



# RESPONSIBLY MAKING LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS IN MONTEZUMA COUNTY

The Valley Range Energy Park project is a 125MW solar energy generation facility collocated with a 62.5 MWac Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) being developed and planned in the unincorporated area of Montezuma County. Valley Range Energy Park has the potential to deliver a significant investment in Montezuma County and provide long-term benefits, including curbing annual energy cost increases, new local jobs, increased tax revenue to support essential services, community partnerships, lowering greenhouse gas emissions and enhanced grid reliability.

## **PROJECT PURPOSE**

Valley Range Energy Park is being developed to provide a resilient, clean and cost-effective solution to an increasing demand for reliable domestic energy. The Project will generate cost-effective solar electricity and store low-cost grid energy to be discharged when prices are otherwise high, helping to optimize the existing system and reduce costs for families and businesses. The Project will assist in building on a strong track record of serving local energy customers safely, reliably, and affordably. In addition, the Project directly supports both Colorado's energy goals and Montezuma County's Resolution # 2-2015.



#### **PROJECT BENEFITS**

- Increase & Diversify Tax Revenue: Valley Range Energy Park will generate a minimum of \$15.5 million in tax revenue over its lifespan, fostering economic growth in Montezuma County.
- Boosting the Local Workforce: The Project will support an estimated 157 local jobs during construction and 14 local jobs during operations.
- Lower Energy Costs: The Project will generate cost-effective solar electricity and store low-cost grid energy to be discharged when prices are otherwise high, helping to reduce costs for families and businesses.
- Delivering Reliable Domestic Energy: Providing power during periods of high transmission congestion, ensuring that families and businesses have dependable power when it is needed most.
- National Energy Security: As foreign countries ramp up to lead the next
  wave of technology and manufacturing, the U.S. grid urgently needs
  energy storage to stay in the race and establish energy security and
  dominance.
- Environmental Improvements: Valley Range Energy Park will deliver improved air and environmental quality by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants.



### **COMMUNITY BENEFITS**

- ✓ **Community Giving Program:** During the permitting and construction phases, Valley Range Energy Park will contribute \$5,000 per quarter to local Community-Based Organizations supporting key initiatives such as environmental restoration, agricultural preservation, energy relief, and human services. Once operational, these funds will transition to support a scholarship program for local post-secondary education students, with an emphasis on those pursuing STEM fields.
- ✓ Hands-On Learning Opportunities: Through partnerships with local schools, Valley Range Energy Park will help students gain valuable experience in renewable energy technologies, preparing them for the energy jobs of tomorrow.
- ✓ Prioritize Local Engagement: Valley Range Energy Park is committed to providing avenues for meaningful involvement in project planning and execution.
- ✓ **Good Neighbor:** Valley Range Energy Park is a largely self-sufficient facility and potential impacts to public services and facilities will be minor and will primarily occur during the construction period.



## **PROJECT STATUS**

Construction is anticipated to begin as early as 2027, with operations scheduled to commence as early as December 2028. Valley Range Energy Park is currently moving through the entitlement and compliance phase with various stakeholders and rights holders. Valley Range Energy Park is committed to keeping the community updated as the project advances.

We look forward to demonstrating our level of quality to you. For more information, visit www.ValleyRangeEP.com or contact us at info@valleyrangeep.com.

