



Summerland Solar+Storage Project Community Update

Quick Facts

Number of solar panels: ~3200

Lifespan: 35 years for solar array, 20 years for batteries

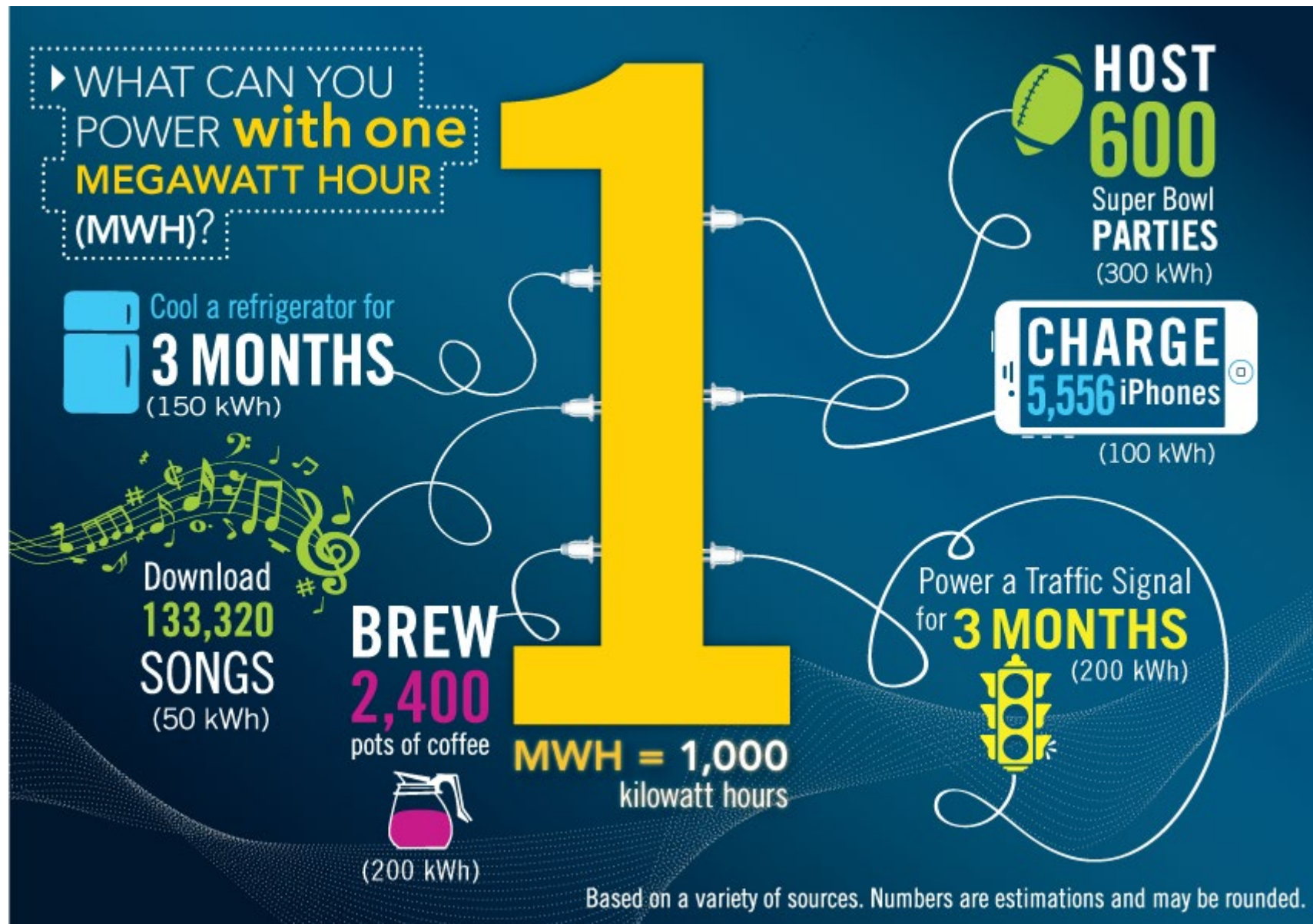
Project costs: \$6,980,000

Expected payback for District utility: 4-5 years

Potential sites examined: 108

Land required: 5 acres

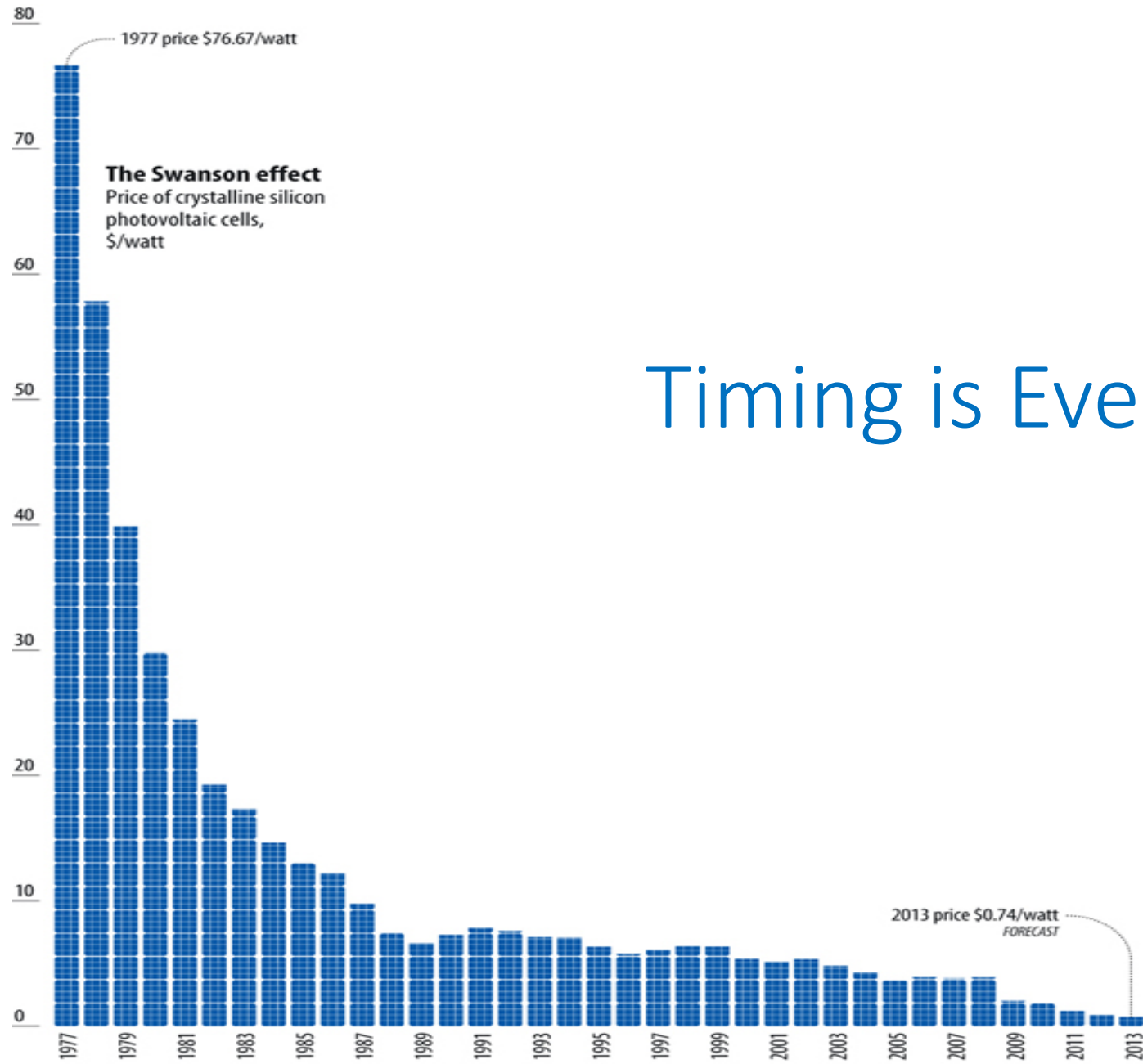
Annual energy production: 1,175,000 kWh (1,175 MWh)



