



**GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO
REQUEST FOR BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION
FOR AN AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURE**

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SUBMIT ALL PERMIT PACKET INFORMATION TO PERMIT@GUNNISONCOUNTY.ORG

DATE RECEIVED BY PLANNING OFFICE: / /

APPLICATION NUMBER:

APPLICANT. (If the applicant is not the owner of the land, the applicant shall submit a notarized letter signed by the owner consenting to the submittal. Consent of the owner for submittal shall imply consent by the owner for the County to complete the review process.):

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
PHONE (day):	(evening):	
FAX:	E-MAIL ADDRESS:	

PROPERTY OWNER NAME:

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
PHONE (day):	(evening):	
FAX:	E-MAIL ADDRESS:	

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

1. Property Legal Description. Cite lot and block or tract numbers, mining claim or homestead references;

2. Property Address. Include parcel and account numbers if no assigned address.

3. Agricultural Operation. Please describe the agricultural operation on the subject parcel, and provide any documentation, as appropriate.

4. Proposed Structure. Please describe the proposed structure. Include the use of the structure, size, and any other pertinent details.

5. Please provide the following information on the proposed structure:

Will the structure be heated and/or have electricity? If so, have you applied for a State electrical permit? yes no

Will the structure have plumbing for water or sewer? If so, have you applied for a State Plumbing permit and OWTS permit? yes no

Is the structure more than one story? yes no

6. Site Plan. Please attach a site plan which outlines the location of the proposed structure on the subject property.

I/We, the undersigned, understand that approval of the building permit exemption is solely for the use of the structure as an agricultural structure, used in an agricultural operation, for the storage, repair, and maintenance of farm or ranch equipment and supplies, or for the raising and/or storage of crops and livestock associated with the agricultural operation on the property. No residential use of the structure is allowed, including, but not limited to the storage of boats, snowmobiles, recreational vehicles, or other residential vehicles; or other residential uses. Exempt agriculture structures shall meet all applicable requirements to the Gunnison County Land Use Resolution, including setback requirements.

(Owner)

(Owner)

(Owner)

(Owner)

Approved: _____

Date: _____

Gunnison County Board of Commissioners Resolution No. 22, 2023 recorded in the office of the Gunnison County Clerk and Recorder at Reception No. 694082 includes an exemption for the following: “No permit shall be required for non-residential buildings or portions of such buildings which are agricultural structures as defined in the Gunnison County Land Use Resolution and are part of an agricultural operation as defined in said Land Use Resolution.”

The Section 2-102: Definitions of the Gunnison County Land Use Resolution defines agricultural structure as:

“A structure located on a farm or ranch and used in an agricultural operation for the storage, repair, and maintenance of farm or ranch equipment and supplies, or for the raising and/or storage of crops and livestock. These include, but are not limited to, barns, corrals, silos, workshops, equipment sheds, greenhouses smaller than 2,500 sq. ft., storage and shelter structures. An agricultural structure does not include greenhouses that are 2,500 sq. ft. or larger, enclosed arenas or other enclosed areas when the activities that occur there provide services and/or goods to the general public on site.”

The Section 2-102: Definitions of the Gunnison County Land Use Resolution defines agricultural operation as:

“An activity that primarily involves agriculture as defined in this *Resolution*.”

The Section 2-102: Definitions of the Gunnison County Land Use Resolution defines agriculture as:

“The use of the land for the primary purpose of making a profit from farming or ranching as it may include:

- The production, cultivation, growing, and harvesting of plant crops, but not including the harvesting of trees unless incidental to other agricultural operations; or
- The raising and/or the breeding of livestock including horses, dairy and beef cattle, sheep, goats, fur-bearing animals, poultry and swine, so long as they are not large confined animal feeding operations (CAFO); or
- The production of nursery products and sod; and
- The harvesting, storage, grading, packaging, processing, distribution, and sale or trade of such commodities where such activities occur at the point of production.

It specifically does not include the uses, structures and retail services normally associated with kennels, veterinary hospitals, the commercial slaughter of animals or commercial riding stables. For purposes of this *Resolution*, classification of the use of the property by the Gunnison County Assessor’s Office is not definitive or binding for purposes of this definition, nor shall the existence of a conservation easement on the property otherwise defined as agricultural affect that definition.