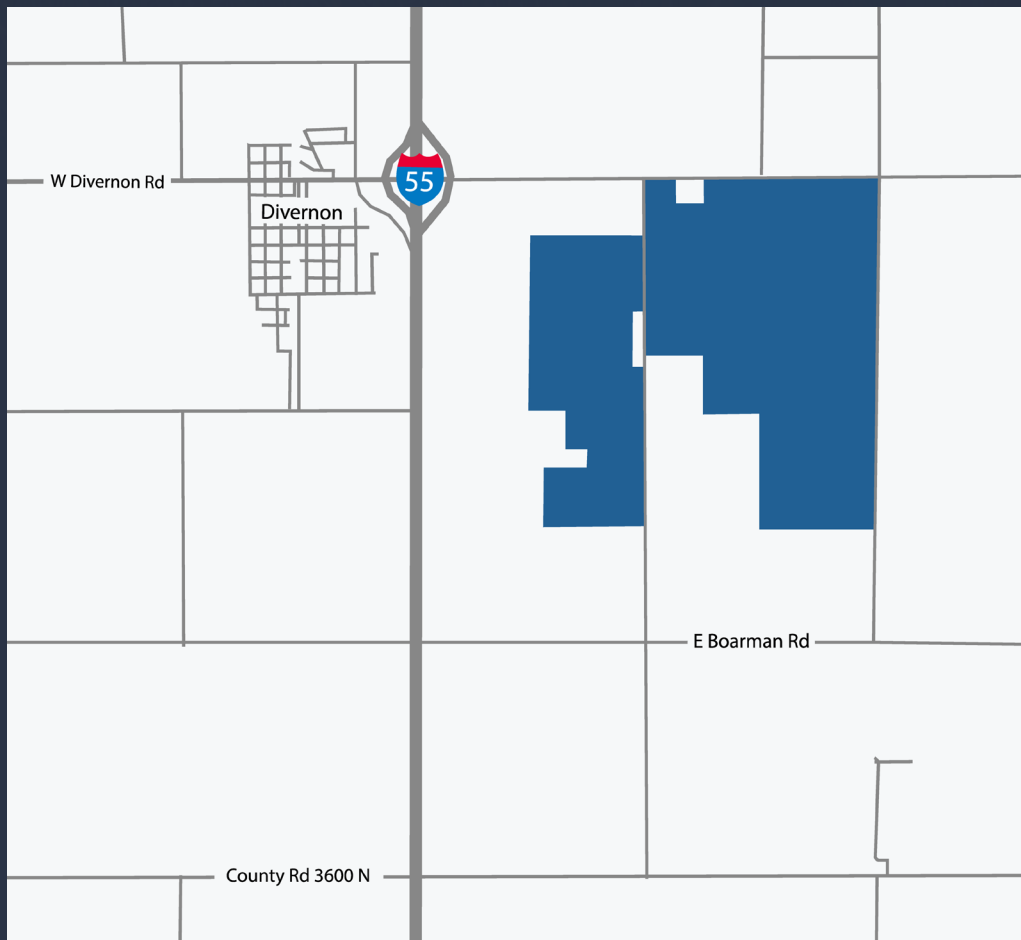




LRE

Henkle Branch Solar

LRE subsidiary Henkle Branch Solar, LLC will be constructing a renewable energy facility, generating up to 100 megawatts (MW) of solar power generation. The project is located on private land located in Sangamon County, Illinois. Following construction, the facility will operate for 30+ years, providing significant economic investment to the community, substantial funding for the county and schools, and generating emission-free renewable energy. Henkle Branch Solar is scheduled to begin operating in 2029.





ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Henkle Branch Solar will have positive impacts in the area, including significant financial investments, bringing in more than 200 jobs during construction. Much of this workforce will be from Illinois, keeping jobs in-state. Alongside increased spending with local businesses, the project will also generate more than an estimated \$400,000 per year in annual payments. These payments will provide local communities, including schools and public services, with additional revenue each year to support local needs.



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Henkle Branch Solar is committed to being a good neighbor. We believe that means supporting the local causes our communities are passionate about. Whether through volunteer opportunities, donations, or sponsorships, we look for positive ways to stay engaged. Henkle Branch Solar is already actively partnering with local nonprofits, community organizations, and others that are making a positive impact in Sangamon County.



ENVIRONMENT & SAFETY

Solar panels are made of solid materials that are sealed behind strong, tempered glass. The panels are also highly durable and are designed and tested to withstand hail, wind, and storms. Once the facility is operating, Henkle Branch Solar will be supported by on-site, full-time staff and monitored 24/7 using equipment sensors, weather tracking, and remote technology.



LAND STEWARDSHIP

Solar energy facilities offer a temporary, low-impact use of land. Once operational, these facilities produce minimal traffic, dust, or other nuisances. The land is seeded with native grasses, allowing vegetation to regrow and soils to rest throughout the life of the project. We will incorporate sustainability practices tailored to this site. These may include pollinator-friendly plantings, on-site beehives, soil monitoring, and sheep grazing to support healthy land management. At the end of the project's life, Henkle Branch will fully decommission all equipment at our expense and responsibly restore the land to its prior condition.



CONSTRUCTION & OPERATION

Following initial phases of site preparation, project construction is anticipated to begin in 2028. During construction the most common change to the nearby community will be a temporary increase in truck traffic. We will work closely with the county to ensure all roads are well maintained during construction and are returned to their original condition once construction has been completed.

CONTACT

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