Expected annual energy output of DoS 1MW solar array = 1,175 MWh

Why Solar?

- Proven technology
- LOTS of examples to draw on
- Safe, quiet, low-impact
- Simple to operate, low costs
- Can be added to / expanded
- Easily installed & removed
- Well understood
 - But not *that* well – still a draw
- Pairs favourably with storage



Timing is Everything

Source: Bloomberg, New Energy Finance

Project Benefits

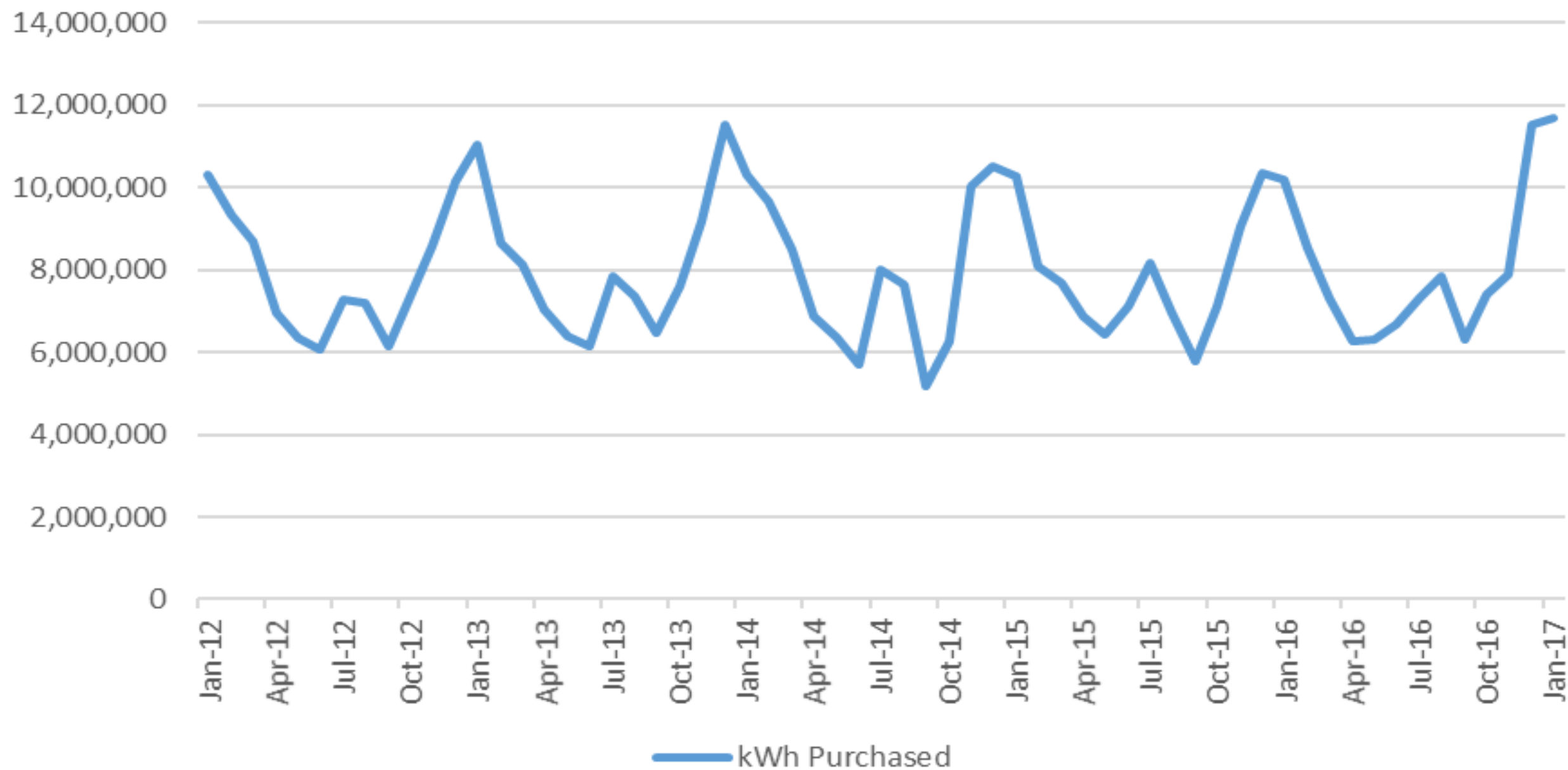
For Utility:

