

# Flatland Energy Storage Project

Pinal County, Arizona

Installed capacity: 200 MW/800 MW

- 🚊 Estimated commercial operation: **2025**
- Installed capacity will be equivalent to the average consumption of more than **22,900 Arizona homes**.<sup>1</sup>

The Flatland Energy Storage Project is located in south-central Arizona in the city of Coolidge. The project is located within the Brittlebush Solar Park. The project will yield economic benefits to the community in the form of payments to local government, local spending, and annual community investment.



### Economic benefits

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CAPITAL INVESTMENT<sup>2</sup> **\$271 million** 

PERMANENT JOBS 2 jobs will be created<sup>3</sup>



### **\$7 million** WILL BE PAID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS



Millions of dollars WILL BE SPENT LOCALLY



CONSTRUCTION JOBS 60 jobs will be created<sup>3</sup>

### **Energy security**

Power generated at Flatland will support the state of Arizona's electric grid. The energy storage project will also contribute to the **national energy security for the United States**, helping add on-demand power.

## Environment and energy storage

Energy storage facilities are designed to not release pollutants into the air, soil, or waterways. Like batteries used in handheld devices, lithium-ion batteries do not emit electromagnetic fields or contain radioactive materials.

### Energy storage safety

Between cell phones, laptops, and power tools, many people have a lithium-ion battery in their pockets or hands at all times. Additionally, energy storage fires are very rare and their rate of frequency is decreasing. Energy storage sites are also highly regulated to ensure safety for neighbors, communities, and technicians.

# Flatland's environmental impact

The energy storage project will save more than **169 million gallons** of water each year and would prevent the air pollution that causes smog and acid rain.<sup>4</sup>



### How is energy storage useful?

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Reduces outages & enhances resilience



Reduces costs and saves money

Builds a stronger, more efficient grid



Supports local economies



### How energy storage works

The most common electrochemical storage method is the lithium-ion battery. These are similar to the batteries that power your cell phones, or laptops. Energy storage systems are fuel-neutral. This means that they can capture and dispense electricity from oil, gas, coal, nuclear, geothermal, and EDP Renewables North America's wind and solar energy projects.



Energy storage enhances reliability, reduces costs, and increases grid resilience.

### **Grid stability**

Energy storage systems allow excess energy, from power plants or the grid, to be stored during off-peak times, and used during times of high demand, including during extreme weather when power generation is limited. Keeping the power on, air-conditioning or heating systems operating, medical systems functioning, and other critical infrastructure working, will help keep people safe and healthy during otherwise vulnerable circumstances.

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<sup>1</sup>The cost and performance of the battery systems are based on an assumption of approximately one cycle per day. Therefore, a 4-hour device has an expected capacity factor of 16.7% (4/24 = 0.167). Household consumption based on 2023 EIA Household Data monthly average consumption by state. This assumes that all energy is stored from a renewable source and discharged at the grid average.

<sup>2</sup> Assumes the average cost of an installed solar photovoltaic system is \$0.345/watt for a utility-scale project. Based on 2021 National Renewable Energy Laboratory Report.

<sup>3</sup>Full-time equivalent jobs calculated by dividing number of contractor hours worked during construction by 2080.

<sup>4</sup>Assumes 0.58 gallons of water consumed per kWh of conventional electricity from Lee, Han, & Elgowainy, 2016. This assumes that all energy is stored from a renewable source and discharged at the grid average.

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