

Cypress County, Alberta

(2) Installed capacity: 150 MW

Estimated commercial operation: 2025

Generation will be equivalent to the average consumption of more than **45,000 Alberta homes**.¹

Blue Bridge Solar Park will be located in Cypress County, Alberta, south of where the South Saskatchewan River crosses from Alberta into Saskatchewan. Cypress County is one of Canada's sunniest counties with an average of 300 sunny days per year. Blue Bridge Solar Park will complement the area's landscape while harnessing the region's abundant sun.



Economic benefits



\$290 millionCAPITAL INVESTMENT²



Millions of dollars
WILL BE PAID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS



\$32.2 millionWILL BE PAID TO LANDOWNERS



Millions of dollars
WILL BE SPENT LOCALLY



PERMANENT JOBS³ **5 jobs will be created**



CONSTRUCTION JOBS³ **350 jobs will be created**

Energy security

Power generated at Blue Bridge will support the state of Alberta's electric grid. The solar park will also contribute to the **national energy security for Canada**, helping diversify domestic supply.

Solar as a neighbor

Solar projects are essentially silent neighbors designed to capture light while not producing glare, and the vegetation maintained beneath the panels helps mitigate the possibility of heat increases.⁴

Solar panel technology

EDPR NA's solar panels are made up of a thin layer of solar PV cells sealed on both sides. Panels contain no liquids or materials that pose a risk to the environment or human health.

Blue Bridge's environmental impact

The solar park will save more than 721 million litres of water each year and will prevent the air pollution that causes smog and acid rain.5

EDPR NA's impact in North America from solar energy⁶





\$41.8 million

PAID TO **LANDOWNERS**



\$16 million

PAID TO LOCAL **GOVERNMENTS**



4.400

CONSTRUCTION JOBS CREATED



100

PERMANENT JOBS CREATED



How solar energy works

EDPR NA uses photovoltaic (PV) solar cells. Photovoltaic solar cells have no moving parts and convert sunlight directly into electricity via the photoelectric effect. This direct-current electricity is then collected, transformed into alternating current, and finally put on the electrical grid through a substation after being converted to the proper voltage.

Power grid



Solar is one of the cheapest forms of energy.7

The cost of solar has fallen 71% in 10 years.8

Local experience with EDPR NA

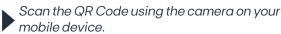


EDPR has been very good to work with. Overall it's been very positive. We've had nothing but good rapport.





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- 1 Power generation calculated using a 25% capacity factor. Household consumption based on the 2023 EIA Household Data monthly average consumption by state.
- ² Assumes utility fixed-tilt projects are \$1.02/Wdc, and single-axis tracking projects are \$1.11/Wdc. Based on Q3 2023 SEIA U.S. Solar Market Insight.
- ³Full-time equivalent jobs calculated by dividing number of contractor hours worked during construction by 2080.
- ⁴American Clean Power Association, Solar as a neighbor, 2021.
- ⁵ Assumes 0.58 gallons of water consumed per kWh of conventional electricity from Lee, Han, & Elgowainy, 2016.
- ⁶Based on EDP Renewables North America's Operational Solar Parks through 2024.
- 7Lazard's Levelized Cost of Energy 2024 (version 17.0)
- ⁸Based on American Clean Power Associations Annual Market Report, 2023.

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