- ▶ Get experience with generation
 - ▶ Positioned to better adapt to changes to business model (DES)
 - ▶ Easier to capitalize on new opportunities
- ▶ System resiliency
- ▶ Peak shaving potential
- ▶ Predictable costs
- ▶ Positive customer relations
- ▶ Continue building on long history

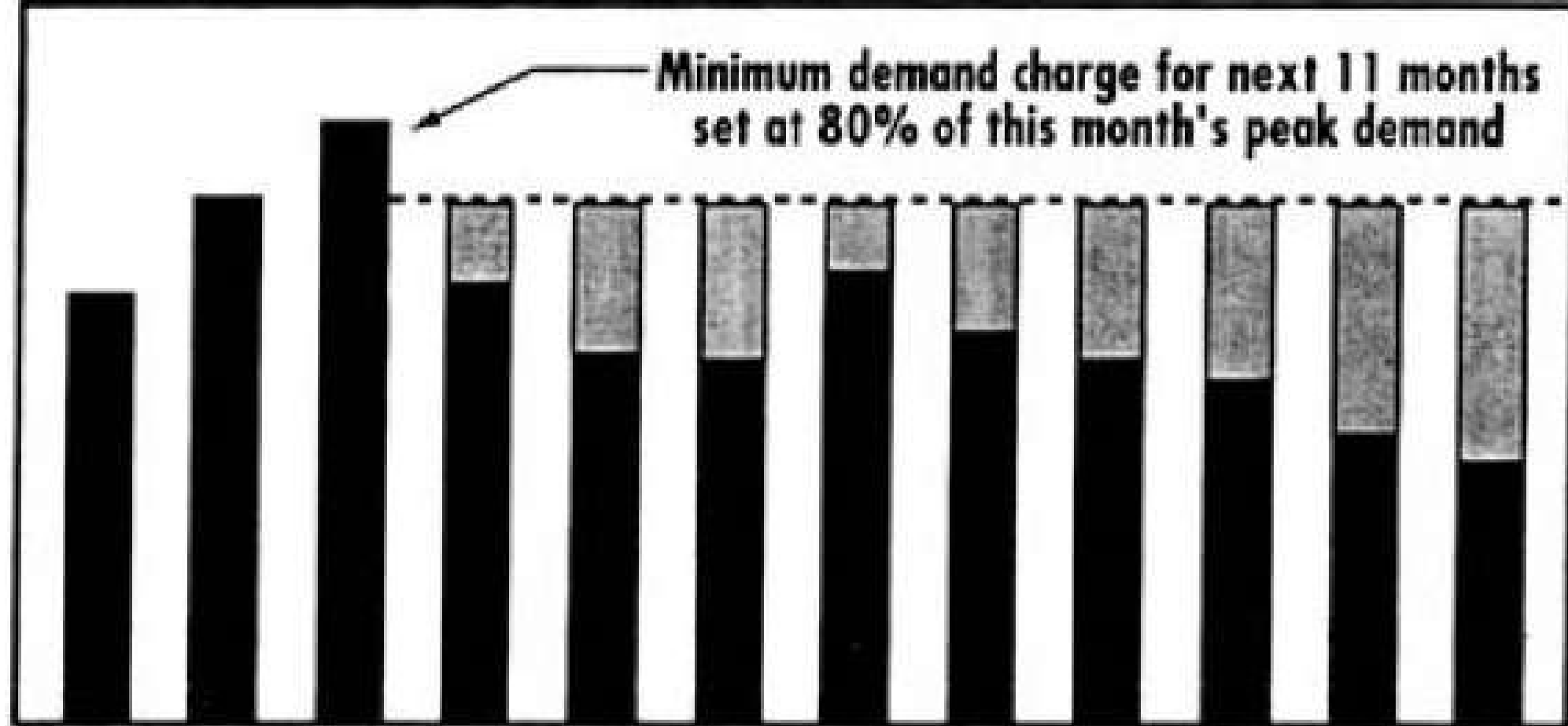
For Community:

