

**Owyhee County  
Community Development**

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**Administrative Solar Application**

**SUBMITTALS:**  Narrative describing project  Site plan/Installation layout  Right to Farm Affidavit  
 Decommissioning plan  Application fee

Property Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Project Address/Location \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Setback from Property Line \_\_\_\_\_ Setback from Roads \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Parcel Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Representative/Contractor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Current Zoning of The Subject Parcel \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mounting of Solar Panels (Ground or Roof Mount) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Total Sq. Ft of All Solar Panels \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total Kw of Solar System \_\_\_\_\_

I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY that I/we, \_\_\_\_\_, being duly sworn, depose and say that I/we am/are the **property owner(s)** in the foregoing application, that I/we have read the foregoing application and know the content thereof and state that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Furthermore, all information and data submitted to Owyhee County in support of my application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I/we acknowledge that by submitting this application a member or members of the planning and zoning commission may physically make a site visit to the proposed site and surrounding vicinity. I/we understand that this will be done at an unannounced time without conversation with owners, applicants, or the public.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

On the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared, known to me to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that s/he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and seal the day and year as above written.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

Residing at \_\_\_\_\_  
Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

FOR ADMINISTRATIVE USE  
File No. \_\_\_\_\_ Rec'd by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Pd. \_\_\_\_\_ Check No. \_\_\_\_\_

## **Submittal Information**

1. A complete, notarized application form including required submittals as outlined on the application form.
2. A narrative describing an overview of the project including the number of kW to be produced, total square footage of solar panels, anti-reflectivity coating of the panels, and the location, number and description of accessory equipment and structures to the extent known.
3. For ground-mount installation, a site plan of the property that depicts the locations of all existing and proposed structures (including solar arrays, inverters, transformers, electrical substations, and buildings), property lines, rights-of-way, roads, required setbacks, and visual buffers.  
For roof-mount installation, a layout/installation diagram that shows setbacks from roof ridges, valleys, and headwalls.
4. Right to Farm Affidavit – signed by property owner and notarized.
5. A decommissioning plan shall be required to ensure that facilities are properly removed after their useful life. Decommissioning of solar panels must occur in the event they are not producing power for 12 consecutive months. The plan shall include the following:
  - a. the name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person(s) or entity(ies) responsible for implementing the decommissioning plan;
  - b. a statement of conditions that require the decommissioning plan to be implemented;
  - c. as part of decommissioning, a removal plan that identifies all structures, components, and non-utility owned equipment that shall be removed;
  - d. as part of decommissioning, a restoration plan to return the property to its condition prior to the installation of the SES or to some other condition reasonably appropriate for the designated land use after the SES is removed; and
  - e. a timeline to complete decommissioning.

## **SITE DESIGN AND INSTALLATION:**

- A. Ground- or pole-mounted solar energy systems shall not exceed 25 feet in height when oriented at maximum tilt. Systems that exceed this height will only be allowed by conditional use permit.
- B. For rooftop fire safety, required setbacks of 3 feet from roof ridges, and 1.5 feet from valleys and headwalls shall be met to allow fire fighter access.
- C. Setback distances for ground mounted systems shall be at least 50' from property lines, and 100' from public roads.
- D. Solar energy systems proposed to be located within 1,000 feet of an airport, within approach zones of an airport, or in an airport or airspace overlay zone will be required to complete and provide the results of the Solar Glare Hazard Analysis Tool (SGHAT). All solar energy systems must have an anti-reflectivity coating to reduce glare from the panels.
- E. Lighting: Any lighting at the solar installation site, either temporary or permanent, shall utilize motion sensors and be directed downward and inward toward the solar installation so as to minimize the glare on public roads and adjacent properties.
- F. Solar energy system components must have an anti-reflectivity coating to help reduce the amount of glare from the panels.



## Owyhee County, Idaho

### RIGHT TO FARM Disclosure Statement

- A. It is the intent of the Legislature of the State of Idaho pursuant to IDAHO CODE Title 22 Chapter 45, RIGHT TO FARM ACT to reduce the loss to the state of its agricultural resources by limiting the circumstances under which agricultural operations may be deemed to be a nuisance.
- B. It is the intent of the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners and the Planning and Zoning Commission to uphold, support, and enforce the RIGHT TO FARM ACT.
- C. The County of Owyhee fully supports and permits "agricultural operations" as defined in IDAHO CODE 22-4502, Definitions, when operated in accordance with generally recognized agricultural practices which includes conformity with Federal, State, and local laws and regulations and when not adversely affecting public health and safety.

I acknowledge Idaho's RIGHT TO FARM, and I accept the agricultural environment they protect and do agree to live within said environment.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal: Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Township: \_\_\_\_\_ Range: \_\_\_\_\_

Assessor's Parcel Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF IDAHO, County of Owyhee ss.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared:

\_\_\_\_\_

Known or identified to me to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Residing at: \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

# Decommissioning Plan

**\*\*\*The Decommissioning plan shall be implemented in the event the solar panels are not producing power for 12 consecutive months\*\*\***

1. Party responsible for implementing the decommissioning plan:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email

2. List any conditions which will require the decommissioning plan to be implemented:

- System not producing power for 12 consecutive months
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3. Identify all structures, components, and non-utility owned equipment that shall be removed:

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4. Restoration plan to return the property to its condition prior to the installation:

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\_\_\_\_\_

5. Timeline to complete decommissioning: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of responsible party**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**