



# TURNING SUN SOLAR PROJECT NEWSLETTER

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# lyuhána Solar Officially Renamed Turning Sun Solar



Together, Greenwood Sustainable Infrastructure and Ocean Man First Nation are excited to announce the rebranding of the Iyuhána Solar Project to the **Turning Sun Solar Project**. This change reflects a renewed commitment to the partnership following the election of Chief Ernest Standingready and the new Council of Ocean Man First Nation.

This newsletter is the fourth installment of Project information for public distribution of the Turning Sun Solar Project. As progress continues, we look forward to continuing to build strong and lasting relationships with the community and we welcome your conversations, comments, and questions at any time. For more information about how to reach us, please reference the last page under "Contact Us."

## Who We Are

## **About Greenwood Sustainable Infrastructure**

GSI Management Inc. (GSI) is one of the clean energy subsidiaries of the Libra Group. GSI is a renewable energy company focused on the development, construction, and operation of distributed generation and utility-scale solar energy and battery storage projects in North America. GSI's team has a proven track record of investing in power assets and partnering with multiple top-tiered investors. As of 2025, GSI boasts a project pipeline of 2.3 GW.

## **About Ocean Man First Nation**

Ocean Man First Nation (OMFN) is a Nakota Nation situated in southeast Saskatchewan. As the geographically closest Indigenous community to the Turning Sun Project site, OMFN has a membership of approximately 585. Following the election of Chief Standingready in June 2025, OMFN remain strong supporters of the Turning Sun Solar Project and dedicated advocates for renewable energy development across Saskatchewan.



# **About Turning Sun Solar**

Turning Sun Solar, a partnership between GSI Management Inc. (GSI) and Ocean Man First Nation (OMFN), has been awarded an exclusive Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with SaskPower to develop, construct, and operate the Project over a 25-year term.

This 100 MW utility-scale solar Project in southeast Saskatchewan, among Canada's top 10 largest solar projects by size, will power the equivalent of approximately 25,000 homes.

Ocean Man First Nation has a 10% ownership stake in the Project and will benefit from specialized training and job opportunities. Turning Sun Solar is also partnering with local academic institutions to provide scholarships, internships, and research opportunities in clean energy.

# STUDIES, PERMITS, AND APPROVALS

The Turning Sun Solar Project team continues to make great strides to obtain necessary permits and approvals as the Project progresses from late-stage development to construction start.

## Environmental Impact Statement, Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment (MOE)

The Turning Sun Solar Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) outlined key elements related to the potential environmental and socio-economic impacts of the Project, along with proposed mitigation strategies to address identified effects. On June 26, 2025, the Minister of Environment issued formal approval for the Project to proceed with development following MOE, Saskatchewan Environmental Assessment Review Panel (SEARP), and a 30-day public review period.

This approval marks a significant milestone in the Project's environmental assessment process, positioning the Project well to advance into the final stages of development, with a continued focus on minimizing environmental impacts, meeting necessary regulatory and environmental standards, while maintaining open, collaborative engagement with the MOE and key stakeholders.

Please reference the following links for:

- EIS Report: https://publications.saskatchewan.ca/#/products/126152
- MOE Decision: <a href="https://publications.saskatchewan.ca/#/products/126497">https://publications.saskatchewan.ca/#/products/126497</a>

Turning Sun Solar remains committed to ensuring the Project development, design, and implementation will be in the best interest of the environment, wildlife and wildlife habitat.

