



Decommissioning Estimate/Plan

Caterpillar Hill Road
Sedgwick Maine

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This Decommissioning Estimate has been prepared by Borrego Solar in an attempt to predict the cost associated with the removal of the proposed solar facility. The primary cost of decommissioning is the labor to dismantle and load as well as the cost of trucking and equipment. All material will be removed from the site, including the concrete equipment pads, which will be broken up at the site and hauled to the nearest transfer station.

No salvage values have been assumed in this calculation.

The following values were used in this Decommissioning Estimate:

System Specifications		Equipment & Material Removal Rates	
Number of Modules	20,670	Module Removal Rate (min/module)	0.5
Number of Racks	781	Rack Wiring Rem. Rate (min/mod)	0.25
Number of Inverters	2	Racking Dismantling Rate (min/rack)	20
Number of Transformers	2	Inverter Removal Rate (hr/unit)	0.5
Electrical Wiring Length (ft)	3,200	Transformer Removal Rate (hr/unit)	1
Number of Foundation Screws	3,124	Rack Loading Rate (min/Rack)	10
Length of Perimeter Fence (ft)	3,727	Elect. Wiring Removal Rate (min/LF)	0.5
Number of Power Poles	6	Screw Rem. Rate (screws/day)	600
Access Rd Material Volume (YD)	418	Fence Removal Rate (min/LF)	1
Total Disturbed Area (SF)	18,348	Days req. to break up concrete pads	1
Total Fence Weight (lbs)	2,646	Days req. with Rough Grader	1
Total Racking Weight (lbs)	663,850	Days req. with Fine Grader	1
Total Foundation Screw Weight (lbs)	124,960	Total Truckloads Required	35
		Round-Trip Dist. to Trans. Sta.(miles)	30
		Round-Trip Time to Trans. Sta. (hr)	1
Labor and Equipment Costs			
Labor Rate (\$/hr)	\$ 16.96		
Operator Rate (\$/hr)	\$ 23.37		
Bobcat Cost (\$/hr)	\$ 100.00		
Front End Loader Cost (\$/Day)	\$ 830.00		
Excavator Cost (\$/Day)	\$ 1,340.00		
Trucking Cost (\$/hr)	\$ 125.00		
Backhoe Cost (\$/hr)	\$ 100.00		
Power Pole Removal Cost (\$/pole)	\$ 1,500.00		
Grader Cost (\$/day)	\$ 1,300.00		
Gravel Export Cost (\$/YD)	\$ 8.00		
Loam Import Cost (\$/YD)	\$ 20.00		
Seeding Cost (\$/SF)	\$ 0.10		
Fuel Cost (\$/mile)	\$ 0.50		
Energy Storage Decommissioning			
Number of Energy Storage Units		2	
Battery Disposal Fee	\$ 25,000.00		
Battery Loading Prep Time (hr)		32	
Battery Loading Time (hr)		8	



Labor, Material, and Equipment Costs

1. Remove Modules

The solar modules are fastened to racking with clamps. They slide in a track. A laborer needs only unclamp the module and reach over and slide the module out of the track.

$$\text{Module Removal Rate} \cdot \text{Total Number of Solar Modules} \cdot \text{Labor Rate} = \text{Module Removal Cost}$$

$$\text{Total} = \$ \quad 2,649.15$$

2. Remove Rack Wiring

The modules are plugged together in the same manner as an electrical cord from a light is plugged into a wall socket. The string wires are in a tray. A laborer needs only unplug the module, reach into the tray and remove the strands of wire.

$$\text{Wire Removal Rate} \cdot \text{Total Number of Solar Modules} \cdot \text{Labor Rate} = \text{Rack Wiring Removal Cost}$$

$$\text{Total} = \$ \quad 1,324.58$$

3. Dismantle Racks

The racking is supported by screw foundations. The racking will be disconnected from the foundation and removed separately.

$$\text{Number of Racks} \cdot \text{Rack Dismantling Rate} \cdot \text{Labor Rate} = \text{Rack Dismantling Cost}$$

$$\text{Total} = \$ \quad 4,415.25$$

4. Remove and Load Electrical Equipment

Electrical equipment includes transformers and inverters.

$$(\text{Number of Inverters} \cdot \text{Inverter Removal Rate} + \text{Number of Transformers} \cdot \text{Transformer Removal Rate}) \cdot (\text{Operator Rate} + \text{Bobcat Cost}) = \text{Electrical Equipment Removal Cost}$$

$$\text{Total} = \$ \quad 370.11$$

5. Break Up Concrete Pads

Concrete pads are broken up using an excavator and jackhammer.

