

County	Specified acceptable financial instruments (1)	Amount of financial assurance (2)	Procedures for county access to financial assurances (3)
Adams	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate, without reduction for salvage value	Procedures must be described in permit application
Boone	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
Bureau	Escrow account	Not specified	Procedures must be described in permit application
Carroll	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
Cass	Not specified	Not specified	Procedures must be described in permit application
Champaign	Escrow account or irrevocable letter of credit	Equal to 210% of decommissioning cost estimate	County may draw funds if the owner does not comply with conditions specified in the ordinance
Christian	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
Coles	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	At least equal to decommissioning cost estimate for each tower	Security for each tower will be released when said tower is properly decommissioned as determined by the county
DeKalb (4)	Letter of credit	\$7,000,000 for a term of not less than 25 years	Not specified
Ford	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, trust instrument or corporate guarantee	Equal to difference between decommissioning cost and salvage value	Procedures must be described in permit application
Fulton	Escrow account or surety bond	Not specified	County shall have access to funds for decommissioning if not completed within 6 months of EOPL
Henry	Escrow account, letter of credit, performance bond, or surety bond	Sufficient to guarantee the performance of decommissioning	Not specified
Iroquois	Surety bond	At least \$10,000 per tower, equal to the decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
Jo Daviess	Not specified	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
Kankakee	Escrow account or bond	Sufficient funds (accounting for inflation) to pay for decommissioning	Not specified
Kendall	Escrow account or surety bond	Not specified	County shall have access to funds for decommissioning if decommissioning is not completed within 60 days of EOPL
Knox	Escrow account, letter of credit, performance bond, or surety bond	Not specified	Not specified
Lake	No financial plan specified	No financial plan specified	No financial plan specified
LaSalle	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, or surety bond	To be determined by County Zoning Director	County shall have access to the security if decommissioning is not completed by the owner within 6 months of EOPL
Livingston	Escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, trust instrument, or cash	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Not specified
Logan	Escrow account or surety bond	Not specified	County shall have access to the security if decommissioning is not completed by the owner within 6 months of EOPL
Macon	Bond	To be approved by County Planning and Zoning Administrator	Not specified
Marshall	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, trust instrument, or corporate guarantee	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application

(1) Corporate guarantees as a financial instrument must come from an entity with investment-grade credit. (2) In most cases, the decommissioning cost estimate must be performed by a Professional Engineer acceptable to the county. (3) EOPL: End of Project Life, which is the planned termination of project operations, the abandonment of the facility due to financial or other issues, or the cessation of operations for any other reason. (4) DeKalb County has no wind energy ordinance; this information is from a special use permit granted to FPL Energy Illinois Wind in 2009.

County	Assurance funding date	Periodic cost update	Removal depth, timeframe	Further conditions on abandonment or removal (6) (7)
Adams	Not specified	Every five years	To 4' below surface	Any WECS that is out of service for 180 days will be deemed non-operational and must be removed within 180 days, dependent on extenuating circumstances
Boone	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Bureau	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 6 months of EOPL	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Carroll	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Cass	Not specified	Not specified	To 5' below surface	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Champaign	Annual deposits made over a 12 year period	Not specified	Not specified	Within 30 days of notification of abandonment or escrow expiration from county, owners must remove within 90 days unless applying for extension
Christian	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Coles	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface	Decommissioning must be completed within 12 months of EOPL
DeKalb (4)	Not specified	Not specified	To 8' below surface (4' with waiver)	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application; any tower not operating for one year will be decommissioned unless an extension is granted
Ford	Not specified	Every five years	To 3.5' below surface	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Fulton	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 6 months of EOPL	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Henry	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface	A WECS that is out of service for 1 year is abandoned; within 8 months of EOPL, the owner of a WECS must perform decommissioning
Iroquois	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface	A WECS that is out of service for 1 year is abandoned; within 180 days of EOPL, the owner of a WECS must perform decommissioning
Jo Daviess	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Kankakee	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Kendall	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 6 months of EOPL	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Knox	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 8 months of EOPL	A WECS that is out of service for 1 year is abandoned; within 8 months of EOPL, the owner of a WECS must perform decommissioning
Lake	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	A WECS that is out of service for 180 days is abandoned; within 90 days of EOPL, the owner of a WECS must perform decommissioning
LaSalle	Not specified	See note (5)	To 4' below surface, within 6 months of EOPL	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Livingston	Not specified	Every three years	Not specified	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Logan	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 6 months of EOPL	A WECS that is out of service for 1 year is abandoned
Macon	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 6 months of EOPL	A WECS that is out of service for 6 months is abandoned
Marshall	Not specified	Every four years	To 3' below surface	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application

(4) See footnote on page 1. (5) LaSalle County's existing ordinance does not specify a re-evaluation of decommissioning costs, but a proposed change to their ordinance requires a complete re-evaluation of the decommissioning plan every 5 years. (6) Generally, the required detail of a decommissioning plan in the permit application includes under what conditions a turbine will be considered abandoned, and a schedule of when and how the decommissioning will take place. (7) WECS: Wind Energy Conversion System.

