

RESOLUTION 59-2025

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON WASHINGTON COUNTY'S PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS IN ALL UNINCORPORATED PORTIONS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY PENDING CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ZONING REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, on December 27, 2023, through Resolution 88-2023 the Board of County Commissioners imposed a temporary moratorium on the processing of applications for battery energy storage systems;

WHEREAS, the County has extended that temporary moratorium through several resolutions to June 30, 2026;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners desires to extend the temporary moratorium to complete the process to adopt regulations;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners incorporates the recitals of its legal authority to impose temporary moratoriums as described in Resolution 88-2023 and all subsequent resolutions extending the temporary moratorium into this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Board estimates that the time needed to complete its process concerning the battery energy storage system regulations is an additional seven (7) months from November 25, 2025.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, COLORADO:

1. This temporary moratorium shall take effect immediately. The County shall not accept, process, or approve any applications for uses of land that involve the development of battery energy storage systems, including without limitation special use permit applications and applications for right-of-way permits.
2. This temporary moratorium shall remain in place until June 30, 2026, unless terminated or extended.
3. County staff is hereby directed to work with the Washington County Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners to complete the regulation adoption process for battery energy storage systems sufficient to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

DATED this 25th day of November, 2025.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WASHINGTON COUNTY, COLORADO**

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Commissioner

Scott Ramsey
Commissioner



Annie Kuntz
Annie Kuntz, Clerk to the Board