



Butterfly Meadows Energy

Project Introduction, August 2026



Butterfly Meadows Energy is comprised of a 300 MW solar facility and up to 400 MW battery energy storage system (BESS) being planned in Van Wert County, Ohio.

The project is northwest of the industrial complex north of Van Wert city and outside city limits. It will feature multi-use agrivoltaic land practices by combining agriculture, grazing, pollination and power generation for maximum use of the land.



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ESTIMATED TAX REVENUE

- In excess of \$35M in property tax revenue from Butterfly Meadows Energy*
- Butterfly Meadows Energy will generate power for up to 35 years, providing long-term benefits for the surrounding region. Annual Tax payments will be made to Van Wert County for the lifetime of the project.
- Increase in real property tax revenue due to higher assessed land value.
- Increased business personal property tax revenue assessed on the equipment.

**Estimated tax revenues are based on a 35-year project life for solar portion of the project only.*



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LAND STEWARDSHIP

- Land ownership by local Van Wert farm families and City of Van Wert.
- Dual – Use Agrivoltaics Practice
 - ✓ Sheep grazing will be utilized to maintain on-site vegetation, increasing the health of the soil while diversifying farm revenues and bringing local meat products to market.
 - ✓ The project will host bee hives for local honey production increasing biodiversity and pollination of local crops, farms and gardens in a several mile radius around the project. Bee keeping will provide opportunities for veterans via a partnership with Hives for Heroes.
- A funded decommissioning plan ensures the property can be returned to productive agricultural use at the end of the project's life.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- Emergency response plans will be developed with Van Wert County Emergency Management and first responders serving Hoaglin, Union and Pleasant townships before operations begin.
- Designed to meet or exceed all Ohio Power Siting Board safety and setback requirements.
- Secure facility with controlled access, perimeter fencing and 24/7 remote monitoring.
- Site design includes setbacks, vegetative screening and dedicated emergency access.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

- Generates long-term, “recession-proof” tax revenue for Van Wert County, local schools and townships.
- Creates construction jobs and contracting opportunities while supporting local businesses, restaurants and service providers.
- Provides stable lease income to local landowners while preserving family farms and agricultural heritage.
- Expands local agricultural opportunities through sheep grazing and agrivoltaics, creating new markets for area producers.

PROJECT TIMELINE

July - August	Late 2026- Early 2027	Early 2028	Mid-Late 2029	35+ Years
Community Engagement Meet with stakeholders, gather feedback and continue project refinement.	Permitting & Review Ohio Power Siting Board review, environmental studies and public hearings.	Construction Begins Hundreds of construction jobs and opportunities for local businesses.	Operations Begin Project begins generating enough electricity to power approximately 67,000 homes while delivering local tax revenue.	Long-Term Community Benefits Over \$40 million in local tax revenue, continued agricultural use through sheep grazing, scholarship program and community investment.

IN SUMMARY: WE HOPE TO EARN YOUR TRUST

Our commitment: earn community trust by being a good neighbor, supporting local agriculture, prioritizing public safety and creating lasting benefits for Van Wert County.

- ✓ **\$40+ million** in new local tax revenue, hundreds of construction jobs and opportunities for local businesses.
- ✓ Panels will be made in the USA and not imported from overseas.
- ✓ Supporting local agriculture through **agrivoltaics**, creating a new sheep-grazing economy while providing stable income for farm families.
- ✓ **Committed to being a good neighbor** by listening, engaging transparently and partnering with local communities throughout the project lifecycle.
- ✓ Designed with **public safety first** through Ohio Power Siting Board standards, emergency response coordination and secure, professionally monitored operations.
- ✓ Responsible land stewardship, preserving natural resources while generating enough electricity to power approximately **67,000 homes annually**.



THANK YOU!



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