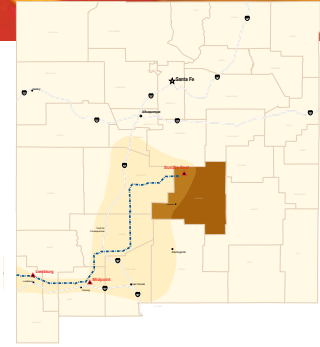


## SunZia in Lincoln County













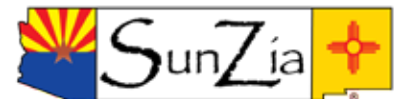
The University of Arizona and New Mexico State University identified positive economic impacts within Lincoln County created by SunZia, including:

- Over 250 jobs<sup>1</sup> during construction
- Over \$15 million in estimated wages and salaries (including benefits) during construction
- Nearly \$3 million in local tax revenues during construction
- Over \$5 million in local property tax revenues<sup>2</sup>

Since 2007, one out of 18 jobs in New Mexico no longer exists and Lincoln County's unemployment rate was 6.8 percent in 2010. Within Lincoln County, SunZia will create job opportunities through construction of two transmission lines and a substation, and through SunZia's ability to foster development of local renewable energy projects. The following table presents the estimated economic contributions associated with four types of potential renewable projects<sup>3</sup> in Lincoln County.

### ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS<sup>3</sup> AT A GLANCE

		 Solar PV 100MW	 Solar Thermal 160MW	 Wind 100MW	 Geothermal 50MW
<b>DURING CONSTRUCTION</b>	 Jobs <sup>1</sup>	1,345+	950	335+	380+
	 Wages & Salaries	\$91.1 million	\$63 million	\$24.4 million	\$28.6 million
	 Local Tax Revenues	\$1.1 million	\$0.8 million	\$0.3 million	\$0.3 million
<b>DURING OPERATION</b>	 Jobs	14	32	9	28
	 Annual Wages & Salaries	\$0.8 million	\$1.8 million	\$0.6 million	\$1.8 million
	 Local Property Taxes <sup>2</sup>	\$19.9 million	\$32.5 million	\$10.7 million	\$9.8 million



## SunZia will enable delivery of Lincoln County's renewable resources.

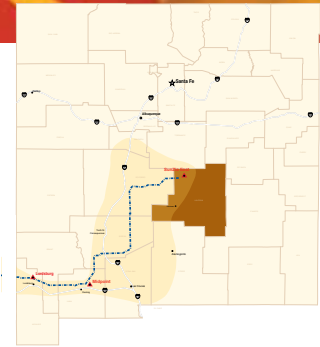
Renewable energy projects enabled by SunZia could request interconnection to SunZia at any point. Additionally, SunZia includes a substation in Lincoln County, where renewable energy projects could interconnect to SunZia.

As an example of the opportunity created by SunZia and based on the table on the reverse, if the County attracts the development of 500 MW of wind projects, then the following jobs could be created:

- **Over 1,675 construction jobs<sup>1</sup>**
- **Over 45 permanent jobs**



SunZia will create job opportunities through construction of two transmission lines and a proposed substation, as well as fostering the development of local renewable energy projects.



“We wish to expand the state’s economic development opportunities in New Mexico, by creating transmission capacity and establishing a permanent renewable energy export business.”

New Mexico

Association of Counties,  
SunZia Resolution 201007  
New Mexico Municipal League,  
SunZia Resolution 201050

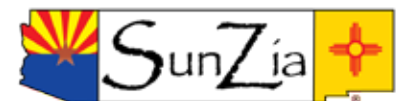
See the full **Economic Impact Assessment<sup>4</sup>** reports at [www.SunZia.net](http://www.SunZia.net)

<sup>1</sup> Construction jobs are measured in man-years.

<sup>2</sup> Accumulated during construction and the first 5 years of operation.

<sup>3</sup> Because the number, location and type of potential renewable generation projects are unknown, the economic impact analysis analyzed four specific example projects to estimate economic contributions.

<sup>4</sup> The information presented herein is based on Scenario 2 and the route combination of Arizona Route A and New Mexico West Route (shown in the Economic Impact Assessment alignment map) within the Economic Impact Assessment report dated April 2011. Economic impact information pertaining to the potential energy generation projects is based on the Economic Impact Assessment Supplement dated April 2011.



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