

Chapter 11. Public Conservation (PC)

SECTION 11.00 PURPOSE

State game lands play a critical role in providing wildlife habitats and outdoor resource-based recreation for residents in the Township. The Public Conservation District includes all land under state ownership that comprises the Flat River State Game Area (Flat River SGA). The Flat River State Game Area (SGA) is an important land use in the community, so it is the intent of this District to protect its unique natural features for current and future enjoyment of Township residents. To help preserve these features, this district limits development of buildings intended for human habitation and encourages natural open space preservation. It is further the intent of this district to discourage development that would degrade natural features and promote those which encourage sustainable use of natural resources and recreation.

SECTION 11.01 PERMITTED USES

The following uses are permitted by right:

- A. Accessory Buildings and Uses*
- B. Cemetery and/or Crematorium
- C. Public and Quasi-Public Uses
- D. Small Wind Energy System (SWES) pursuant to Chapter 26

All accessory buildings and uses in the Flat River SGA shall be permitted and approved by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

SECTION 11.02 SPECIAL LAND USES

The following uses are permitted with special land use approval:

- A. Large Wind Energy System (LWES) pursuant to Chapter 26
- B. Solar Energy Systems, pursuant to Chapter 27

SECTION 11.03 SITE DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

All permitted uses and special land uses are subject to the following site development requirements, which shall be met and maintained in connection with any building or structure, or the enlargement of any building or structure:

Table 11.1. Public Conservation District Regulations	
Dimensional Standard	PC District
Minimum Lot Area	N/A
Minimum Lot Width	N/A

Minimum Front Yard Setback	35 feet
Minimum Side Yard Setback (per side)	10 feet
Minimum Rear Yard Setback	40 feet
Maximum Building Height	35 feet
Maximum Lot Coverage	40%
Lot Depth to Width Ratio	4:1
Minimum Dwelling Floor Area (DFA)	N/A