zoom: Tonya White, Keith Lane, Shane Drinkwater, Troy Maggied, Gary VanNatta, Jim Bergles, Mike Adams, Emily Schildgen, Pete Moris, Robert Keeney, Gail Winkers, Grant County Herald Independent, Christy, and Grant County Board Room.

Certification of Open Meeting Law

Annette Lolwing sent the agenda to the County Clerk's office to post in the Administration Building, Courthouse, and on the County website. An agenda was also posted in front of the Ag Service Center Building. An agenda was also sent to Bob Middendorf, WGLR. Media notices were sent to the County Clerk's office and the Grant County Herald Independent, and Bob Middendorf.

Approval of Agenda March 3, 2026, Agenda

Motion by Pat Schroeder, seconded by Larry Jerrett to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of February 5, 2026, Minutes

Motion by Roger Lange, seconded by Larry Jerrett to approve February 5, 2026, minutes. Motion carried.

Review & Accept the February Bills

Motion by Pat Schroeder, seconded by Roger Lange, to accept the February bills. Motion carried.

NRCS Report – Mike Adams

Mike mentioned that they are still working on EQIP rankings. Deadline is March 18th which gives all the applications a score and a dollar amount asking for incentive payments for the conservation practices that are being applied for. Regenerative pilot program which runs through the normal EQIP and CSP programs. This focuses on soil health testing. They are receiving several burn plan requests to burn their CRP acres.

FSA Report – Emily Schildgen

Emily mentioned that they opened the Continuous CRP Signup for 2026 on February 13, 2026. The continuous CRP sign up has an acreage cap. The first CRP batching for continuous will be March 20th. General CRP Signup will open on March 9th and will close on April 17th. Rental rates dropped quite a bit last year. Rental rates this year are similar to last year. CRP Management workshop scheduled with Pheasants Forever will be held on March 18th at the Schreiner Memorial Library.

FSA has the Farmers Bridge Assistance (FSA) opened on Monday, February 23rd and will close on April 17th. These payments are based on the 2025 planted acres.

Emily also mentioned the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC)/Price Loss Coverage (PLC) have had some changes to the programs.

There was a Dairy Margin Coverage Program sign up that ended February 26th. There was a margin for January 2026 already.

Zoning/Sanitation Report

Keith presented the Zoning/Sanitation report.

Sanitation permits: For the month of February 1, 2025, through February 28, 2025, there were 5 sanitary permits issued. Year to date 2025, there were 9 permits issued. For the month of February 1, 2026, through February 28, 2026, there were 11 sanitary permits issued. Year to date for 2026 were 15 sanitary permits issued.

Zoning permits: For the month of February 1, 2025, through February 28, 2025, there were 5 zoning permits issued. Year to date in 2025 there were 9 zoning permits issued. For the month of February 1, 2026, through February 28, 2026, there were 11 zoning permits issued. Year to date for 2026 there were 13 zoning permits issued.

Also in the packet was the DSPS letter that came in from the POWTS 3-year audit.

Public Hearing for Conditional Use Permits

Chairman Mumm opened the Public Hearing

#CUP26-002 Rutkowski Brothers Land LLC, Ellenboro Twp., are requesting a Conditional Use Permit on PIN:014-00759-0010 +/- 27.66 ac. to allow for the continual use of nonmetallic mining under section 3.14 (2) (a) of the Grant County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.

In Favor: Ellenboro Twp. approved on February 4, 2026.

In Opposition: None

In Interest: No conditions were placed by the Township on this parcel.

Applicant Rebuttal: None

Committee Discussion: None

Chairman Mumm closed the Public Hearing

Motion by Pat Schroeder to recommend approval of the Conditional Use Permit, seconded by Roger Lange.

Motion carried. See Attachment A Worksheet.

Public Hearing for Ordinance Adoption

Petition #26-02 Ordinance Adoption request to establish a zoning ordinance for the regulation of Large Solar Energy Generating Facilities. No wording has been changed. Public Notice has been published for 2 weeks. If approved by this committee it then goes on to full County Board for approval. Motion by Pat Schroeder, seconded by Roger Lange to approve this to go on to the full County Board. Roll Call: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Excused, Citizen member not able to vote. Motion carried.

Petition #26-03 Ordinance Adoption request to establish a zoning ordinance for the regulation of Small Solar Energy Generating Facilities. No wording has been changed. Public Notice has been published for 2 weeks. If approved by this committee it then goes on to full County Board for approval. Roll Call; 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Excused, Citizen member not able to vote. Motion carried.

County Cost Sharing: Beginning Balance \$46,662.50 / Ending Balance \$46,662.50

None to Report

2025 DATCP Cost-Sharing Requests:

None to Report

2026 DATCP Cost-Sharing Requests: Beginning Balance \$72,000.00 / Ending Balance \$72,000.00

Brady presented a tentative approval request for 2026 DATCP cost sharing for a grassed waterway project for Karen Yelinek, Clifton Twp., \$2,800.00. Motion by Roger Lange, seconded by Larry Jerrett to approve Yelinek's request. Motion carried.

Brady presented a tentative approval request for 2026 DATCP cost sharing for a stream crossing and access road for Mark and Renee Vosberg, Hazel Green, Twp., \$7,876.60. Motion by Pat Schroeder, seconded by Brian Lucey to approve Vosberg's request. Motion carried.

Brady presented a tentative approval request for 2026 DATCP cost sharing for a stream crossing for Travis & Ashley Mumm, Clifton Twp., \$5,889.80. Motion by Roger Lange, seconded by Larry Jerrett to approve Mumm's request. Motion carried.

