

County of Lancaster, Zoning Ordinance, Article 1

Definitions Amendment- May 27, 2021 public hearing

Lancaster Board of Supervisors.

**Applicant.**

The person or entity who submits an application to the locality for a permit or authorization to operate, construct, or install any item or action as required by county ordinance.

**Small Scale Residential Solar Installation.**

An installation of solar photovoltaic, solar thermal, solar hot water, or any similar type of energy or heat capture from sunlight intended to serve the residential parcel upon which the solar installation is located, provided that any ground mounted panels cover an area of 10,000 square feet or less or are confined to roof areas of the main dwelling and/or accessory buildings. Such an installation may be grid-tied, provided that the main intent is to provide energy generation for the residential use on the parcel upon which the solar installation is located and is not a utility scale solar facility.


**Utility Scale Solar Facility.**

A stand-alone installation or project undertaken to generate and store energy, or heat from sunlight consisting of photovoltaics, solar thermal, solar hot water, battery or heat storage associated with a utility scale solar project, or any similar type of energy or heat capture on a commercial scale and which is intended to market some or all of the production for sale to the electric grid.

**Agricultural and Commercial Solar Installation.**

An installation of solar photovoltaic, solar thermal, solar hot water, or any similar type of energy or heat capture from sunlight intended for use on and within an Agricultural or Commercial enterprise located on the same or adjacent parcel that is intended to provide some or all of the energy needs for that use and not a utility scale solar project. Such an installation could be grid-tied, but its primary purpose would not be to derive direct revenue from utility sales.

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Attest:   
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