

FAQ for Planning Department

Q: Can I develop on a half-acre?

A: Yes, but there are some differences when developing on half an acre, as opposed to a full acre. The State of NM will permit a septic for a half-acre, but it must be an Advanced Liquid Waste Septic System. On 3/4 of an acre, or larger, a person can get permitted to install a conventional septic system. For more information, visit the NMED website.

Q: How can I apply for an address for my property?

A: You can apply for an address for your property through the Luna County Planning Department. Since the County only addresses properties which will be developed, or are currently being developed, utilities (utility permits) are required.

- Septic or Septic Permit through the NM State Environmental Department
- Well or Well Permit through the NM State Engineers Office
- Electricity or receipt from a licensed electrician, who will be installing the drop pole on the property.
- Solar or Wind Turbine are also approved forms of electricity, given engineered plans are approved.

Q: Is there Zoning within Luna County?

A: No, there is no Zoning within county limits. Check with the City of Deming for questions regarding Zoning within the City Limits. Check with the clerk's office on regulations for subdivisions.

Q: Can I split out part of my land to give to my children/family member?

A: We have Claim of Exemption Applications available to the public in the Luna County Planning Department, and on our website, (the applications have a list of regulations required to be met for approval).

Q: Can I stay on my property in an RV?

A: The Luna County Planning Department has two types of Free RV Permits, available to property owners.

--The first is a 30-day, Dry Camping Permit. Required documents are:

Property Deed, for proof of ownership.

RV Identification.

--The second permit available is for 240 days. Required documents are:

Property Deed, for proof of ownership.

RV Identification.

On site utilities (Septic, Well and Electricity or permits/letter for each)

- RV's cannot be used as a permanent form of residence outside of an approved RV Park in Luna County.