# **Azalea Springs Solar Park**

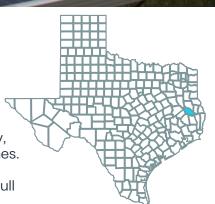
Angelina County, Texas

Installed capacity: 180 MW

Estimated commercial operation date: 2025

Generation will be equivalent to the average consumption of more than **27,000 Texas homes**.<sup>1</sup>

Azalea Springs Solar Park is located in the northwest corner of Angelina County, Texas, about 10 miles northwest of Lufkin and 17 miles southwest of Nacogdoches. The solar park is sited on land that was primarily used as a timber site. Azalea Springs Solar Park is commencing construction activities and intends to reach full operations in 2025.



# Economic benefits



CAPITAL INVESTMENT<sup>2</sup>
Approximately \$300+ million



Approximately \$42+ million WILL BE PAID TO LOCAL



**Millions of dollars** WILL BE PAID TO LANDOWNERS



Millions of dollars
WILL BE SPENT LOCALLY

**GOVERNMENTS** 



PERMANENT JOBS<sup>3</sup>

3+ jobs would be created



CONSTRUCTION JOBS<sup>3</sup>

Approximately 300 jobs would be created

### **Energy security**

Power generated at Azalea Springs will support the state of Texas' electric grid. The solar park will also contribute 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.

# **Azalea Springs'** environmental impact

The solar park will save more than 228 million gallons 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 energy<sup>6</sup>





\$41.8 million PAID TO **LANDOWNERS** 







4.400

CONSTRUCTION **JOBS CREATED** 



100

**PERMANENT** JOBS CREATED





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.



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

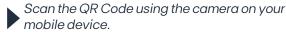


Money isn't everything, but it takes money to make the world go 'round. The community from construction time, the little grocery stores, the tire shops, mechanic shops, gravel truck guys...they all get a little job out of it. And that's just where the money begins. The schools get big money out of it. It's for more than just us landowners, it's for the whole community.



Leo L., landowner, Texas

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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.
- <sup>2</sup>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.
- <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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