

## Conditional Use Permits - Answer questions as they pertain to your request

**503.05 E.2. Review criteria for all conditional use permits.** In granting or renewing a conditional use permit, the Rice County Board of Commissioners shall consider the advice and recommendations of the Planning Commission and the effect of the proposed use upon the health, safety and general welfare of occupants of surrounding lands. Among other things, the following findings shall be made:

- a. **Burden on public facilities.** The use will not create an excessive burden on existing parks, schools, streets and other public facilities and utilities that serve or are proposed to serve the area.
- b. **Sewer and water.** The site is adequate for water supply and on-site sewage treatment.
- c. **Compatible with surrounding uses.** The use will be sufficiently compatible or separated by distance or screening from adjacent agricultural or residentially zoned or used land so that existing homes will not be depreciated in value and there will be no deterrence to development of vacant land.
- d. **Appearance.** The structure and site shall have an appearance that will not have an adverse effect upon adjacent residential properties.
- e. **County needs.** The use is reasonably related to the overall needs of the County and to the existing land use.
- f. **Zoning district purposes.** The use is consistent with the purposes of this Ordinance and the purposes of the zoning district in which the applicant intends to locate the proposed use.
- g. **Comprehensive Plan.** The use is in conformance with the Rice County Comprehensive Land Use Plan of the County.
- h. **Traffic.** The use will not cause traffic hazard or congestion.
- i. **Effect on businesses.** Existing businesses nearby will not be adversely affected because of curtailment of customer trade brought about by intrusion of noise, glare or general unsightliness.

**503.05 H.1 Additional criteria and conditions in Shoreland Districts.** Conditional uses allowed in Shoreland Districts shall be subject to the following additional information, evaluation criteria and conditions:  
**Additional evaluation criteria.** A thorough evaluation of the water body and the topographic, vegetation, and soils conditions on the site must be made to ensure all of the following:

- a. **Soil erosion.** The prevention of soil erosion or other possible pollution of public waters, both during and after construction.
- b. **Visual impact.** The visibility of structures and other facilities as viewed from public waters is limited
- c. **Watercraft.** The types, uses, and number of watercraft that the project will generate are compatible in relation to the suitability of public waters to safely accommodate these watercraft.