- ▶ Cost savings to ratepayers
- ▶ Economic diversification & reinvestment
- ▶ Reduce GHGs* & address climate change
- ▶ Reputation for leadership and innovation
- ▶ Educational opportunities for local schools & researchers
- ▶ Increased interest in visiting, working, and living in Summerland
- ▶ Potential for investment opportunity

Energy Usage Jan 2012 - Jan 2017



Monthly demand (kW)



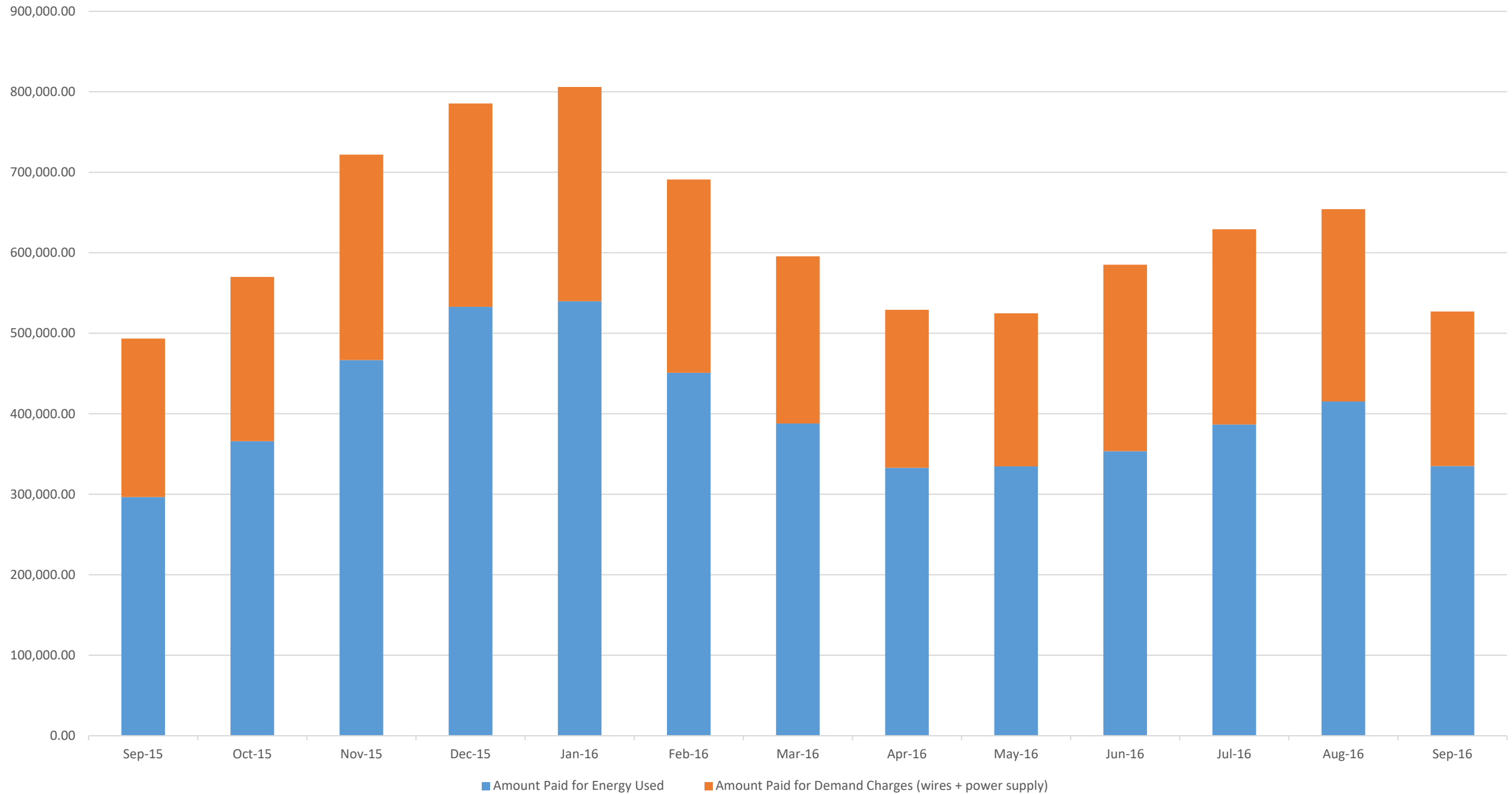
Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep