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Mason	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
McDonough	Escrow account, irrevocable letter of credit, performance bond, or surety bond	Not specified	Ordinance only specifies that a financial plan may be required, and the types of acceptable financial assurances
McLean (8)	Escrow account	\$25,000 per turbine	Not specified
Mercer	Escrow account, letter of credit, performance bond, or surety bond	Equal to the positive decommissioning cost and salvage value	Procedures must be described in permit application
Montgomery	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
Morgan	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Equal to 120% of the decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
Moultrie	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Not specified	Not specified
Ogle	Cash escrow account funded by WECS licensee with ten annual cash payments	Equal to a decommissioning cost estimate provided by the applicant	Procedures must be described in permit application
Peoria	Escrow account or surety bond	Not specified	County shall have access to the security if decommissioning is not completed by the owner within 6 months of EOPL
Piatt	Not specified	Not specified	Procedures must be described in permit application
Pike	Escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Sliding scale equal to future decommissioning cost	Yes
Rock Island	Escrow account, irrevocable letter of credit, performance bond, or surety bond	Not specified	Not specified
Sangamon	Not specified	Not specified	Procedures must be described in permit application
Shelby	Letter of credit or bond	For the cost of decommissioning each tower to be constructed	Not specified
Stark	Escrow account, or surety bond	Not specified	County shall have access to the security if decommissioning is not completed by the owner within 6 months of EOPL
Stephenson	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
Tazewell	Escrow account or surety bond	Not specified	County shall have access to the security if decommissioning is not completed by the owner within 6 months of EOPL
Vermilion	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
Warren	Not specified	See note (9)	Procedures must be described in permit application
Whiteside	Cash escrow, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond, or trust instrument	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	Procedures must be described in permit application
Will	No financial plan specified	No financial plan specified	No financial plan specified
Winnebago	Irrevocable letter of credit	Equal to decommissioning cost estimate	County shall have access to the security if decommissioning is not completed by the owner within 18 months of EOPL
Woodford	Escrow account or surety bond	Not Specified	County shall have access to the security if decommissioning is not completed by the owner within 6 months of EOPL

(1,2 & 3) See footnotes on page 1. (8) McLean County's zoning ordinance does not cover utility-scale wind energy systems; the information here was sourced from "Findings of Fact and Recommendation of the McLean County Zoning Board of Appeals concerning the application of Horizon Wind Energy LLC for a special use permit to construct Black Prairie Wind Farms I-III". (9) Warren County's Financial Assurance rate is as follows: 12 years from when first turbine begins generating electricity is \$25,000 for each turbine, then \$30,000 each 6 years later, then \$35,000 each 24 years later.

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Mason	Not specified	Every five years	Not specified	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
McDonough	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 8 months of EOPL	A WECS that is out of service for 1 year is abandoned
McLean (8)	12 years from start of operations	Not specified	To 40" below grade	Decommissioning plan is detailed in permit application
Mercer	Not specified	Every five years	To 4' below surface	A WECS that is out of service for 1 year is abandoned; the owner of a WECS must perform decommissioning within 8 months of EOPL
Montgomery	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Morgan	Not specified	Every five years	Not specified	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Moultrie	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface	A WECS that is out of service for 1 year shall be properly decommissioned
Ogle	Not specified	Re-evaluation of plan every five years	To 4' below surface	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application; A WECS that is out of service for 1 year is abandoned
Peoria	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 6 months of EOPL	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application; the project is considered abandoned after a consecutive period of time not less than one year
Piatt	Not specified	Every five years	To 4' below surface	A WECS that is out of service for 270 days is abandoned; within 30 days of EOPL, the owner of a WECS must perform decommissioning or prove it is operating
Pike	At start of operations	Every five years	To 4' below surface	A WECS that is out of service for 1 year is abandoned
Rock Island	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface	A WECS that is out of service for 1 year is abandoned; within 8 months of EOPL, the owner of a WECS must perform decommissioning
Sangamon	Not specified	Not specified	To 5' below surface	A WECS that is out of service for 270 days is abandoned; within 30 days of EOPL, the owner of a WECS must perform decommissioning
Shelby	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface	Facilities must be properly decommissioned within 12 months of EOPL
Stark	10 years from start of operations	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 6 months of EOPL	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Stephenson	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Tazewell	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 6 months of EOPL	Facility abandonment shall mean a period of time not less than one year
Vermilion	Not specified	Not specified	To 3' below surface	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Warren	12 years from start of operations	Not specified	To 4' below surface	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Whiteside	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application
Will	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface	Site must be restored if project ceases operations or does not produce electricity in any 18 month period; restoration must occur within 180 days of EOPL
Winnebago	Not specified	After first full year, then every fifth year	To 4' below surface	Facility must be decommissioned within 1 year of EOPL, or if abandoned for 6 months
Woodford	Not specified	Not specified	To 4' below surface, within 6 months of EOPL	Decommissioning plan must be detailed in permit application

(6 & 7) See footnote on page 2. (8) See footnote on page 3.