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Wind energy development can create new revenue in the form of construction jobs and land-lease payments for rural communities, but it also creates a new responsibility on the part of local governments to regulate wind turbine

installations through ordinances. Wind Powering America maintains a database of state and local ordinances that policymakers can utilize when drafting new guidelines.

Visit our website to view the database and learn more about how ordinances address:

- Public safety
- Land use
- Noise standards
- Shadow flicker
- Other possible development impacts.

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