

# **Ragsdale Solar Park**

Madison County, Mississippi

- 🖗 Installed capacity: 100 MW
- 요 Online since: **2024**
- Generation will be equivalent to the average consumption of more than **15,700 Mississippi homes**.<sup>1</sup>

Ragsdale Solar Park is located south of Canton, Mississippi, and only a short drive away from the Natchez Trace Parkway, Ross R. Barnett Reservoir, and the Pearl River. The project will provide power directly into Entergy Mississippi's transmission system as well as provide economic benefits to the surrounding community. The logo for the project is a guitar pick to commemorate Canton's rich musical history and proximity to the Mississippi Blues Trail.



## Economic benefits

179

**\$50 million** TOTAL PROJECT IMPACT<sup>2</sup>



**\$15 + million** WILL BE PAID TO LANDOWNERS



PERMANENT JOBS<sup>3</sup> **3 jobs created** 



**\$34.6 million** WILL BE PAID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS



**\$2+ million** WILL BE SPENT LOCALLY



CONSTRUCTION JOBS<sup>3</sup> 100+ jobs created

## **Energy security**

Power generated at Ragsdale supports the state of Mississippi's electric grid. The solar park also contributes to the **national energy security for the United States**, 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.<sup>4</sup>

## 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.

## Ragsdale's environmental impact

The solar park saves more than 127 million gallons of water each year and would prevent the air pollution that causes smog and acid rain.<sup>5</sup>





### \$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**



## Local experience with EDPR NA

In terms of what you can do with your land, I think clean power is a very attractive option. It's really neat to put something like food on the table for the American people, as well as power in the homes of people in these local communities."



Joe R. Jr., Business owner, Ohio

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Power generation calculated using a 25% capacity factor. Household consumption based on the 2023 EIA Household Data monthly average consumption by state. <sup>2</sup>Includes vendor spending, property taxes, and landowner payments through 2024.

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

<sup>4</sup>American Clean Power Association, Solar as a neighbor, 2021

<sup>5</sup>Assumes 0.58 gallons of water consumed per kWh of conventional electricity from Lee, Han, & Elgowainy, 2016.

<sup>6</sup>Based on EDP Renewables North America's Operational Solar Parks through 2024.

Lazard's Levelized Cost of Energy 2024 (version 17.0)

<sup>8</sup>Based on American Clean Power Associations Annual Market Report, 2023.

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