

SENATE FILE NO. SF0154

Industrial, wind and solar projects-hearing deadline.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Boner and Landen and
Representative(s) Campbell, K and Lien

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to industrial development and siting;
2 amending the deadline by which the director of the
3 department of environmental quality must hold a hearing on
4 industrial siting permit applications; amending deadlines
5 to cure incomplete applications; amending deadlines for
6 counties to hold hearings and reach decisions on permit
7 applications for wind and solar projects; specifying
8 applicability; and providing for an effective date.

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10 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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12 **Section 1.** W.S. 18-5-506, 18-5-507(a) and
13 35-12-110(d) and (f)(intro) are amended to read:

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15 **18-5-506. Hearing and public comment.**

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2 Any board of county commissioners receiving an application
3 to permit a facility shall hold a public hearing to
4 consider public comment on the application no less than
5 forty-five (45) days and not more than ~~sixty (60)~~ ninety
6 (90) days after determining that the application is
7 complete. The applicant may agree to extend the date by
8 which a public hearing is held under this section. Written
9 comment on the application shall be accepted by the board
10 of county commissioners for not less than forty-five (45)
11 days after determining that the application is complete.

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13 **18-5-507. Decision of the board; findings necessary.**

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15 (a) Within ~~forty-five (45)~~ sixty (60) days from the
16 date of completion of the hearing required by W.S.
17 18-5-506, the board shall make complete findings, issue an
18 opinion, render a decision upon the record either granting
19 or denying the application and state whether or not the
20 applicant has met the standards required by this article.
21 The decision shall be subject to the remedies provided in
22 W.S. 18-5-508. The board shall grant a permit if it
23 determines that the proposed facility complies with all

1 standards properly adopted by the board of county
2 commissioners and the standards required by this article.

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4 **35-12-110. Service of notice of application;**
5 **information and recommendations; application deficiencies;**
6 **procedure; jurisdiction; hearing.**

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8 (d) On receipt of an application, the director shall
9 conduct a review of the application to determine if it
10 contains all the information required by W.S. 35-12-109 and
11 the rules and regulations. If the director determines that
12 the application is incomplete, he shall within thirty (30)
13 days of receipt of the application notify the applicant of
14 the specific deficiencies in the application. The applicant
15 shall provide the additional information necessary within
16 ~~thirty (30)~~ sixty (60) days of a receipt of a request for
17 additional information from the director.

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19 (f) Not more than ~~ninety (90)~~ one hundred twenty
20 (120) days after receipt of an application for a permit,
21 the director shall:

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1 **Section 2.** This act shall apply to all applications
2 for permits submitted under the Industrial Development
3 Information and Siting Act and under W.S. 18-5-501 through
4 18-5-513 on and after January 1, 2026.

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6 **Section 3.** This act is effective January 1, 2026.

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