Peak Season

■ Actual demand

▨ Difference between minimum billed demand due to ratchet and actual demand

Total Charges for Electricity



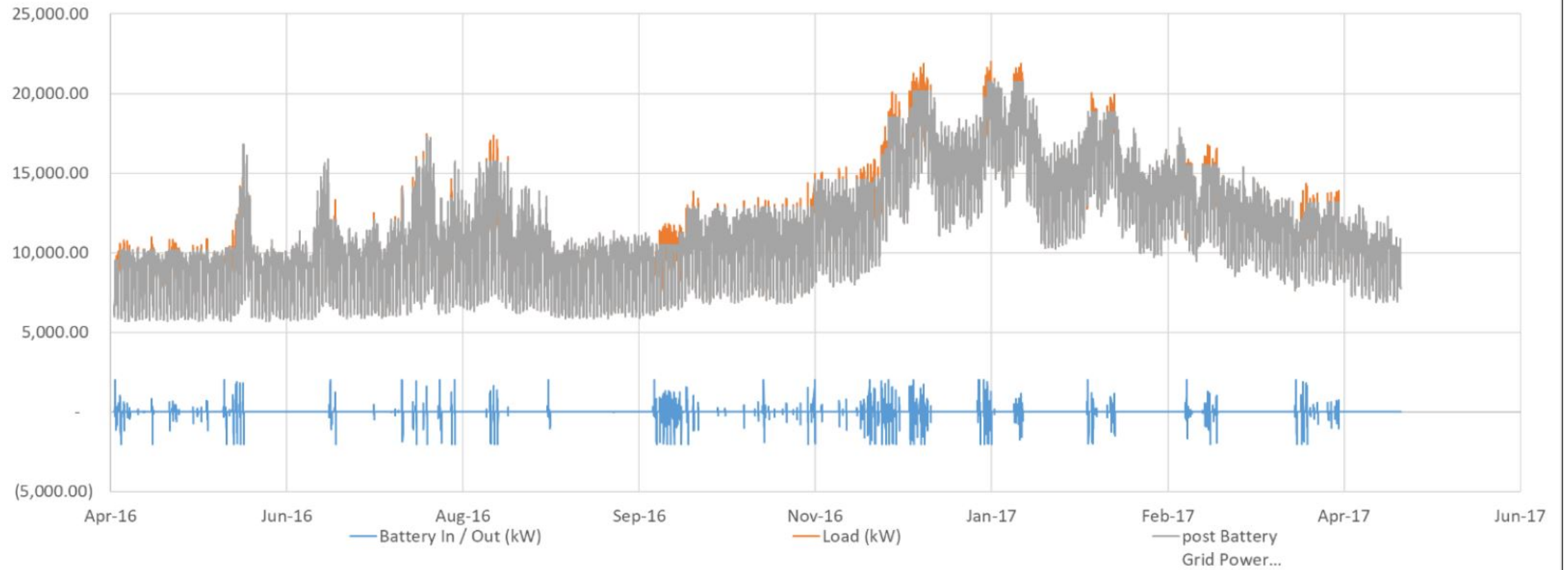
Battery Energy Storage



Potential Functions:

- Peak-shaving for tariff reductions
- System reliability enhancement
- Resiliency
- Voltage and frequency support

Load with and without Battery



Project Milestone Review

- Community Conversation: What is Summerland's Future in Solar?
- \$100K Rural Dividend Funding Award
- Pre-feasibility Study
- \$6M Strategic Priorities Fund Conditional Award
- System Impact & Interconnection Study
- Solar+Storage Project Financial Analysis
- Site Selection Process & Prime Potential Site Selected

Site Selection Process

System Impact & Interconnection Study Considerations:

- Solar resource
- Distribution system proximity
- Distribution system capacity
- Distribution system impacts
- Available area
- Topography



Site Selection Process

Additional Considerations:

- Zoning & OCP
- Social impacts
- Environmental impacts
- Geotechnical conditions
- Accessibility
- Module soiling



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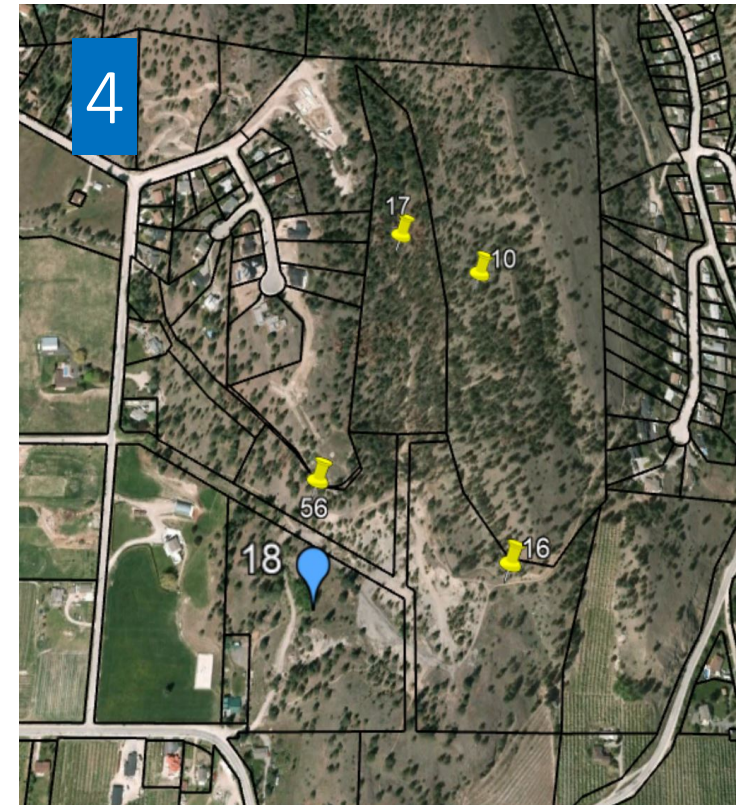
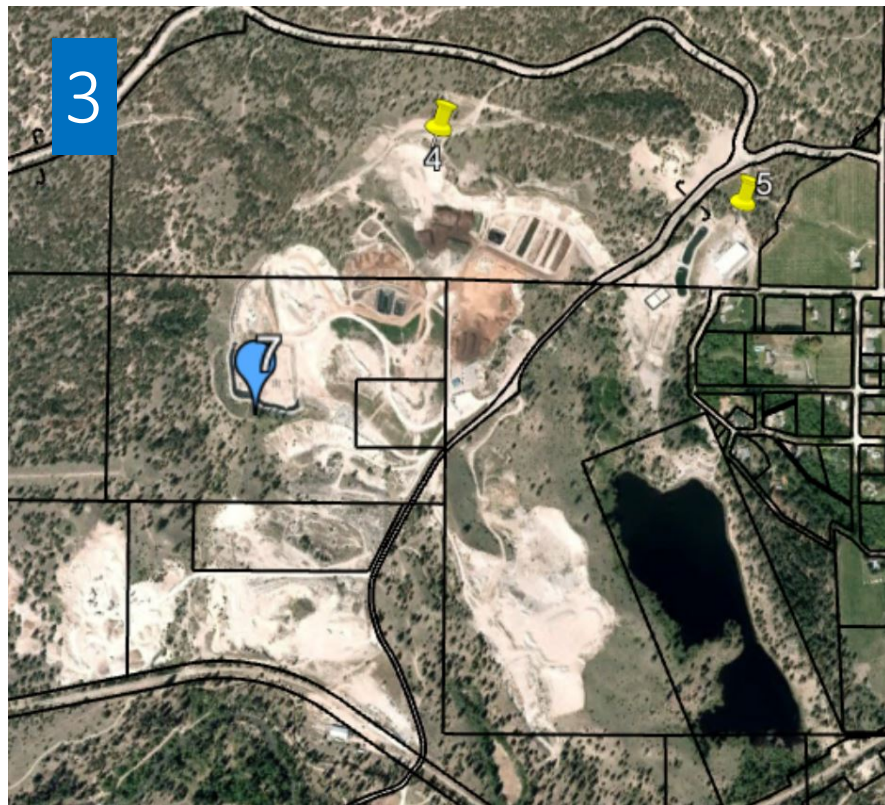
Further narrowed to those sites **not**:

