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Overview

Research from the National Renewable Energy Laboratory shows that the entire U. could be powered by utility-scale solar occupying just 0. 6% of the nation's land mass. Developers and power plant owners plan to add 62. Date source: EIA But ideal locations for solar development often overlap with croplands or grasslands. While solar installations are not the primary drivers of land-use change in rural areas—low-density development has far outpaced solar utility land use—they have nonetheless attracted significant attention due to their visual prominence on agricultural land, leading to policy responses in some. A tracking plant's north/south axes (tracking east to west) make latitude not as much of a consideration in terms of shading. in fact, graph (a) suggests that power density for tracking plants may even improve slightly at higher latitudes—perhaps because a lower sun angle reduces self-shading. In a landmark accord, major solar developers, conservation groups, agricultural organizations, environmental and environmental justice groups, and tribal entities announced today their agreement to advance large-scale U. Its work combines policy reports, scholarly nologies have improved significantly in the last decade, and their market share has expanded r pidly.

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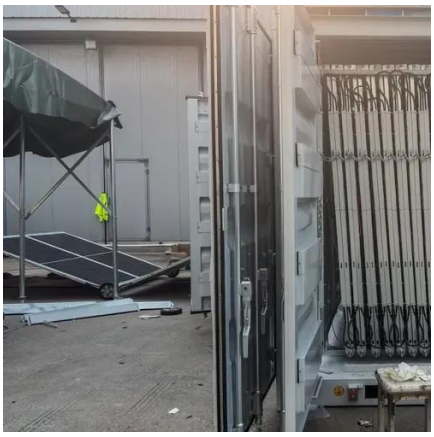

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