

# City of Craig: Regional Solar Project Update

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### Process Overview





50% Preliminary Findings Meeting

Detailed Design/Engineering Development

90% Presentation and Discussion

Feedback and Final Project Development

Final Report, Deliverables, DOLA award

Project Planning Partners provide critical feedback and direction

Project Planning Partners provide final feedback to progress towards final scope/project



# Regional Solar Planning – Review of Project Sites/Goals

		Client's Stated Goals		
Stakeholder	Site Name	Install Type	Operational Savings (net metering + peak shaving)	Resiliency
City of Craig	Craig Wastewater Treatment Plant	Ground	x	x
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City of Steamboat Springs	Steamboat Transit Ops Center	Rooftop	x	х
City of Steamboat Springs	Steamboat Wastewater Treatment Plant	Ground	Х	x
Moffat County	Memorial Regional Health Hospital	Rooftop	x	
Moffat County	Moffat County Safety Center	Ground	х	
Moffat County SD	Moffat County High School	Ground	х	
Mt. Werner Water	Mr. Werner Water Treatment Plant	Rooftop	Х	x
Town of Hayden	Hayden Police Station	Rooftop	х	x
Town of Hayden	Hayden SD Redevelopment	Rooftop	х	x
Town of Hayden	Hayden Wastewater Treatment Plant	Ground	х	x
Town of Oak Creek	Oak Creek Town Hall	Rooftop	Х	
Town of Yampa	Old Town Hall	Rooftop	х	x
Town of Yampa	Yampa Sewer Treatment Plant	Ground	х	x
Yampa Valley Regional				
Airport	Yampa Valley Regional Airport	Ground	X	x



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### City of Craig - PV sites

#### Solar PV System – Craig Water Treatment Plant

System Size (kWdc)	209.1		
System Type (roof/ground)	Ground		
Energy Reduction (kWh)	23%		
Total Project Cost	\$502,476		
DOLA Grant	\$195,606		
Annual Savings	\$30,687		



#### Solar PV System – Craig Wastewater Treatment Plant

System Size (kWdc)	271.8
System Type (roof/ground)	Ground
Energy Reduction (kWh)	37%
Total Project Cost	\$599,673
DOLA Grant	\$202,453
Annual Savings	\$39,722



#### Features & Benefits

- 30 yr+ system life
- Maintenance costs accounted for in project financials
- Hedge against future utility rate increases
- Carbon-free energy
  - Includes solar Cx
  - Solar O&M 3yrs
    - Real time data analytic tracking
  - Re-located the northern array to the western location to account for poor soils conditions found during testing
  - Small system de-rates to account for electrical capacity of the inverters



### Benefits of Solar PV



- ~\$50,000 in DOLA grant funding
- **Risk mitigation** against future utility rate increases
- Reallocates \$\$ being paid to utility
- Demonstrates fiscal responsibility of District to voters
- 83% of Voters Support the State's 100% renewable goals



## Project Summary and Match

Site	System Cost	Annual M&V Cost (invoiced for 3 years)	Total Cost	Annual Utility Savings	DOLA Grant Funding	Match Amount Required		Annual		Lifetime Savings
Wastewater Treatment Plant	\$594,325	\$1,544	\$595,869	\$39,722	\$198,649	\$397,220	\$366,716	\$4,640	\$400,316	\$860,854
Water Treatment Plant	\$498,059	\$1,158	\$499,217	\$30,687	\$192,347	\$306,870		\$3,480	\$309,192	\$671,941

\* pending firm subcontractor bids and final interest rate



# Other Measures Investigated: LED Lighting

Stakeholder	Site Name	Annual Energy Savings	Annual Operations Savings	Project Investment
City of Craig	Craig Wastewater Treatment Plant	\$1,618	\$144	\$22,738
City of Craig	Craig Water Treatment Plant	\$2,411	\$358	\$32,244



# Funding Your Project Match through EPC



## Energy Performance Contracting Process



MEASUREMENT & VERIFICATION

ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT FINANCING CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION

INVESTMENT GRADE AUDIT + PROJECT PROPOSAL CONTRACT

SELECTION OF A PRE-QUALIFIED ESCO

CLIENT COMMITMENT: (1) Build your team, (2) Sign MOU with CEO  $\searrow$ 



## Next Steps and Schedule

Milestone	Timeline
DOLA Grant Application Due	<del>October 1</del>
Solar Project Finalized and RFPs for Installation	Q4 2020
Finalize funding strategy, DOLA Grant Announcement & Execute Energy Performance Contract	Q1 2021
Project Construction Window – Solar and Energy	May – Dec 2021
Measurement and Verification of Project Savings	2022-2024



# Thank you!