- designated as Parks
- in perpetual slide monitoring area
- designated for Agriculture
- Adams Bird Sanctuary
- in active landfill area
- at north end of Garnet Valley
- reservoir
- KVR or Highway 97 right-of-way



Short-Listed Locations

1. Dunn St. Rental Houses
2. Buildings at Arena Complex Area
3. Lands Surrounding Landfill
4. Works Yard and Storage Area

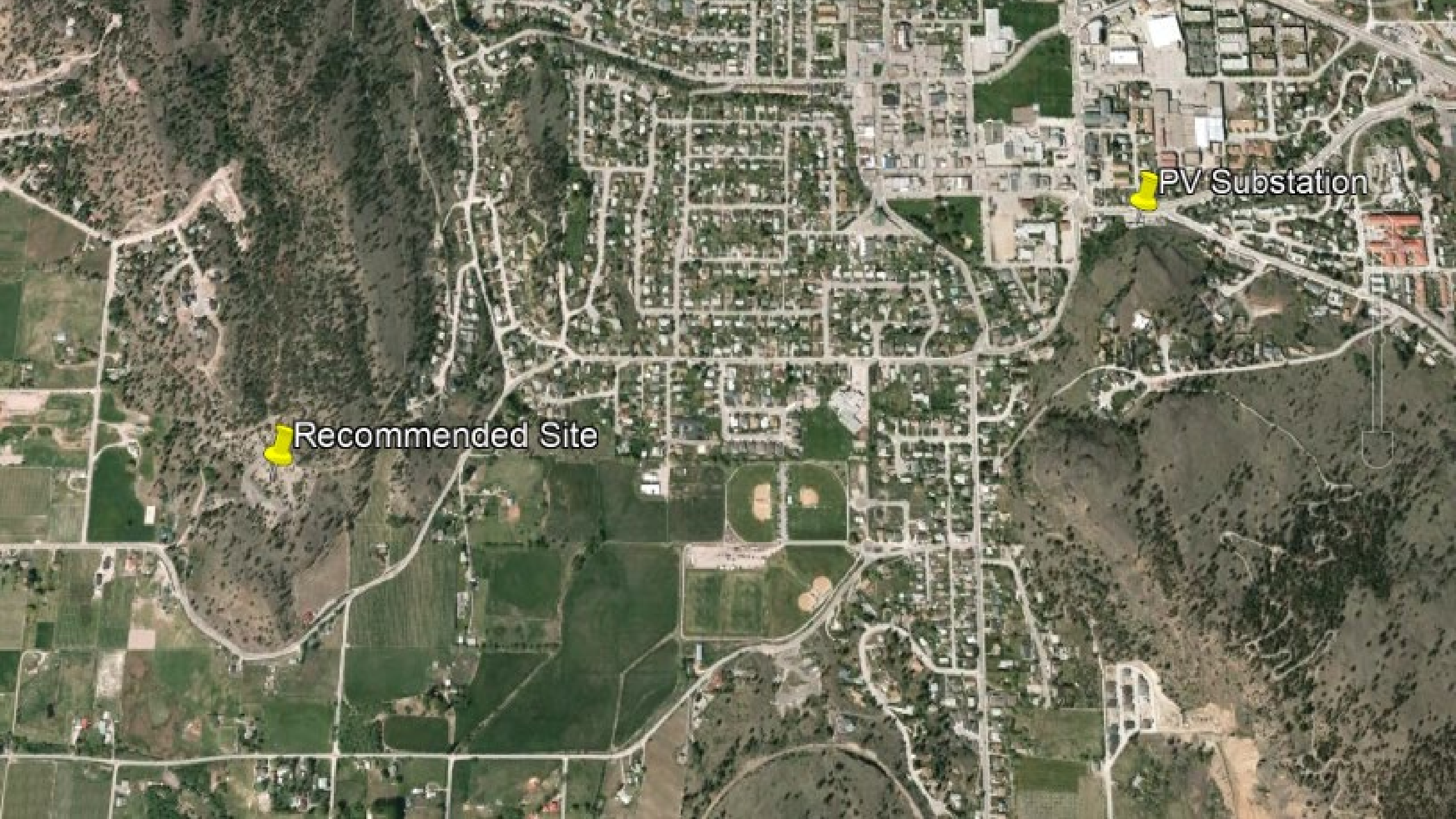


Advantages of Yard/Storage Site

- Previous disturbance / low environmental impacts
- Appropriate OCP designation
- Idle/vacant since 1970s
- Low visual impact
- Natural security
- Proximity to critical electric loads
- Possible co-benefits: remove garbage; remediate site; recreational amenities

Advantages of Site to Electrical Utility

- Proximity to substation
- Nearby to existing power lines
- Will interconnect to feeder with high reliability
- Close to Electric Utility office for servicing
- Close proximity to Fiber network
