

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §31-21-10

§31-21-10. Minimum standards for certified sites.

(a) The corporation shall establish minimum standards that a site must meet to be considered for certification. Minimum standards include, but are not limited to:

(1) Letter of support from a mayor, county commissioner, or county, regional, or municipal economic development official;

(2) Site ownership/control:

(A) Preliminary fifty-year title report and description of liens and encumbrances, unless the corporation determines a shorter period is adequate, or a longer period is necessary, to protect the corporation and a subsequent purchaser of the site;

(B) Letter from the property owner/option holder stating that the site is for sale/lease. If possible, proposed pricing or transactional requirements with a description of any on-site improvements, the current level of investment, and whether the property can be parceled;

(C) Acreage; and

(D) Full legal property description.

(3) Maps:

(A) ALTA map;

(B) Site map showing lot layout, transportation access, roads and likely access points;

(C) USGS topographical map; and

(D) Aerial map.

(4) Phase I environmental site assessment performed by a certified professional within the prior six months, and, if appropriate, any additional environmental site assessments performed by a certified professional within the prior six months. For any properties being remediated, documentation shall be provided about the status and cleanup objectives. For remediated sites, documentation shall be provided about liability protection.

(5) Wetland delineation demonstrating that impacts to waters of the state will be avoided or a mitigation plan approved by the DEP.

(6) Water and wastewater infrastructure to the property line with capacity clearly defined, or a demonstration of the ability to construct and pay for the infrastructure up to the

property line.

(7) Transportation infrastructure to the property line, including, but not limited to, the type of roads near the site and whether the roads are local, state or U. S. roads.

(8) Electric infrastructure to the property line with its capacity clearly identified.

(9) Natural gas infrastructure to the property line with its capacity clearly identified.

(10) Water infrastructure to the property line with its capacity clearly identified.

(11) Sewer infrastructure to the property line with its capacity clearly identified.

(12) Telecommunications and/or high speed communications infrastructure to the property line with its capacity clearly identified.

(b) The complete list of certified sites criteria shall be developed into a program application along with appropriate fees for participation as the certified sites program is implemented, and may be revised from time to time as warranted.