FPP Report – Brady Bartels

Steve has been working through the FPP master list and getting the 2026 spot checks ready. Letters to landowners will be going out in the mail soon stating that this year is their spot check.

Storage Permit Approval – Brady Bartels

Nothing to report.

MDV Priority List

Keith mentioned that Grant County has received \$108,000.00 MDV funding so far. This will be used in the HUC 8 area which is from Hwy 18 to Hwy 151. These funds can be used for any conservation practice. Assembled a listing of water bodies in Grant County and what impacts those waters. Will be concentrating on water bodies that have an excessive phosphorus load.

CSZD Report

Conservation: March 2026 overview...

Keith went through a few of the highlights from the March overview notes that were handed out.

1. Keith mentioned that the tree sale is closed. We had 122 tree orders, selling 9,850 trees/shrubs.
2. A second order of 1,000 tree tubes have been ordered.
3. Trees will be available to pick up on Friday, May 1st from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
4. There was a NMP procedures/writers meeting with DATCP facilitated by our office on February 9th.
5. Brady and Keith attended a DATCP sponsored Soil Engineer training in Richland Center.
6. Taylor and Brady are still working on the construction plan for the County Farm Project.
7. The Land and Water Conference is March 4-6th at the Chula Vista in Wisconsin Dells.

Zoning:

1. Keith reported that Adam has completed 11, 2023 post construction inspections and 23, 2024 post construction inspections and 2 pre-construction/3post construction 2025 inspections.
2. Lucas will be out in the field doing his own inspections and Adam doing his own pre & post inspections.

Sanitation:

1. Keith reported that there were 2 tank installations in January.
2. DSPS completed their audit on February 13th.
3. In 2024, there are 7 permits open with two set to expire in the next two months. Two permits have been renewed for another 2 years.
4. In 2025, there were a total of 40 permits left open.
5. In 2026, we're up to 10 permits. There are 7 permits left from last year that are waiting on money or proper paperwork to be submitted.
6. Continue with field reviews to close outstanding permits where possible.

7. The Plumbers and Pumpers newsletter is ready to go out, and maintenance forms will be mailed later this month.
8. In the packet there is a document that explains how we would like to match the sanitation permit time duration to the same time duration of the zoning permit.

The next meeting date will be April 2, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

Motion by Larry Jerrett, seconded by Roger Lange to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Annette Lolwing

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSION

1. The CSZC (hereinafter referred to as the agency) has the authority pursuant to the Grant County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Ch. 315 Subsection 3.27 (5) to issue or deny conditional use permits. Prior to granting or denying a conditional use, the agency shall make a findings of fact based on evidence presented, issue a determination whether the standards of the ordinance are met, and require additional conditions, as needed. Based upon the above findings and information provided at the public hearing, the CSZD finds that the conditional use does or does not meet the following criteria:

2. The agency under Ch. 315 Subsection 3.27 (5) (c) shall consider the following criteria:
 - (1) That the establishment, maintenance, or operation of the conditional use will not be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety, morals, comfort, or general welfare;
 - (2) That the conditional use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted, nor substantially diminish and impair property values within the neighborhood;
 - (3) That the establishment of the conditional use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of the surrounding property for uses permitted in the district;
 - (4) That adequate utilities, access roads, drainage and/or necessary facilities have been or are being provided;
 - (5) That adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide ingress and egress so designed as to minimize traffic congestion in the public streets;
 - (6) That adequate prevention and control of water pollution including sedimentation are being provided;
 - (7) That adequate measures will be taken to sustain existing topographic and drainage features and vegetation cover on the site;
 - (8) That adequate location of the site with respect to flood plains and floodways of bodies of water;
 - (9) That adequate consideration of erosion potential of the site based upon degree and direction of slope, soil type and vegetation cover;
 - (10) That location factors are considered which address:
 - (a) Domestic uses shall be generally preferred;
 - (b) Uses not inherently a source of pollution within an area shall be preferred over uses that are or may be a pollution source; and
 - (c) Use locations within an area tending to minimize the possibility of pollution shall be preferred over use locations tending to increase the possibility.
 - (11) That the conditional use shall, in all other respects, conform to the applicable regulations of the district in which it is located, except as such regulations may, in each instance, be modified by the Conservation, Sanitation & Zoning Committee; and
 - (12) In the case of nonmetallic mining, the Conservation, Sanitation, & Zoning Committee shall also consider any reclamation plan submitted for the property and the reclamation plan's provisions for maintaining lateral support and for depth of the quarry pursuant to the standards set forth in Wisconsin Administration code Chapter NR 136.

BEFORE GRANT COUNTY
CONSERVATION, SANITATION AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
FOR RUTKOWSKI BROTHERS LAND LLC
7671 BUNKER HILL RD, PLATTEVILLE, WI 53818

FINDINGS OF FACT

The agency finds that:

1. Rutkowski Brothers Land LLC owns property located within the NE ¼ and the SE ¼ of the NE ¼, of Section 35, Township 4 North, Range 2 West, Ellenboro Township, Grant County, WI. Such property consists of tax parcel number PIN:014-00759-0010.
2. On December 18th, 2025, the CSZD office communicated with John Rutkowski about the active CUP expiring on 3/4/26.
3. On February 4th, 2026, the Ellenboro Township Town Board approved the request for the conditional use permit, 3 voting in-favor, 0 opposed. There were no conditions placed on the permit by the Town Board.
4. On February 6th, 2026, the CSZD office received the completed application.
5. On March 3rd, 2026, the CSZC reviewed the CUP request through a public hearing and determined the findings of fact to **approve** or **deny** the CUP application.