- Ample on-site space for large vehicle maneuvering & material storage



PV Substation

Recommended Site



Proposed Site



Site Overview
Satellite Image



Previous Disturbance on Site

- Much of site has degraded pavement
- Area is mostly graded (flat)
- Excavated area creates 'bowl'
- Due to previous industrial uses, may require soil contamination assessment



Opportunities for Cleanup of Site Area



Opportunities for Cleanup at Site
and in Surrounding Area



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Site Location
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Above, a typical PV support structure with penetrating foundations



Driven Pile



Earth Screw



Helical Pile

Below, a typical PV support structure with ballasted foundations

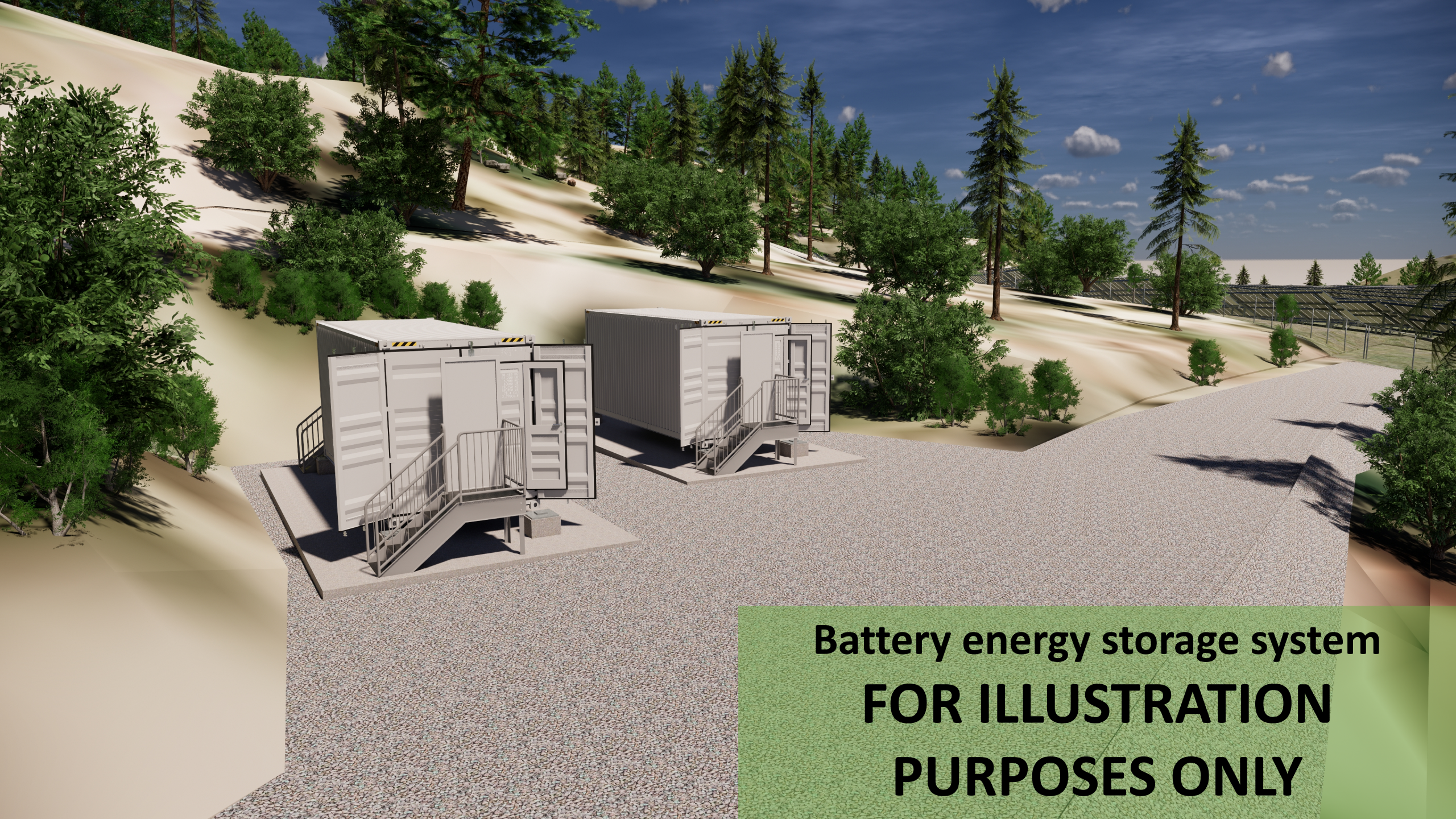


Ballasted



Foundations for Ground-Mounted Solar





Battery energy storage system
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Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)

