

MCHENRY COUNTY SOLAR PROJECT

The Benefits of Going Solar in McHenry County:

Overall Benefits

- ✓ **Clean Energy** – The project will generate emission-free electricity for McHenry County.
- ✓ **Stable Energy Prices** – Solar has zero fuel costs, protecting consumers from energy price hikes.
- ✓ **Grid Reliability** – The project will diversify and decentralize the nation's power grid, increasing stability.

Environmental Impacts

- ✓ **Eco-Friendly** – The project is non-toxic to wildlife, plants, soil, and groundwater.
- ✓ **Cleaner Air** – Solar energy will prevent CO₂ emissions, improving air quality and reducing climate impact.
- ✓ **Water Conservation** – The project requires minimal water usage during construction and operations.

Job Creation

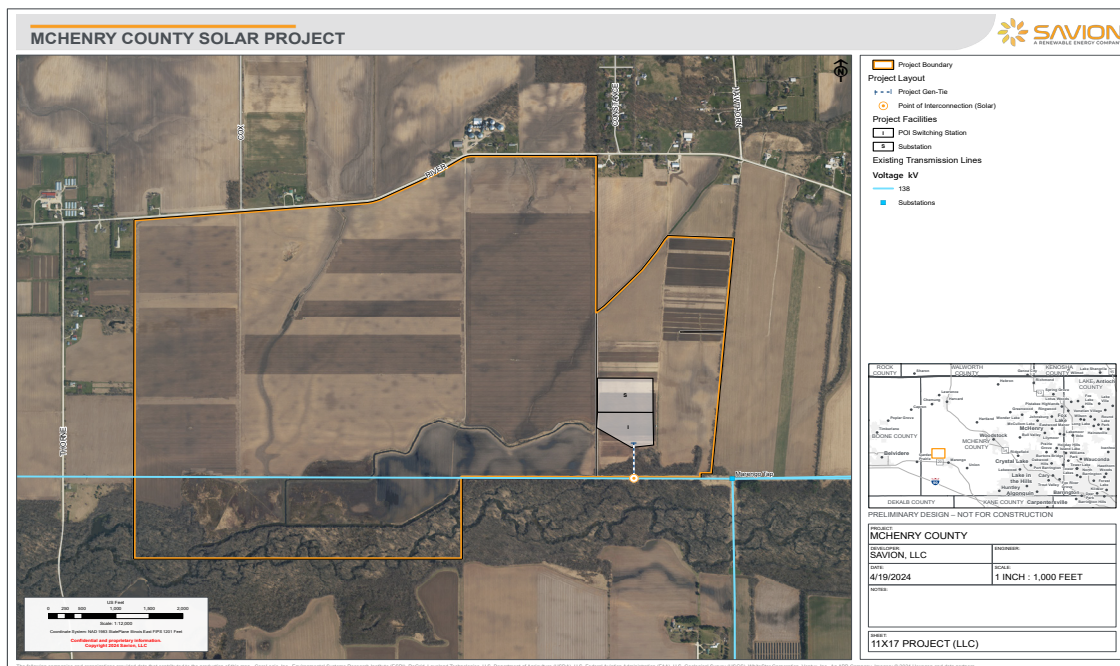
- ✓ **173 local jobs** in construction, management, and engineering.
- ✓ **405 additional jobs** created across Illinois
- ✓ **10 long-term operational jobs** for ongoing site management.

Economic Contributions

- ✓ **\$12.5 million+** in local earnings during construction.
- ✓ **\$625,000+** annually in new local earnings.
- ✓ **Over \$14.9 million** contributed to the local economy throughout the project's lifespan.

Benefits to Local Institutions:

- **Schools:** Over \$9.7 million for local school districts.
- **Community College:** \$600,000+ in funding.
- **Fire Department:** over \$1.4 million to enhance fire services.
- **Road Infrastructure:** \$600,000+ invested in local roads.
- **Library:** \$300,000+ in funding for community libraries.
- **County Government:** over \$1.4 million in additional revenue.
- **Township Funding:** \$300,000+ to support township operations.





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Opportunity for McHenry County

McHenry County Solar Project is a 100 MW solar facility in McHenry County, IL. Situated on 1,000 acres of private land northwest of the town of Marengo and near existing transmission lines, the location is highly suitable for a solar energy project.

McHenry County Solar Project offers long-term local and state tax revenue for schools, government services, and public infrastructure. Power from the project will feed into the local electrical grid, helping diversify Illinois' energy portfolio. Solar power is one of the most cost-effective sources of electricity available today, and its ability to generate power at peak times helps reduce electricity costs for all consumers.

In addition to creating direct and indirect jobs during construction and operations, McHenry County Solar Project will create opportunities in McHenry County for companies seeking to open new locations in areas with access to renewable power.