FSA Notes – April CSZD Meeting

Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) – Reminder that General CRP Signup 66 opened on March 9. The deadline to submit an offer for General CRP is April 17, 2026. General CRP offers are competitive and based on points. Once signup closes, a national office ranking of offers will take place to determine which offers are accepted into the program. Any accepted offers would begin October 1, 2026.

The first batching for Continuous Signup offers closed on March 20, 2026. We do not know when we will get the batching results back for those offers. The office can still take Continuous Signup offers, but we do not know if there will be subsequent batching periods or not.

The CRP Management Workshop we had on March 18 led by Britta Peterson, Farm Bill Biologist with Pheasant Forever, had a great turnout! We had 55 participants present. Britta and I are already talking about doing it again next year.

Farmers Bridge Assistance (FBA) – Signup deadline is April 17, 2026. This program was created to help offset the impact tariffs had on 2025 crops. Payments are based on 2025 planted acres as reported on FSA crop reports. The office had almost 30% of eligible producers sign up within the first 3 days the program was open, but signup has significantly slowed down since then. The office has begun calling producers who have yet to sign up to ensure they know about the program due to the short signup window and we have a list of all producers who had eligible crops planted in 2025.

Supplemental Disaster Relief Assistance Program (SDRP) – Signup deadline is April 30, 2026 for both Stage 1 and Stage 2. Stage 1 opened in summer 2025 and was for producers who received a crop insurance indemnity in 2023, 2024, or 2025 due to a crop loss in whole or in part as a result of a qualifying disaster event in calendar year 2023 or 2024. Stage 2 opened in fall 2025 and is for producers who do not have crop insurance or had a shallow loss with crop insurance that did not trigger an indemnity. Stage 2 still requires the producer to have experienced a crop loss in whole or in part due to a qualifying disaster event in calendar year 2023 or 2024 to be eligible for a potential payment. Payments are not guaranteed. Producers can reach out to the office with more specific questions regarding either stage of this program.

