

O'Brien County Wind Energy Compliance/Building Permit

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An abstractor's certificate is required, at the time the application is made, showing the names and last known addresses of the owners of all property within 1,200 feet of each proposed wind turbine location for which the permit is requested.

Application is made by

Name: _____ owner/developer/agent
(Please circle one)

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone or Contact Number: _____

Location of Proposed Improvements

Qtr _____ Qtr _____ Sec _____ Township _____ Range _____

Subdivision _____ Block _____ Lot _____

Legal Description _____

LOT OR PARCEL INFORMATION

Size of Lot _____ X _____ Front Width _____ Rear Width _____

Structure will be set back _____ feet from right of way

Structure will be set back _____ feet from nearest occupied dwelling

Structure will be set back _____ feet from nearest other structure/building (including unoccupied dwellings)

Structure will be set back _____ feet from rear lot line

Structure will be set back _____ feet from both side lot lines

Structure will be set back _____ feet from the front lot line

Present Land Use: _____

BUILDING OR STRUCTURE INFORMATION

Is this permit for: New Construction : Alteration : Repairs/Modifications : Move-In/Relocate
(Please circle one)

Total Height of proposed structure or building: _____
(Note: Total Height of a Wind Energy Device is that height measured to the tip of the blade at its highest point)

Valuation of proposed structure or building: \$ _____

Please provide a visual depiction and the text of any signs to be attached to or located near the proposed building or structure.

SITE PLAN

Application for a compliance/building permit will be accompanied by a detailed site plan for the wind energy device. A site plan and other such plans or manufacturer's specifications shall show the dimensions, arrangements, descriptive data, site layout and information essential to an understanding of the use/construction of the proposed wind energy device. Site plans shall include at a minimum:

- Location and number of the proposed wind energy device(s)
- Access points showing construction details typical of all entrances to be built in public right-of-way.
- Distance to any inhabited or uninhabited buildings within 1,200 feet
- Distance to the nearest wind energy or other tower structures of similar purpose or size
- Leaseholder or ownership details of the building site
- Dimensions of the building site showing distances to surrounding properties
- Construction details (including manufacturer and model, tower height, tower type, and rotor diameter)
- Tower foundation blueprints or drawings and tower blueprint or drawing
- Site layout including location of electrical wires, connections with electrical grid, and accessory structures.
- The site plan shall be drawn to scale.
- Documentation of land ownership or legal control of the property
- FAA Permit Application

PERMIT FEES

A wind energy compliance/building permit shall be subject to an application fee of \$300.00 per wind energy project. Additionally, a permit fee of \$1,000 per wind energy device must be received and acknowledged prior to approval of said application by the Board of Supervisors.

The undersigned applicant, by signature, indicates his/her agreement to the conditions outlined in this permit, and to adhere to the regulations applicable to this wind energy permit. The applicant also acknowledges understanding and agreement of: *That this permit is valid ONLY for the project as presented to and approved by O'Brien County; AND that any changes made to either the site plan submitted or the construction/improvement/usage authorized by this permit must be reviewed by O'Brien County for compliance and authorization prior to commencement of construction; AND that failure to notify O'Brien County of such changes is a violation of the O'Brien County Wind Energy Device Ordinance and may result in monetary penalties; AND that it is the intent of the applicant to build the structure(s) noted on this form in accordance with the plan(s) submitted, for the usage(s) indicated, on the parcel/land as indicated in the plan(s) presented to and approved by O'Brien County; AND that ANY unauthorized changes to the approved plan, usage noted, or to the parcel /land/site plan as presented renders this permit null and void.*

Approval of a permit for a wind energy device shall be valid for a period no longer than two (2) years from the date of such permit, unless construction has commenced or the Board of Supervisors specifically grants a longer period of time for the building permit.

Applicant / Owner / Developer Signature (or Authorized Representative) _____ Date: _____

ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL:

This application and site plan presented by the applicant have been reviewed for compliance with the O'Brien County Wind Energy Ordinance and is determined to be in compliance with the regulations.

This permit application is: **Approved** **Denied**
as presented on the date: _____

Signed: _____ **Permit Reviewer**
Copy Sent to County Assessor on: _____

COUNTY ENGINEER REVIEW/APPROVAL:

This permit application is: **Recommended**
 Not Recommended

Road Access Issues: _____

Tiling/Maintenance Issues: _____

Signed: _____ **County Engineer**