# **Project Milestones and Anticipated Timeline**

Target Commercial Operation Date - December 2026

Expected Decommissioning Start - December 2051

Environmental field studies conducted (Complete) Preliminary Solar Glare Hazard Analysis (Complete) Preliminary Noise Impact Assessment (Complete) The Heritage Property Act - Heritage Sensitivity Screening (Complete) Terms of Reference Acceptance Confirmation from Ministry of Environment – (Complete) Aquatic Habitat Protection Permit Acceptance (Complete) Environmental Impact Statement Approval Decision from Ministry of Environment- (Complete) Development Permit Application submission to RM of Estevan – (Complete) Project Quarterly Newsletter #1, #2 and #3 Distributed – (Complete) Community Open House 1 Open for Stakeholder Engagement - (Complete) Community Open House 2 Open for Stakeholder Engagement – (Complete) RM of Estevan Development Permit Application Review & Expected Decision –Q3 2025 (WE ARE HERE) Engineering & Equipment Procurement - Q2/Q3 2025 Job Fair 1, hosted in the RM of Estevan – Target for September 2025 RM of Estevan Building Permit Review & Expected Decision – November 2025 Target Construction Start - Q4 2025 Job Fair 2, hosted in the RM of Estevan - Q1 2026

# **CONTRACTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Barton Malow Canada Selected!**

We are pleased to announce that **Barton Malow Canada** (Barton Malow) has been selected as the Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) contractor for the 100-MW Turning Sun Solar Project. Barton Malow will lead the construction of this groundbreaking facility, ensuring it is built to the highest standards of quality, safety, and efficiency.

A Canadian-based company with over 14 years of experience, Barton Malow Canada boasts an installation portfolio of over 1,250 MW ground-mount solar generation, 3,718 MWh battery energy storage systems, 500 MW wind power, and 30 MW of new hydroelectric generation.

With extensive experience with preconstruction, design, and in-depth project planning, Barton Malow plays a leading role in identifying, mitigating, and controlling the hazards that exist in construction environments.

For more information on Barton Malow, please visit their website: www.bartonmalow.com

## **Upcoming Job Fairs**

With on-site mobilization targeted to commence in Q4 2025, and construction spanning up to 18 months, the Turning Sun Solar Project is anticipated to generate up to 150 direct employment opportunities during its development and construction phases. Once operational, the Project will require approximately two to three full-time positions to support ongoing operations and maintenance throughout its 25-year lifespan.

Turning Sun Solar, in collaboration with selected EPC, Barton Malow, are excited to be planning for the first Project Job Fair, currently targeted for **September 2025!** Detailed event information will follow in the upcoming weeks. The Job Fair will be an opportunity to meet the EPC team and will highlight the range of roles that will be needed throughout construction.

Information and details on the upcoming job fair will be shared through the Turning Sun Solar Project website, Turning Sun social media platforms and through direct mailout to stakeholders and interested individuals.

If you are interested in receiving public notification for Job Fairs, please submit your contact information via the following form: <a href="mailto:forms.office.com/r/2PCkz3fwqN">forms.office.com/r/2PCkz3fwqN</a>, or reach out to us directly at <a href="mailto:turningsunsolar@greenwoodinfra.com">turningsunsolar@greenwoodinfra.com</a>.

In addition, if you are interested in being considered for construction opportunities, please submit your contact information via the following form: <a href="mailto:forms.office.com/r/TL6aLUD7XX">forms.office.com/r/TL6aLUD7XX</a>, or reach out to us directly at <a href="mailto:turningsunsolar@greenwoodinfra.com">turningsunsolar@greenwoodinfra.com</a>

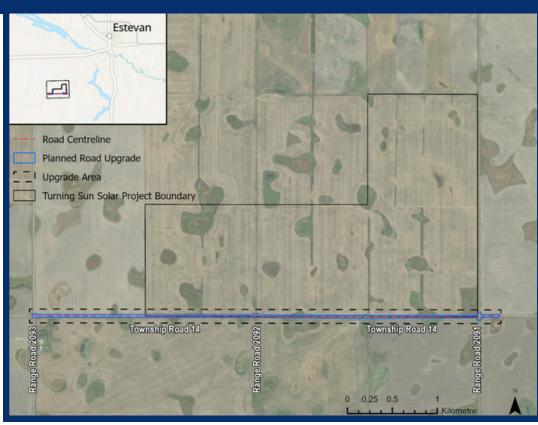
Turning Sun Solar will provide the collected contact information to the Project's EPC contractor for potential employment and subcontracting opportunities.