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



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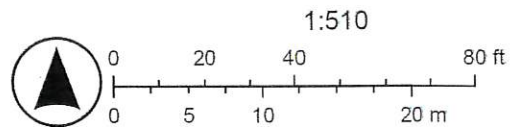
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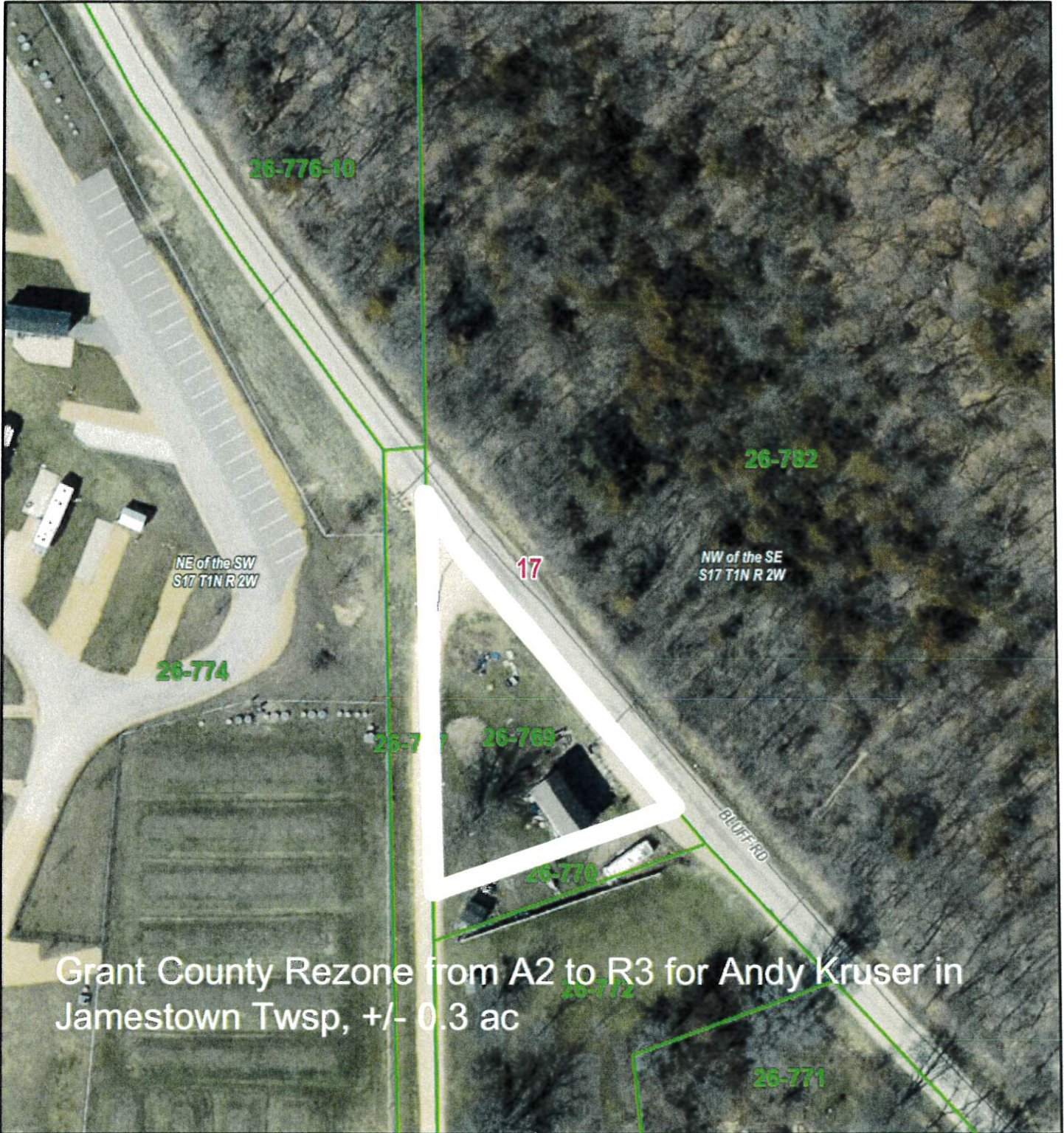
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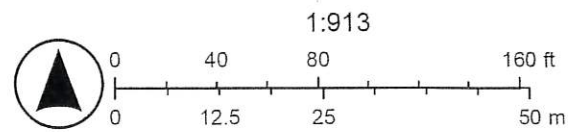
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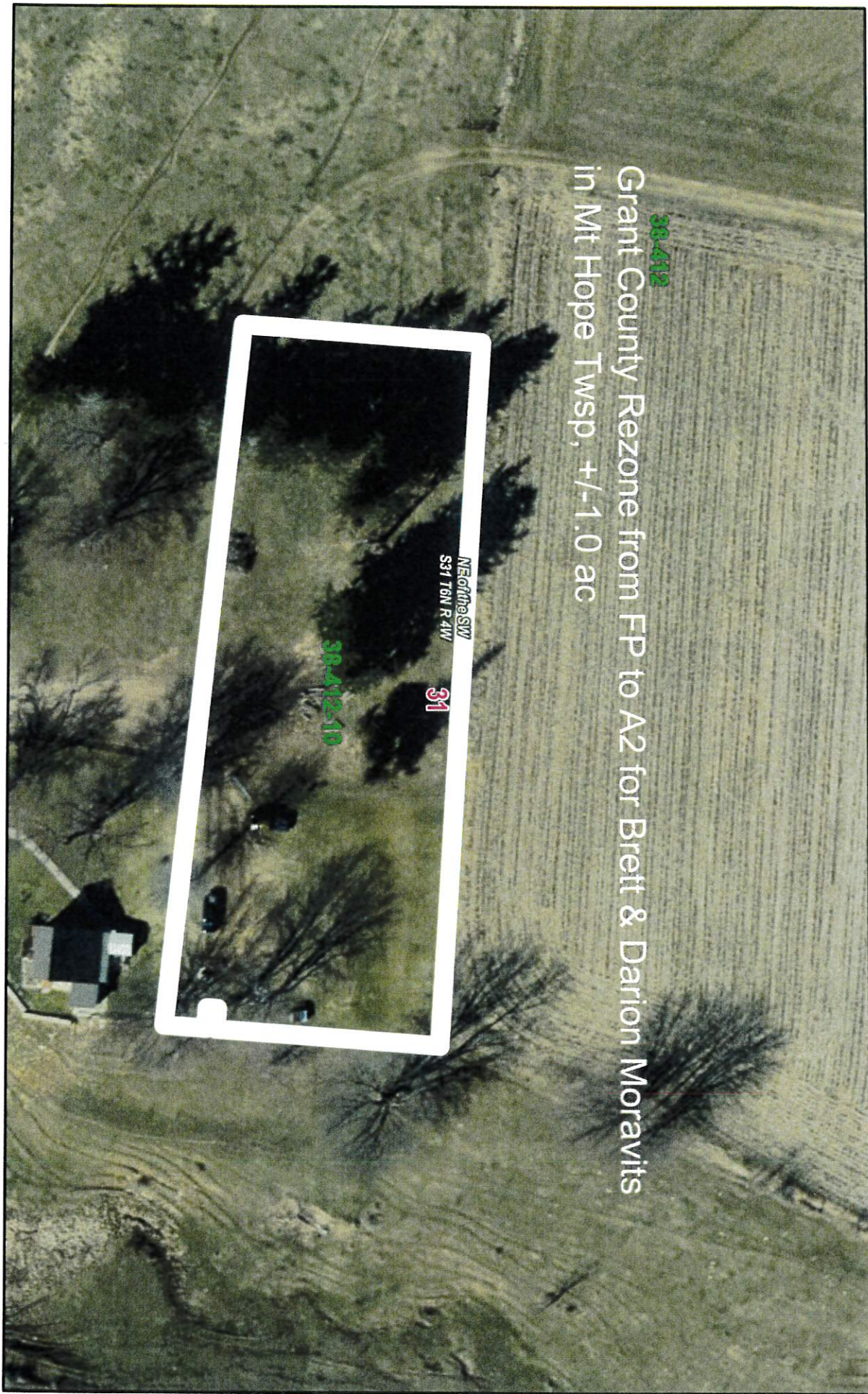
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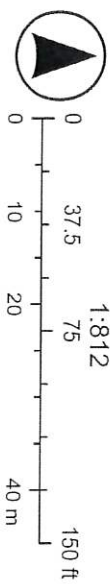
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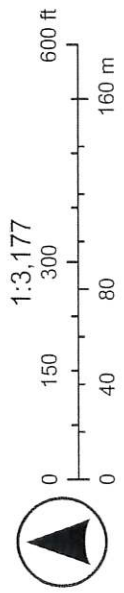
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Grant County CUP for Kenneth & Joanne Kunkel in Jamestown Twsp, +/- 39.3 ac

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BEFORE GRANT COUNTY
CONSERVATION, SANITATION AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
FOR KENNETH & JOANNE KUNKEL
LOCATED ON KAISER LANE IN JAMESTOWN TOWNSHIP

FINDINGS OF FACT

The agency finds that:

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2. On December 18th, 2025, the CSZD office communicated with Ben Schroeder, BARD Materials, about the active CUP expiring on 2/4/26.
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FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSION

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE CHAPTER ___ ENTITLED "LARGE SOLAR ENERGY GENERATING FACILITY" OF THE GRANT COUNTY CODE.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of Grant County, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

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This ordinance applies to all lands within the boundaries of the county lying outside the limits of incorporated cities and villages.

