

FIELD REPORT

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### Bureau of Land Management is seeking public comment on the proposed SunZia Project

The Bureau of Land Management's New Mexico Office has [created a website](#) with information about the SunZia Southwest Transmission Project, as it relates to the NEPA process.

Through communication with interested industry, community and elected leaders, the BLM shared:

*SunZia Transmission LLC (SunZia) has submitted an application to amend an existing Bureau of Land Management Right of Way grant for two new parallel 500 Kilovolt transmission lines across approximately 520 miles of Federal, State, and private lands between New Mexico and Arizona.*

*The Project crosses Greenlee, Graham, Cochise, Pinal and Pima Counties in Arizona and Hidalgo, Grant, Luna, Sierra, Socorro, Torrance, Valencia and Lincoln Counties in New Mexico.*

*The BLM will initiate the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process as a response to SunZia's application. BLM's decision is whether to issue a Right of Way grant amendment, and if so, under what terms and conditions.*

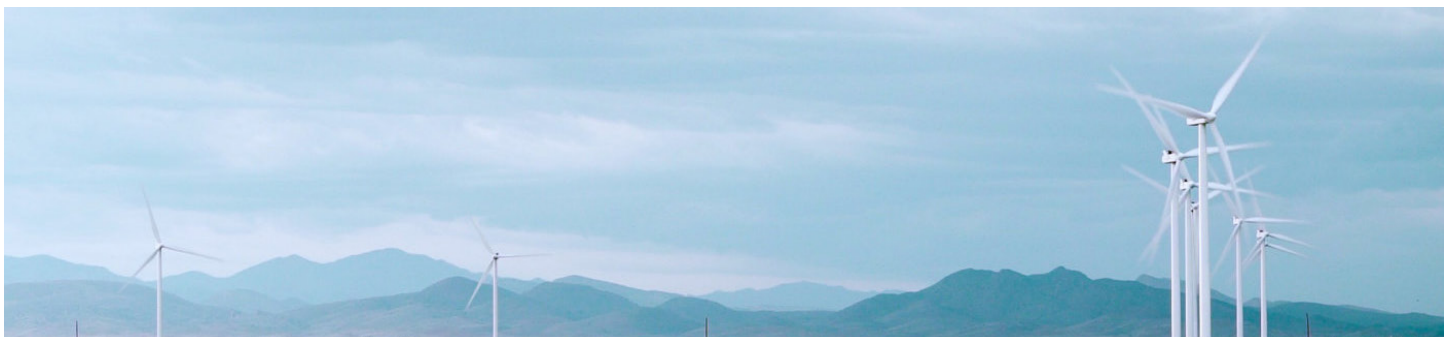
The website includes a variety of helpful tools including project information, a frequently asked questions document, maps and instructions on how to submit comments via an online form, mail or hotline. For more information and updates, visit: <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2011785/510>

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### SunZia to Generate Estimated \$2.7 billion of Economic impact into New Mexico and Arizona

The \$3.7 billion SunZia Southwest Transmission Project will include over 500 miles of transmission line and energy substations that will generate \$2.7 billion of economic impact into New Mexico and Arizona communities. This economic impact information has been provided by national accounting firm Moss Adams; the company completed an independent and comprehensive economic impact study commissioned by SunZia. The impact study also projects that SunZia will support approximately 2,600 construction jobs over seven years and 44 permanent positions over the life of the project. An estimated additional 970 construction jobs will be provided by out-of-state labor resources.

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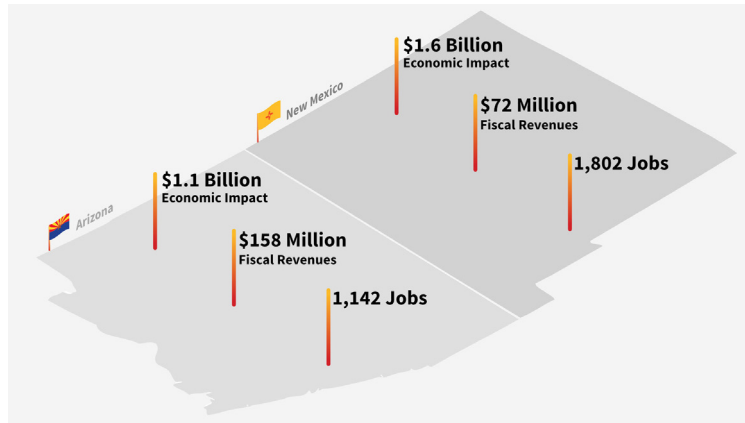
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Prior to construction, SunZia's economic impacts in New Mexico and Arizona will exceed \$315 million. When the lines are built, 2022-2029, construction costs alone are estimated to exceed \$2.6 billion. Once built, operations and maintenance economic impacts for both lines are estimated at nearly \$16.8 million per year, totaling more than \$545 million through 2059.

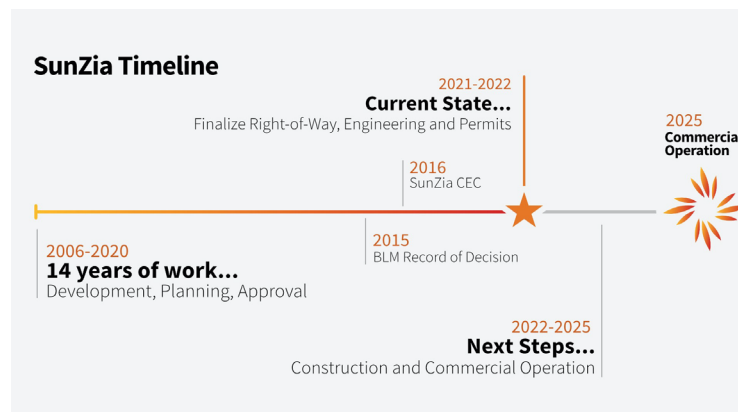
The \$3.7 billion SunZia Southwest Transmission Project is anticipated to generate \$158 million of fiscal revenues in Arizona and will generate \$72 million of fiscal revenues in New Mexico.



## SunZia Update

The development and planning of the SunZia Southwest Transmission Project started in 2006. The first of two 500+ mile transmission lines will be operational by 2025 with a carrying capacity of 3,000 MW of wind from Central New Mexico to western energy markets. The second line will be able to carry another 1,500 MW to Western energy markets.

According to the New Mexico Renewable Energy Transmission and Storage Study (June 2020), New Mexico could expand from 2,500 MW of renewable capacity to 11,500 MW by 2030. The independent study also identified New Mexico's potential for up to \$11 billion in investment in new renewables and 3,700 jobs per year, including 800 permanent jobs developed in this period.



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# We're Building a Clean Energy Future

SunZia is a 500 kilovolt (kV) transmission project dedicated to clean energy. It is one of the largest interstate transmission lines of its kind - designed to transport up to 4,500 MW (megawatts) of clean energy from the wind and solar-rich areas of New Mexico and Arizona to customers across the West.

SunZia is helping make renewable energy the next great industry — benefiting local landowners, states, cities and towns while creating jobs and helping the environment.

**SunZia is Clean Energy - SunZia is the Future.**



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