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Small-scale solar energy in the wild



Overview

This document contains a full list of the primary sources referenced in the Renewable Energy Wildlife Institute's Solar Energy Interactions with Wildlife and their Habitats, which summarizes publicly available information about the adverse impacts of ground-mounted solar photovoltaic power on wildlife in North America and the status of our knowledge regarding how to avoid or minimize these impacts. How does solar energy benefit wildlife?

Climate change mitigation. Solar energy development benefits wildlife by mitigating climate change, which is a major threat to wildlife and wildlife habitat. Research areas of interest include:.

How can solar energy help native wildlife communities?

On-site plant and animal habitat. Solar energy facilities can implement strategies to manage on-site habitat for the benefit of native wildlife communities (e.g., seeding with native plants). Research areas of interest include:.

How does solar development affect wildlife connectivity?

The extent to which habitat loss and fragmentation from solar development has already occurred and its impacts on habitat connectivity. The efficacy of wildlife corridors and wildlife-friendly fencing in mitigating adverse impacts from habitat loss and fragmentation.

Do non-traditional solar projects face wildlife challenges?

Respondents pointed out that facilities developed using non-traditional strategies still face a lot of the same wildlife challenges faced by traditional PV development (further detailed in Question 1.1, Question 4.2, and Appendix A), including concerns about collisions with solar energy infrastructure.

How does solar development affect species?

Pollinators that can interact with the vegetation at a solar site. The potential

impacts of solar development on species were described by respondents as habitat loss, habitat fragmentation, habitat degradation, and collision risk.

Do solar panels pose a risk to wildlife?

Collisions with supporting infrastructure. The various structures needed to operate a solar energy facility (e.g., PV panels, overhead transmission lines, CSP towers) have the potential to pose a collision risk to wildlife, which may lead to injuries or fatalities. Research areas of interest include:

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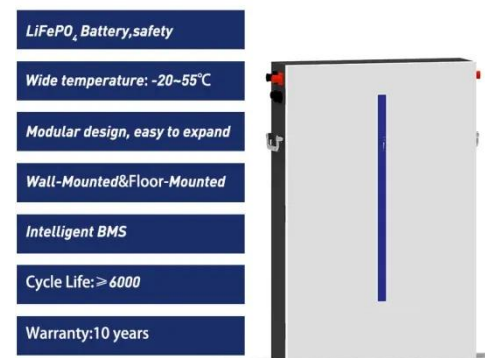
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The Society for Conservation Biology

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Solar farms and biodiversity: How clean energy ...

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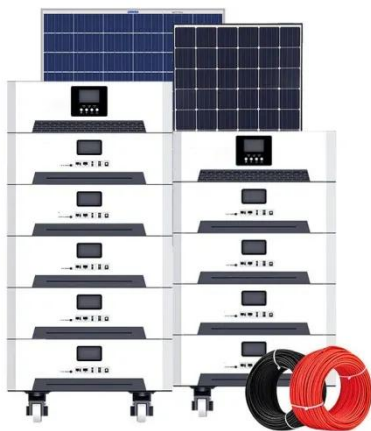
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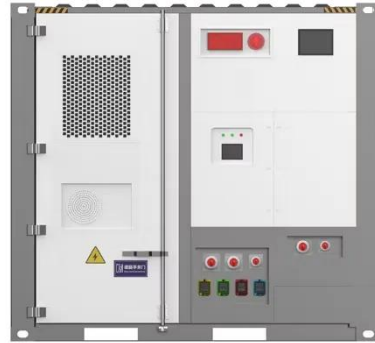
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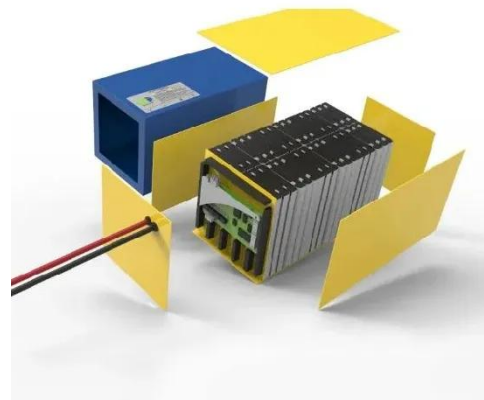
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A Decade of U.S. Solar Growth

Apr 3, 2024 · The U.S. produced 16% more solar power in 2023 than in 2022. About 31% of all solar power in 2023 came from small-scale solar installations.

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USGS research on the effects of renewable ...

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