

WANT SOLAR?

FOLLOW THESE STEPS TO ENSURE A CORRECTLY INSTALLED SOLAR SYSTEM.



Reach out to us. We can help you think through important questions like: Should my solar array be ground or roof mounted? Would my solar project receive any shading? What types of incentives am I eligible for?



Contact local solar installation companies. Utility staff can help you find local contractors and review proposals. Sun Prairie Utilities does not endorse or partner with any specific solar installer. We work with installers to ensure all the necessary paperwork is completed prior to commissioning your solar equipment.



Select your contractor. We recommend getting at least three quotes to compare total costs and payback periods of different systems.



Complete required Public Service Commission documents. We can work with you and your contractor to ensure all proper paperwork is completed and submitted on time.



Obtain local permits. All solar arrays require a building permit, and some may require Plan Commission approval. Commercial roof top systems require a structural analysis. Contact the Utility office for information and paperwork.



Installation and inspection. Upon final installation of your solar equipment, a final inspection is required by our local building inspector and inspected by Sun Prairie Utilities prior to commissioning your solar equipment.



Net Energy Billing. Customers are metered and billed under a net energy basis. Sun Prairie Utilities uses a bi-directional meter that measures energy used and excess energy produced during the billing period. Excess energy from your solar panels not used in your home goes back to the electrical grid. If your solar PV system is under 20kW(AC) in size, any excess energy produced during the billing period will be purchased by Sun Prairie Utilities at the current retail rate and seen as a bill credit on your monthly bill.



At Sun Prairie Utilities, we join forces with other local not-for-profit utilities through WPPI Energy to share resources and lower costs.

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