- 2MW/4.5MWh
- Containerized
- Small footprint
- Able to assist with emergency operations
- Assist with peak shaving









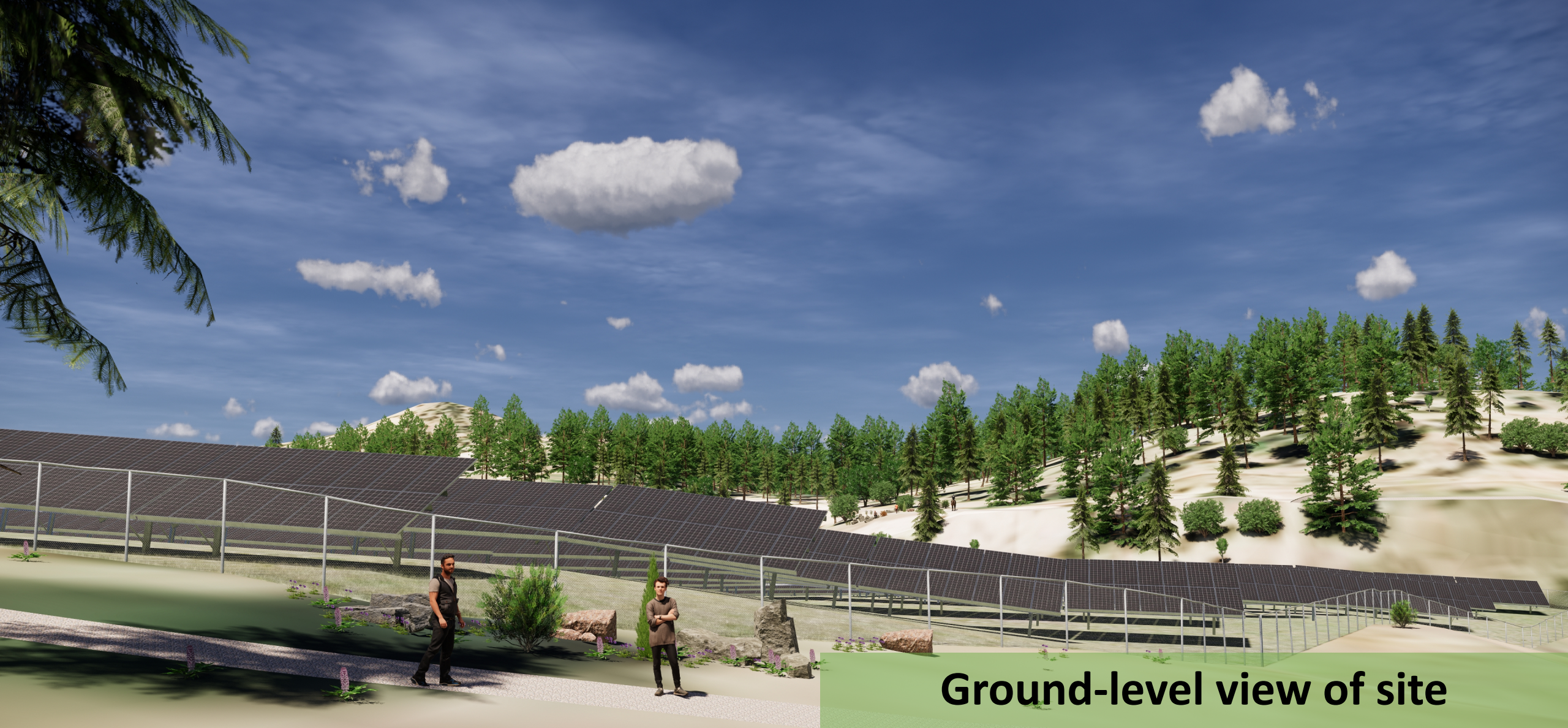
Viewing Deck & Info Kiosk

Battery Energy Storage System

Parking Area

Existing Informal
Trail Network

Site Overview
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**Ground-level view of site
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Existing Trail Use

- Mixed use: dayhikers, cyclists, horseback riders
- Mostly informal and unsanctioned
- No formal amenities
- Some trails cross onto private property
- Trail Re-Development Plan recommended



**View looking west toward site
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View looking east toward site
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View looking southeast
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**View looking northwest toward site
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Next Steps

- Qualified Environmental Professional completes site assessment
- Review of potential for First Nation values completed
- Confirmed if contaminated soils assessment required
- Solar monitoring station installed
- Geotechnical assessment awarded
- Community feedback collated

Future Milestones

- Secure \$6M grant funding
- Choose panels, racking, and other solar components
- Finalize battery technology and select supplier
- Develop and issue RFP for Engineering, Procurement, Construction
 - Detailed design
 - Contracts
 - Site Preparation
 - Utility Upgrades
 - Installation
 - Interconnection
- Celebrate!

Ways to Be Involved

- Sign up for Solar Energy email list
- Complete a survey
- Share feedback by video
- Call or email staff
- www.summerland.ca/solar



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