

# **CACTUS FLOWER SOLAR**

Local Benefits for Pinal County and Eloy, AZ

A 208MW site with a 80MW BESS developed by Cypress Creek

# Community & Environmental Benefits

- · Cactus Flower Solar will use minimal amounts of water and have zero carbon emissions during operation while still creating significant economic benefits for the area.
- The current landscape will be preserved through minimal grading, and the site could be returned to farming after decommissioning, if desired by landowners.
- Cypress Creek strives to create a positive impact in the communities where we develop and operate through scholarships, sponsorships, and workforce development initiatives. To date, Cypress Creek has contributed tens of thousands of dollars toward Pinal County nonprofits and students, and we expect our involvement in the community to grow as the project advances.
- The project will create low-growing native plant vegetation communities, compatible with Sonoran Desert species, providing a potential habitat and food source for wildlife.

## Positive Economic Impact

- The project will generate millions in local property tax revenue over its lifespan for Pinal County, AZ. Early tax estimates indicate a potential annual average payment of up to \$70-80 million. (subject to final project size and construction cost).
- Cactus Flower Solar is expected to create more than 400 construction jobs, using local contractors where feasible, as well as additional permanent positions.
- · Cactus Flower Solar will generate millions of dollars in new economic activity for the area providing increased activity for hotels, restaurants, and retail as well as contracting opportunities for local small businesses.



Located in Pinal County, AZ approximately 8 miles south of Eloy



270MW Solar + 270MW **BESS** (Battery Energy Storage System)



Capable of powering 46,000 single-family homes annually



400+ solar jobs during construction



**\$70-80 million** in tax revenue for Pinal County over the life of the project



## **Questions, Comments, Inquiries?**

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# CACTUS FLOWER SOLAR | FAQ

#### Why Solar?

Solar is a low-impact, domestic electricity source. Many companies moving to Arizona are demanding a percentage of their electricity comes from clean energy resources. Also, Arizona's growing population requires that utilities seek a more diverse energy portfolio.

#### Why was the location chosen?

The location chosen for Cactus Flower Solar offers ideal proximity to transmission infrastructure and availability of flat land. The site is part of unincorporated Pinal County approximately 8 miles south of the City of Eloy, which city officials have identified as ideal for solar development.

#### What is the permitting process?

Cactus Flower Solar received approval for a Major Comprehensive Plan Amendment through Pinal County in October 2024. The project has since submitted a zoning application to Pinal County that will require an additional public hearing in 2025. In December 2025, Cactus Flower Solar will undergo one additional public hearing as part of the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility process with the Arizona Corporation Commission.

# Is solar equipment safe for people and the environment?

Our solar equipment meets the highest national standards (ANSI and UL) and does not affect the atmosphere, soil, or groundwater. The Cactus Flower Solar facility will be remotely monitored 24/7, with local technicians to manage maintenance and emergency response. In addition, we will take great care to mitigate any impact to the environment. Third-party studies have been completed

to understand the needs of local wildlife and plants, and the results have been incorporated into project micrositing and comprehensive permitting applications.

#### Will property values be impacted?

Numerous property studies by appraisers throughout the nation have found that solar does not create a negative impact on surrounding property values.

# Will Cactus Flower Solar benefit the community?

The project will require few government services while providing an important source of new tax revenue. Cactus Flower is estimated to create approximately 400 full-time jobs during construction and additional permanent positions.

Cypress Creek Renewables strives to support community initiatives such as scholarships and workforce development programs in the areas where it operates – and we intend to continue these efforts in Pinal County.

# What happens at the end of the project's lifespan and who is responsible for decommissioning?

At the end of the project's life, Cypress Creek will remove all equipment and panels and will be responsible for any associated costs. All equipment, conduits, structures, and foundations will be removed to a depth of at least three feet below grade, fencing will be removed, and the land will be maintained and returned to its natural state. Our approach to project siting involves extensive screening to ensure we are leaving the smallest mark possible.



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