## Planned Road Improvements

Prior to on-site mobilization, Turning Sun Solar is committed to completing approximately 2-miles of road improvements along Township Road 14, along the southern edge of the Project, spanning from the corner of the intersection of Range Road 2091 and Township Road 14 at the eastern edge of the Project to the intersection of Range Road 2093 and Township Road 14, beyond the western-most end of the Project.

Ironside Energy Services Ltd., local to Estevan, Saskatchewan, has been awarded the contract for planned road upgrades. These upgrades will support safe and reliable access during construction and long-term operations, while benefiting the surrounding community.

To learn more about Ironside Energy, please visit the following website: <a href="mailto:ironsideenergy.ca/">ironsideenergy.ca/</a>



The site plan above depicts the planned road upgrade route, in blue and red, as seen from a bird's eye view.

# **IRON AND EARTH**

Iron & Earth (I&E) is a Canadian, employee-led non-profit organization with a mission to empower the fossil fuel industry and Indigenous professionals to build and implement climate solutions. Turning Sun Solar engaged Iron & Earth to provide specialized Indigenous engagement and training support.

## **Community Celebration**

A Community Celebration was delivered by Iron & Earth and Turning Sun Solar and hosted by OMFN on March 8, 2025, to mark the upcoming 2-day solar training workshop to be held at the Nation. The event brought together Band members of all ages, creating an open platform for learning, sharing, and celebrating the opportunities that the Turning Sun Solar Project represents. Many attendees expressed both curiosity and excitement about the solar industry and how it could benefit their community, sparking meaningful conversations about renewable energy, local capacity building, and long-term opportunities.

## **Training Program**

On April 7 and 8, 2025, Iron & Earth, in collaboration with GSI, delivered a 2-day solar training workshop hosted by OMFN. The hands-on training introduced participants to key aspects of solar energy technology, installation practices, and the broader clean energy landscape. It also connected the training directly to the future construction and operation of the Turning Sun Solar Project, ensuring that community members see the pathway from learning to active participation.

The workshop was attended by engaged members of OMFN, who demonstrated strong interest in building knowledge and skills that could prepare them for employment, entrepreneurship, or other roles within the solar sector. These participants will remain closely connected to the Project, receiving ongoing updates and opportunities for involvement as the initiative progresses. In this way, the training served not only as a skill-building opportunity but also as a platform for sustained engagement, empowerment, and long-term community benefit.

# **CONTACT US**

Community connection and strong stakeholder relationships are at the forefront of the Turning Sun Project Team's values and core beliefs. There will be a variety of upcoming events scheduled in the community of Estevan this year, where you can learn more about the Project.

Turning Sun Solar is committed to providing quarterly newsletter updates during development and construction. The newsletter will cover Project progress, key milestones, employment opportunities, opportunities for sharing concerns, and information regarding upcoming Job Fairs, community sessions and workshops. These newsletters will be posted on the Turning Sun Solar Project website (www.turningsunsolar.ca) and can be mailed out to stakeholders upon request.

Additionally, a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document has been prepared and can be found on the Project website here. The FAQ will continue to be updated as we progress through Project development, construction, and operations. The FAQ document can be mailed out to stakeholders upon request.

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Privacy Commitment: Turning Sun Solar is committed to protecting your privacy. All collected personal information will not be shared publicly. As part of the construction process, shared personal information will be provided to the selected Project EPC.







# Next Steps - Community Engagement

Turning Sun Solar will continue striving to provide access to Project-related information, a chance to speak with the Project Team in-person and provide valued stakeholders the opportunity to influence the Project by providing input and feedback.

Continued engagement is important to the Turning Sun Project Team. If you would like to receive Project updates via email, please submit your contact information via this form (<a href="https://forms.office.com/r/2PCkz3fwqN">https://forms.office.com/r/2PCkz3fwqN</a>). If you prefer paper mail, please fill out this form and mail it to:

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