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(b) Wis Stat. 66.06401 is adopted and incorporated by reference.

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(i) "Large Solar Energy Generating Facility" means but is not limited to: connected arrays of photovoltaic panels, their supporting structures, and/or mounting systems, the network of necessary electrical wires and conduit (above and below ground), power poles, inverters, transformers, and supporting substations. These facilities are designed for nominal operation at a nameplate capacity of greater than 100 megawatts and do not meet the definition of an "accessory solar energy generating system." This includes facilities which directly convert and transfer or store solar energy into thermal or electrical energy.

(j) "Zoning Permit" means written approval by the Zoning Department staff that is required before commencing any development as defined in this chapter or before establishing, extending, or changing use on any parcel.

(k) "Cultural Resource" means material remains of past human life or activities that are of significant cultural interest and are greater than 50 years of age. This term includes, but shall not be limited to, objects made or used by humans, such as pottery, basketry, bottles, weapons, weapon projectiles, tools, structures or portions of structures, or any portion or piece of the foregoing items, and the physical site, location, or context in which they are found, or human skeletal materials or graves.

(l) "Environmental Analysis" means a detailed localized review of the relevant environmental conditions (e.g., wetland delineations, threatened and endangered species reviews, floodplain studies, navigability determination, or areas identified as environmental corridors within the County Comprehensive Plan).

(5) Conditional Use Permit.

(a) **Permit Requirement.** The owner must apply for and receive a Conditional Use Permit from the Zoning Department before installing, constructing, or expanding any Large Solar Energy Generating Facility.

(b) **Application Process.** The application for a Conditional Use Permit shall be processed in accordance with the procedures set forth in Comprehensive Plan Ordinance 282 Section 316-53.

(c) **Permit Fee.** The owner shall pay an application fee at the time of application for a Large Solar Energy Generating Facility filed with the Zoning Department. Fees shall be based on the cost of the construction.

(d) **Permit Expiration.** A zoning permit issued by the Department expires if the construction of the Large Solar Energy Generating Facility is not commenced within 12 months from the date of the permit, or if the Large Solar Energy Generating Facility is not installed and fully functioning within 18 months from the date construction begins. A 12-month extension may be granted under Grant Count Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Chapter 3 Section 3.27 4 (a).

(e) **Standards for Review.** The standards for review of a permit application for a Large Solar Energy Generating Facility are consistent with Wis. Stat. (odd sign) 66.0401 as well as Wis. Stat. 59.69 and are not more restrictive than the PSC approved site plan as part of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

(f) **Application Requirements.** The application for a Zoning Permit shall include the following items, as may be applicable:

1. A copy of the PSC authorization, in the form of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, and a copy of the final application packet and documentation submitted to the PSC for approval.
2. A narrative of the proposed project, including a description of the subject property by metes and bounds, address(es), parcel numbers, and any unique circumstances within the project area, as may have been identified during the PSC review.
3. A site plan, which shall include a scalable drawing showing the location of all drives, entrances, easement labels and locations, trails, and signs; panels, inverters, energy storage systems, and any other planned infrastructure; vision clearance triangles; floodplain(s); wetland(s); and shoreland zoned boundaries.
4. Documentation evidencing cultural, archeological, and environmental analyses done by third parties and associated permit authorizations as required by law.
5. A complete list of neighboring parcels that have been notified of the project, within two miles of the project boundary is preferred.
6. Shared Revenue Utility Payment tax projections; estimated property tax reductions to the County, town(s), and school/special districts.

7. Any updates submitted to the PSC as applicable to these requirements. The equipment should have the capability to withstand extreme weather events, with a preference that components be listed by the Underwriters Laboratory.

(6) Zoning Permits Requirements.

(a) **Permit Requirement.** The owner must apply for and receive a Zoning Permit from the Department before installing, construction, or expanding any Small Solar Energy Generation Facility

(b) **Application Process.** The application for a Zoning Permit shall be processed in accordance with Chapter 282 Comprehensive Plan, Section 316-53.

(c) **Permit Fee.** The owner shall pay an application fee at the time of the application for a Small Solar Energy Generating Facility is filed with Zoning Department. Fees shall be based on the cost of construction.

(d) **Permit Expiration.** A zoning Permit issued by the Department expires if the construction of the Small Solar Energy Generating Facility is not commenced within 18 months from the date of the permit, or if the Small Energy Generating Facility is not installed and fully functioning within 12 months from the date construction begins. A 12-month extension may be granted under Grant County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Chapter 3, Section 27 4(a).

(e) **Application Requirement.** The application for a zoning permit shall include the following items as applicable to the project area:

1. A narrative of the proposed projects, including a description of the subject property by metes and bounds, address(es).

2. A site plan, which shall include a scalable drawing showing the location of all drives, entrances, easement labels and locations, trails, signs, panels, inverters, energy storage systems, and any other planned infrastructure; vision clearance triangles; floodplains(s); wetland(s); and shoreland zone boundaries.

3. Supporting documentation and any other relevant update, if not already submitted

(7) Additional Permitting requirements. Additional permits and processes may be required under Grant County Code of Ordinances.

(8) Operator Ownership Change. Notice shall be provided to the County for any change in ownership of the Large Solar Energy Generating Facility 30 days prior to the effective date of the change and contact information of the new owner shall be included in the notice.

(9) **Other Approvals.** A copy of all necessary state and federal permits and approvals shall be submitted to the Department within 90 days of receiving said authorization.

