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Data Centers Are Coming to Will, DuPage & Grundy Counties

What we know, what we don't, and how to be heard before the vote

The bottom line

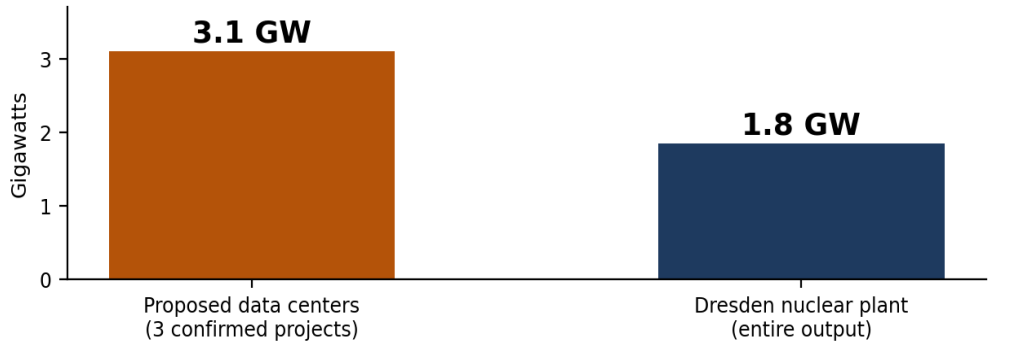
• **~3.1 gigawatts** of data-center power is proposed across our three counties — **more than the entire Dresden nuclear plant produces.**

• **"They provide their own power" is false.** Filings show they draw from the **ComEd grid** — already forecast to run short by 2029. Data centers drove **~70% of this year's regional electricity-cost increase.**

• **"They pay for their own water" is unproven.** Illinois has **no law** requiring them to even report water use — on an aquifer already so drained that six suburbs are building a **$1.5 billion Lake Michigan pipeline.**

• **Your one moment of leverage is BEFORE the project is approved.**

How much power? Proposed data centers vs. the nuclear plant next door



Three confirmed projects would need ~1.7× the entire output of the Dresden nuclear station. That is why "they bring their own power" does not add up.

What to ask for — in writing

- Binding **caps** on power (MW) and water (gallons/day)
- **Closed-loop / air cooling** required (no evaporative)
- **Quarterly water-use reports** to the state
- A ComEd **"capacity assurance"** against rate hikes
- A **decommissioning bond** (no abandoned sites)
- **Disclosure of the end tenant**

Who decides — and how to be heard

- **City / village site** (Joliet, Morris, Coal City): **Plan Commission** hearing, then **Mayor + City Council / Village Board** vote.
- **Unincorporated county land: Zoning Board of Appeals** hearing, then **County Board** vote — contact your County Board member.
- **Find hearing dates & your rep:** call the county/village clerk or Planning & Zoning — Will Co. Land Use; Grundy Co. P&Z (grundycountyil.gov); DuPage Building & Zoning (dupagecounty.gov).

Attend the hearing. Speak up before the vote. Share this with neighbors.

Read the full sourced report and learn more at **fleminganalytic.com**

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