

ENERGY UTILITIES (PUBLIC AND PRIVATE) APPLICATION CHECKLIST: The following information is required for all Land Use Permits for Energy Utilities, unless waived by the Land Use Administrator. The applicant shall submit ___ copies of the Site Plan and documents listed below. (*Reference Article 5, Section 5.30 F.*)

REVIEW CRITERIA. Applications for Energy Utilities in Costilla County must show how activities are environmentally appropriate and conform to the Costilla County Comprehensive Plan. In addition to the General Review Criteria found in *Article 5, Section 5.30*, the following review criteria will be used in evaluating Energy Utility applications: (*Reference Costilla County Comprehensive Plan – Environment and Natural Resources.*)

- All structures shall be integrated with their natural surroundings.
- All electric utilities including service lines shall be placed underground where feasible.
- All structures shall be designed and placed to avoid blocking scenic views from public rights-of-way, parks, and other public spaces.
- Structures shall not be placed on a ridgeline that will create the effect of “skylining” the structure.
- A Wildlife Evaluation and Mitigation Plan shall be provided that specifies the protection of migration corridors, nesting sites, calving areas and other characteristics of critical habitat.
- Applicant shall provide and present all alternatives used to determine the most appropriate alternative for placement of facilities relative to the criteria listed above.

Applicant

Land Use Administrator

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan (see separate checklist). The applicant shall submit ___ copies of the Site Plan. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Project Description Narrative describing the proposed use in detail, and addressing how the proposed use will be compatible with adjacent and surrounding land use, both existing and proposed | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> An Avian Habitat Study for Wind Generation Facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> A Visual Analysis detailing the visual impacts of the proposed facilities as viewed from public roads and spaces | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation Plan detailing the impacts of the transport of materials to the site during construction, and the impacts to County roads | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Name, address and telephone number of Owner, Applicant (if not owner), and person who prepared the application. If the owner is not the applicant, the application must be signed by the owner, or a letter authorizing the applicant to submit the application on behalf of the owner must be provided. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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