(10) **Postconstruction Time Requirement.** Within 90 days of the date a Large Solar Energy Generating Facility commences operation, the owner shall file with the Department an as-built description of the facility, an accurate map of the facility showing the location of all infrastructure, and geographic information, system information showing the location of said infrastructure, and current information identifying owner(s) and operator(s), including designated contact(s), of the Large Solar Energy Generating Facility.

Section II: This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication or posting as required by law.

Adopted and approved this ____ day of _____, 2025, by the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

BOARD OF SUPERVISERS BY:

Robert C. Keeney, County Board Chair

ATTEST: I, Tonya White, Grant County Clerk, do certify that the creation of Chapter ____ of the Grant County Ordinances has been approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on _____, 2025.

Tonya White, County Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE CHAPTER ___ ENTITLED "SMALL SOLAR ENERGY GENERATING FACILITY" OF THE GRANT COUNTY CODE.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of Grant County, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

Section I: Chapter ___ of the Grant County Code is hereby created to read as follows:

(1) Purpose and Scope. The purpose of this section is to adopt and incorporate the requirements of Wisconsin Stat. 66.0401 as a local ordinance and to establish local regulations on the installation and use of Small Solar Energy Generating Facilities that are authorized and compliant with Wisconsin statutes and that serve to preserve or protect the public health or safety, do not significantly increase the cost of the system or significantly decrease its efficiency, or allow for an alternative system of comparable cost or efficiency. The provisions listed under this section are not intended to be a duplication of any federal or state requirement or to exceed that authority granted to Wisconsin counties.

(2) Applicability.

This ordinance applies to all lands within the boundaries of the county lying outside the limits of incorporated cities and villages.

(3) Statutes, Regulations and Rules.

- (a) This section is subject to the provisions of Wisconsin law.
- (b) Wis Stat. 66.06401 is adopted and incorporated by reference.

(4) Definitions.

(a) "Conditional Use Permit" means a discretionary permit for a listed conditional use, granted by the Grant County Zoning Committee, under the notice and hearing procedures of Section 12.150.07 of the chapter, upon application by an owner and to which various conditions of use may be attached and adhered to by the applicant.

(b) "County" means Grant County.

(c) "Department" means the Grant County Zoning Department.

(d) "Department Director" or "Director" means the Director of the Grant County Zoning Department or the Department Director's designee.

(e) "Kilowatt" means a unit of power equal to one thousand watts.

(f) "Megawatt" means a unit of power equal to one million watts, especially as a measure of the output of a power station.

(g) "Permit" means a Zoning Permit issued by the Grant County Zoning department pursuant of this code.

(h) "Shared Revenue Utility Payment" means payments made to counties and municipalities to off-set tax exempt utility property. Payments are based on state calculations.

(i) "Small Solar Energy Generating Facility" means but is not limited to: connected arrays of photovoltaic panels, their supporting structures, and/or mounting systems, the network of necessary electrical wires and conduit (above and below ground), power poles, inverters, transformers, and supporting substations. These facilities are designed for nominal operation at a nameplate capacity of less than 100 megawatts and do not meet the definition of an "accessory structure: ie personal energy generating system." This includes facilities which directly convert and transfer or store solar energy into thermal or electrical energy.

(j) "Zoning Permit" means written approval by the Zoning Department staff that is required before commencing any development as defined in this chapter or before establishing, extending, or changing use on any parcel.

(k) "Cultural Resource" means material remains of past human life or activities that are of significant cultural interest and are greater than 50 years of age. This term includes, but shall not be limited to, objects made or used by humans, such as pottery, basketry, bottles, weapons, weapon projectiles, tools, structures or portions of structures, or any portion or piece of the foregoing items, and the physical site, location, or context in which they are found, or human skeletal materials or graves.

(l) "Environmental Analysis" means a detailed localized review of the relevant environmental conditions (e.g., wetland delineations, threatened and endangered species reviews, floodplain studies, navigability determination, or areas identified as environmental corridors withing the County Comprehensive Plan).

(5) Conditional Use Permit.

(a) **Permit Requirement.** Small Solar Energy Generating Facilities are subject to Conditional Use Permit approval in all zoning districts.

(b) **Application Process.** The application for a conditional use permit shall be processed in accordance with procedures set forth in Section 282 Section 316.53.

(c) **Application Requirements.** The application for a Conditional Use Permit shall include the following items as applicable to the project area:

1. A narrative of the proposed project, including a description of the subject property by metes and bounds, address(es), parcel numbers, and any unique circumstances within the project area.
2. A site plan, which shall include a scalable drawing showing the location of all drives, entrances, easement labels and locations, trails and signs; panels, inverters, storage systems, and any other planned infrastructure; vision clearance triangles; floodplain(s); wetland(s); and shoreland zone boundaries.
3. A plan showing an overhead view of all the existing and proposed landscaping on the site, including the locations, species, size at the time of planting, and mature size for all the new plantings.
4. A grading and drainage plan, showing the existing and proposed surface elevations, and proposed erosion control and stormwater management provisions.
5. A decommissioning plan and financial assurance.
6. Shared Revenue Utility Payment tax projections and estimated property tax reductions to the County, town(s), and school/special district(s).
7. Agreements, leases or other documentation with affected landowners and/or communities outlining any site-specific terms or conditions of development and assuring maintenance of land to be owned or used for common purposes, including, but not limited to joint development agreements and road maintenance agreements.
8. Supporting documentation addressing the review criteria for Chapter 282, Article XV, Section 316.53.
9. Copies of all, state, federal, and other permits.
10. Any other documentation as identified by the Administrator or the Zoning Committee to demonstrate compliance with state and federal law.
11. Documentation evidencing cultural, archeological, and environmental analyses done by third parties, and associated permit authorizations as required by law.
12. A complete list of neighboring parcels that have been notified of the project, within 2 miles of the project is preferred.
13. Anticipated water and soil quality impacts from construction materials and project implementation, and a baseline testing and monitoring protocol to be implemented to address such impacts.