$$\text{Number of Demolition Days} \cdot (\text{Excavator Cost} + \text{Operator Cost}) = \text{Total Concrete Pad Removal}$$

$$\text{Total} = \$ \quad 1,016.96$$



6. Load Racks

Once the racks have been dismantled, they will be loaded onto trucks for removal from the site. The trucking cost associated with this line item represents the additional time a truck will be needed during loading. Please see item # 13 for additional trucking costs.

$$\text{Number of Racks} \cdot \text{Rack Loading Rate} \cdot (\text{Operator Cost} + \text{Front End Loader Cost} + \text{Trucking Cost}) = \text{Total Rack Removal Cost}$$

Total = \$ 32,329.50

7. Remove Electrical Wiring

Electrical wiring will be removed from all underground conduits.

$$\text{Cable Length} \cdot \text{Cable Removal Rate} \cdot (\text{Operator Cost} + \text{Backhoe Cost}) = \text{Total Cable Removal Cost}$$

Total = \$ 3,289.87

8. Remove Foundation Screws

Foundation screws will be backed out of the ground and loaded onto a truck to be removed from site.

$$(\text{Total Number of Screws} / \text{Daily Screw Removal Rate}) \cdot (\text{Operator Rate} + \text{Excavator Cost}) = \text{Total Screw Removal Cost}$$

Total = \$ 7,950.37

9. Remove Fencing

Fencing posts, mesh, and foundations will be loaded onto a truck and removed from site. Trucking costs included in this line item are for the removal process. Trucking to a recycling facility are included in item #13.

$$(\text{Total Length of Fence} \cdot \text{Fence Removal Rate}) \cdot (\text{Operator Rate} + \text{Bobcat Cost} + \text{Trucking Cost}) =$$

Total = \$ 15,427.92

10. Remove Power Poles

Power poles will be removed and shipped off site.

$$\text{Number of Power Poles} \cdot \text{Pole Removal cost} = \text{Total Power Pole Removal Cost}$$

Total = \$ 52,500.00



11. Gravel Road Reclamation

Reclamation of the gravel access road will entail removing the gravel material and exporting it off site. The area will then be backfilled with loam and graded.

$$(Days\ with\ Rough\ Grader + Days\ with\ Fine\ Grader) \cdot (Grader\ Cost\ per\ Day + Operator\ Cost\ per\ Day) + [Roadway\ Material\ Volume \cdot (Gravel\ Export\ Cost + Loam\ Import\ Cost)] = \\ Gravel\ Road\ Reclamation\ Cost$$

Total = \$ 14,691.38

12. Seed Disturbed Areas

Seeding cost includes labor and materials for reseeding all disturbed areas including the reclaimed gravel road area, former electrical areas, and areas disturbed by racking foundation removal.

$$Seeding\ Cost \cdot Disturbed\ Area = \\ Total\ Seeding\ Cost$$

Total = \$ 1,834.77

13. Truck to Transfer Station

All material will be trucked to the nearest Transfer station that accepts construction material. The nearest transfer station is Blue Hill Transfer

$$(Total\ Truckloads \cdot Roundtrip\ Distance \cdot Fuel\ Cost) + (Total\ Truckloads \cdot Round\ Trip\ Time \cdot \\ Trucking\ Cost) = \\ Total\ Trucking\ Cost\ to\ Transfer\ Station$$

Total = \$ 4,900.00

14. Remove and Dispose of Energy Storage Equipment

The battery units will be prepared for shipment and loaded onto a truck. A disposal fee will also be required for the disposal company to accept the batteries.

$$Number\ of\ Battery\ Units \cdot ((Loading\ Prep\ Time \cdot Labor\ Cost) + Loading\ Time \cdot (Labor\ Rate + \\ Bobcat\ Cost + Trucking\ Cost) + Disposal\ Fee) = \\ Total\ Energy\ Storage\ Removal\ and\ Disposal\ Cost$$

Total = \$ 54,956.80



Salvage Values

Salvage Value Not Included



Summary of Decommissioning Costs and Salvage Values

Line Item	Task	Cost
1	Module Removal	\$ 2,649.15
2	Rack Wiring Removal	\$ 1,324.58
3	Rack Dismantling	\$ 4,415.25
4	Electrical Equipment Loading and Removal	\$ 370.11
5	Break Up Concrete Pads	\$ 1,016.96
6	Load Racks	\$ 32,329.50
7	Electrical Wiring Removal	\$ 3,289.87
8	Foundation Screw Removal	\$ 7,950.37
9	Fence Removal	\$ 15,427.92
10	Power Pole Removal	\$ 52,500.00
11	Gravel Road Reclamation	\$ 14,691.38
12	Seed Disturbed Areas	\$ 1,834.77
13	Trucking to Transfer Station	\$ 4,900.00
14	Energy Storage System Removal	\$ 54,956.80
		Subtotal = \$ 197,656.65

Present Value Total = \$ 197,656.65