



**MORGAN COUNTY**  
**PLANNING, ZONING & BUILDING DEPT.**  
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**Permit #** \_\_\_\_\_

## APPLICATION FOR SIGN PLACEMENT PERMIT

### APPLICANT

### LANDOWNER

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Address of property or general location \_\_\_\_\_ Zone District \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor \_\_\_\_\_ License Number \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Size of property (Sq.Ft. or Acres) \_\_\_\_\_ Cost of Project \_\_\_\_\_ Present Use of Property \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Legal Description of property. If not enough space, attach to application and label "Exhibit 2". \_\_\_\_\_

Sign Size: Width: \_\_\_\_\_ Length: \_\_\_\_\_ Top Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Sign face Square Footage \_\_\_\_\_  Single-Sided  Double-Sided

Type of Sign:  Monument  Wall  Large Sign (billboard)  Electronic Message Board  Temporary

Illuminated:  Internal  External (indirect)

### APPLICANT'S STATEMENT

Signing this application gives the Building Inspector and/or his agent express permission to enter permitted property for the purpose of conducting inspections as required by the Morgan County Zoning Regulations and Morgan County Building Code. *Sign Code can be found on the Morgan County website, Planning & Zoning tab, The Planning Process, Morgan County Zoning Regulations, S Appendix, page S-1 (pg 190).*

I certify that the information and exhibits I have submitted are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Application must be signed by *landowner*.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Landowner*

**STAFF USE ONLY:**  
 Date Application Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Received By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fee Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_ Pd By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Property Taxes: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parcel #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Notes: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
**PERMIT FOR USE AS SET FORTH IS HEREBY (GRANTED) (DENIED)**  
 Planning Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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**SIGN PLACEMENT ATTACHMENT LIST**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit A: Lease agreement or other form of agreement with landowners to authorize placement of off-site signage.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit B: A rendering of the sign and sign message, showing outside dimensions, total surface area for all signs, letter sizes, colors, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit C: A site plan showing location, setbacks, height, and distances to principal use for off-site signs.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit D: A site plan showing parcel size, location, setbacks, height, and distances for all on-site signs. Include any existing signs. Indicate replacements, signs to remain and new signage.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit E: A rendering of building elevations for wall signs showing building and signage heights.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit F: Copies of state permits where required.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit G: Right to Farm Policy
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit H: Non-refundable application fee of **\$75.00**.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit I: Additional information as required by staff.

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**SET BACKS**

For Zone: \_\_\_\_\_ Front: \_\_\_\_\_

*To be considered a complete permit, all 3 pages need to be returned.*

\* Property taxes must be current at the time of processing.



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## **MORGAN COUNTY RIGHT TO FARM POLICY / NOTICE**

Morgan County is one of the most productive agricultural counties in Colorado. Ranching, farming, animal feeding, and all other manner of agricultural activities and operations in Morgan County are integral and necessary elements of the continued vitality of the county's economy, culture, landscape and lifestyle. Morgan County specifically recognizes the importance of agricultural operations as necessary and worthy of recognition and protection.

Landowners, residents and visitors must be prepared to accept as normal the effects of agriculture and rural living. These may include noise from tractors, equipment, and aerial spraying sometimes at night or in the early morning; dust from animal pens, field work, harvesting, and gravel roads; odor from animal confinement operations, silage and manure; smoke from ditch burning; flies and mosquitoes; the use of pesticides and fertilizers, including aerial spraying; and movement of livestock or machinery on public roads. Under the provisions of the State of Colorado's "Right to Farm" law (Section 35-3.5-101 and following, C.R.S.), all normal and non-negligent agricultural operations may not be considered nuisances.

Also public services in a rural area are not at the same level as in an urban or suburban setting. Road maintenance may be at a lower level, mail delivery may not be as frequent, utility services may be nonexistent or subject to interruption, law enforcement, fire protection and ambulance service will have considerably longer response times, snow may not be removed from county roads for several days after a major snow storm. First priority for snow removal is that school bus routes are normally cleared first.

Children are exposed to different hazards in a rural setting than they are in an urban or suburban area. Farm and oilfield equipment, ponds, and irrigation ditches, electrical service to pumps and oil field operations, high speed traffic, noxious weeds, livestock, and territorial farm dogs may present real threats to children. It is necessary that children's activities be properly supervised for both the protection of the children and protection of the farmer's livelihood.

All rural residents and property owners are encouraged to learn about their rights and responsibilities and to act as good neighbors and citizens of Morgan County. This includes but is not limited to obligations under Colorado State law and Morgan County Zoning Regulations regarding maintenance of fences, controlling weeds, keeping livestock and pets under control. There may be provisions of which you are unaware. For example, because Colorado is a Fence Law State, owners of property may be required to fence livestock out.

Information regarding these topics may be obtained from the Colorado State University Cooperative Extension Office, the County Planning and Zoning Department, and the County Attorney.

### **RECEIPT AND STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING**

I hereby certify that I have received, read, and understood the Morgan County Statement of Policy and Notice regarding Right to Farm.

I further state that I am aware that the conditions of living in an unincorporated area are different than living in a town or city and that the responsibilities of rural residents are different from urban or suburban residents. I understand that under Colorado law that a pre-existing, non-negligent agricultural operation may not be considered a public or private nuisance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature Date

***To Be Signed by Landowner***

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Address