14. A planned maintenance log description. An owner/operator, at the owner/operator's sole expense, shall maintain and provide the Department at least annually with a maintenance log for the solar energy generating facility. The Log must contain the following information regarding any maintenance performed: 1) date and time maintenance was performed; 2) nature of the maintenance performed; and 3) reason(s) for the maintenance. The Department may retain such consultants or experts as it deems necessary to assess and determine whether the solar energy system facilities are compliant and/or to assess whether the solar energy facilities are being maintained in good repair and operational condition.

15. The equipment must have the capability to withstand extreme weather events, with a preference that components be listed by the Underwriters Laboratory.

16. Documentation of the planned stray voltage mitigation and response.

17. Planned noise nuisance abatement measures.

(d) **Review Criteria.** In addition to the criteria set forth in Chapter 282 Section 316.53, the review for the Conditional Use Permit shall address and consider the following:

1. Setbacks from the participating and non-participating property lines, residential structures, unique adjacent land uses, and roadways, assessed on a case-by-case basis for each parcel affected.

a. Documentation of working with neighbors toward a Committee-identified minimum goal of 50 feet from non-participatory property lines and minimum 500 feet from residential structures.

2. Documentation of working with neighbors to address stray voltage concerns.

3. Beneficial vegetative screenings and maintenance requirements of the said vegetative screening.

4. To the extent feasible and practical, plans to use the land for both agricultural and electricity generating among the solar panels, possibly including but not limited to:

a. Planning and maintaining pollinator-friendly native plant species and reduced herbicide applications.

b. Grazing of livestock such as cattle, sheep, goats, and/or chickens.

c. Planting of shade tolerant crops.

5. Mitigation of impacts to local environmentally sensitive species and habitats by the following:

a. Best construction practices, such as wildlife permeable fencing to allow smaller wildlife access through the facility fencing and

b. Best construction practices to allow larger wildlife access natural movement around the facility fences.

6. Best Management Practices (BMPs) and consideration as noted in Section (whatever ours turns out to be) associated with projects using battery storage.

7. Dust mitigation measures.

8. Cultural and environmental resources

9. Stormwater runoff and erosion control mitigation measures, with a focus on assuring implantation of mitigation measures, including a preference for minimal soil grading.

10. Reasonable constructions standards, including:

a. Phasing to limit area of disturbance.

b. Hours of construction to limit disruption to residents.

c. Light pollution mitigation.

11. Equipment-related sound mitigation measures that keep operational noise generation at the property line(s) at a threshold of no greater than industry standards outlined by the Public Service Commission, possibly including, but not limited to:

a. Equipment relocation further from receptors

b. Noise cancellation using quitter equipment

c. Sound shielding technology

d. Sound filtering technology

e. Noise suppression and blocking with building enclosures or barrier walls

12. Maintenance and repair of damage to local roads due to project construction, possibly in the form of a Road Maintenance Agreement.

13. Mitigation plans for any damaged soil drainage infrastructure.

14. Mitigation plans for any damage to surface water conveyance infrastructure, such as grassed waterways.

15. Fire hazard mitigation plans, including:

a. Battery-related fire suppression design and chemical release containment design.

b. Clean-up and monitoring of any fire-related chemical release.

c. Additional funding to affected fire districts directly impacted by the project area, including but not limited to equipment, supplies and drills for the local firefighting and emergency response departments at the owner/operator expense.

16. Replacement of lost property tax revenue, including school and special districts.

17. Financial assurance during the construction phase in the form of a surety bond, letter of credit, escrow account, reverse fund, parent guarantee or other suitable financial mechanism.

18. Decommissioning plan and financial assurance for project decommissioning costs. A posted form of financial security such as a surety bond, letter of credit, escrow account, reverse fund, parent guarantee or other suitable financial mechanism, prior to the commencement of construction to include the total cost of decommissioning of the solar generation portion and the battery energy storage portion of the solar project at the end of its useful life.

19. Compliance with state and federal laws, as may be applicable.

20. Other community benefits as may be relevant.

21. Potential property value impacts associated with the project, and potential to offset said impacts with the landowner compensation agreements.

(6) Zoning Permits Requirements.

(a) **Permit Requirement.** The owner must apply for and receive a Zoning Permit from the Department before installing, construction, or expanding any Small Solar Energy Generation Facility.

(b) **Application Process.** The application for a Zoning Permit shall be processed in accordance with Chapter 282 Comprehensive Plan, Section 316-53.

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3. Supporting documentation and any other relevant update, if not already submitted.

(7) **Additional Permitting Requirements.** Additional permits and processes may be required under Grant County Ordinances.

(8) **Operator Ownership Change.** Notice shall be provided to the County for any change in the ownership of the Small Solar Generating Facility on or before the effective date of the change.

(9) **Other Approvals.** A copy of all necessary state and federal permits and approvals shall be submitted to the Department within 90 days of receiving said authorizations.

(10) **Postconstruction Filing Requirement.** Within 90 days of the date a Small Solar Energy Generating Facility commences operation, the owner shall file with the Department an as-built description of the facility, an accurate map of the facility showing the location of all infrastructure, geographic information, system information showing the location of said infrastructure, and current information identifying the owner(s) and operator(s), including designated contact(s), of the Small Solar Energy Generating Facility.

