

Solar Energy System Annual Monitoring and Maintenance Report Review Application

DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District

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Solar Energy System facilities that were granted Special Use Permits under DeKalb County Ordinance 2022-21 and 2023-012 are required to submit a brief Monitoring and Maintenance Report to the DeKalb County SWCD annually for the first five (5) years or until compliance approval is provided by SWCD. The Monitoring and Maintenance Report is due to the District by December 31st of each year. Reports must include all components outlined in the County's SES Ordinance.

The SWCD Staff will have **30** days from receipt of the application and fee to conduct a review of the Annual Monitoring and Maintenance Report and submit comments. The DeKalb County Community Development Department and applicant will be notified when the report has been approved by the DeKalb County SWCD. Copies will be maintained in the Districts files.

Project Name: _____ Aggregate parcel size: _____ (acres)

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Title: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

SES Facility Owner: _____

Parcel Index Number(s): _____

Site Location (Township/Range/Section): _____

IMPORTANT

The Monitoring and Maintenance Report shall be prepared by an ecologist and shall include, at a minimum:

- ✓ Project name and geographic location;
- ✓ Map location and description of each plant community present on-site;
- ✓ Description of the general condition of each plant community including any issues or deficiencies from the performance standards*;
- ✓ List of all species observed in each plant community, including scientific and common names, based on a minimum of two (2) meander searches conducted by an ecologist during the growing season (one (1) meander search in the spring and one (1) in the summer);
- ✓ List of five (5) most dominant species present in each community, estimated based on visual observation during the meander searches, including scientific and common names;
- ✓ Discussion of maintenance activities implemented during the current year being reported on;
- ✓ Summary of maintenance activities planned for the coming year, including any "adaptive management" strategies proposed to address issues or to correct deficiencies from the performance standards; and
- ✓ Color photos representing each plant community and their general condition including any issues observed or deficiencies in performance standards.

**Note: Performance standards can be found in the DeKalb County Ordinance 2022-21 and 2023-012.*

Contact Person or Petitioner's Signature: _____ Date: _____/20_____

This report will be issued on nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, handicap or marital status.

**Fees and form revised as of 1/10/2024.*