(11) Battery Energy Storage System. If battery energy storage systems are included in the solar or other projects, the following considerations shall be made by the owner/operator:

(a) Setbacks from residential, business, municipal, school, or town structures, and public and private drinking water systems. A committee-identified minimum goal of 1,500 feet from residential, business, municipal, school, or town structures and minimum 1,000 feet from a drinking water system is desired.

(b) Separate containment enclosures that include the following goals:

1. Enclosure size capacity containment of the 150% of the battery energy storage system.

2. Sufficient fireproofing for connecting electronic wires, protecting from one structure to the next and from the battery energy storage system to the substation.

(c) Battery management protocols including:

1. Labeling of battery energy storage system container with a date of first usage via a stamped metal nameplate with serial number.

2. Upon the end of serviceable life or no more than seven consecutive years, whichever comes first, the battery energy storage system container shall be removed from the site and recycled at the owner/operator's expense.

3. The owner/operator shall give an annual report to the Department documenting which batteries are near the end of their lifecycle, including current physical location of the battery and its serial number.

Section II: This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication or posting as required by law.

Adopted and approved this ____ day of _____, 2025, by the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

BOARD OF SUPERVISERS BY:

Robert C. Keeney, County Board Chair

ATTEST: I, Tonya White, Grant County Clerk, do certify that the creation of Chapter ____ of the Grant County Ordinances has been approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on _____, 2025.

Tonya White, County Clerk

Keith Lane

From: Uvaas, Benjamin J - DNR <Benjamin.Uvaas@wisconsin.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2026 4:34 PM
To: Keith Lane
Cc: Gesch, Karl R - DNR; Schoen, Jessica L - DNR; Dickmann, Jacob C - DNR
Subject: [EXTERNAL SOURCE] Response Requested: NR 151 Progress & Resource Analysis Sample Sites
Attachments: Grant_NPRA Site List.pdf; Grant_NPRA Site List.xlsx

Hello,
The attached Excel file is the NPRA sample site list for your county. A PDF version of the list also is attached. If there were any sites selected in your County where DNR already has data on file those have been identified in the list and are visually identified with gray highlight.

There is a lot in the email and it may seem overwhelming. For now, focus on the "What to do Next" section near the end of the email.

County Sample Site List

This Excel sample site file has six columns. Below is a description of the less-intuitive columns.

- **Column B** is the sample site type. Different sample site types are used to assess different performance standards and prohibitions. You'll need to enter this field when submitting data.
- **Column C** is the Site ID. A site ID was assigned by the NPRA Team to protect privacy and assist with analysis. You'll need to enter this field when submitting data.
- **Column D** is a Google Maps link to the site, which is also captured in Columns E and F as lat/lon coordinates.
- There are no columns with landowner names or mailing addresses. This was an intentional choice to help protect their privacy. If your county would like assistance identifying this information, please contact the [NPRA Team](#) by replying to this email.

Through random site selection, your county received a higher than average volume of sample sites. After reading this email, please think carefully about how this request will impact the county, and about what kind of support you'll need from the NPRA Team and DNR to be successful. The NPRA Team would be happy to meet with you to discuss any concerns or ideas you have to streamline this workload.

What is a "Sample Site" or "Sample Point"?

The NPRA Team needed to use statistical methods to select sample sites, often this meant a point being dropped on a map of potential sites.

- A "cropland sample site" is a contiguous area of land with a common agricultural practice (281.16(1)(b)) and management regime. This includes crop fields, animal pastures, and winter grazing areas (NR 151.03(15m)), but not feedlots (NR 151.03(8)).
 - In layman's terms, a cropland sample site is a field, pasture, or animal grazing area.
 - This definition does not include all agricultural fields utilized by a crop producer, and is limited to the field containing the sample point "dot".
- A "Silurian sample site" is the same as a cropland sample site. Except, bedrock consists of Silurian dolomite with a depth to bedrock of 20 feet or less, and it's located in one of the sixteen counties listed in 151.015(17).
- A "livestock operation sample site" is a contiguous area of land containing livestock facilities (NR 151.03(9)) controlled by the same livestock producer (NR 151.03(10))
 - In layman's terms, it's a farmstead.
 - This definition does not include other farms owned by the livestock producer, even if they are part of the same "animal feeding operation" per the definition in NR 243.03(4).

Data Reporting

For this project, "data" refers to information about a site's compliance status, how and when compliance determinations were made, and for sites that are not in compliance with at least one performance standard or

prohibition, the resources needed to achieve compliance. The NPRA Team is completing the data submittal portal using a system called “Qualtrics”.

The NPRA team anticipates Counties and DNR using a combination of new and existing data to complete the Qualtrics questions.

- “Existing data” is any written or recorded compliance determination made by DNR or a County after October 2002 and prior to March 2026. The determination does not have to have been shared outside the County or DNR previously.
- “New data” means new observations or document reviews as necessary to respond to Qualtrics. The NPRA Team will provide training and resources related to gathering new data in the near future.

The NPRA Team needs to complete data reporting by 7/31/2026.

What to do Next

1. Review the sample sites for your county.
2. Investigate what systems your county may have that contain existing data and determine if you have existing data for any of the sites on your list.
3. Think about what kind of support you’ll need from the NPRA Team and DNR to be successful.
4. Plan to attend one of the Zoom kickoff meetings March 12 or March 16.

Please reply to this email ([NPRA Team](#)) to acknowledge you received it.

Sincerely,

- NPRA Team

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Our core values include professionalism, integrity, and customer service.

Please visit our [survey](#) to provide feedback on your experience interacting with any DNR employee.

