

Triple Oak Power/Black Ridge Project Information

(Information gathered using company websites, meeting handouts, official local council meeting minutes, and articles from the White Mountain Independent)

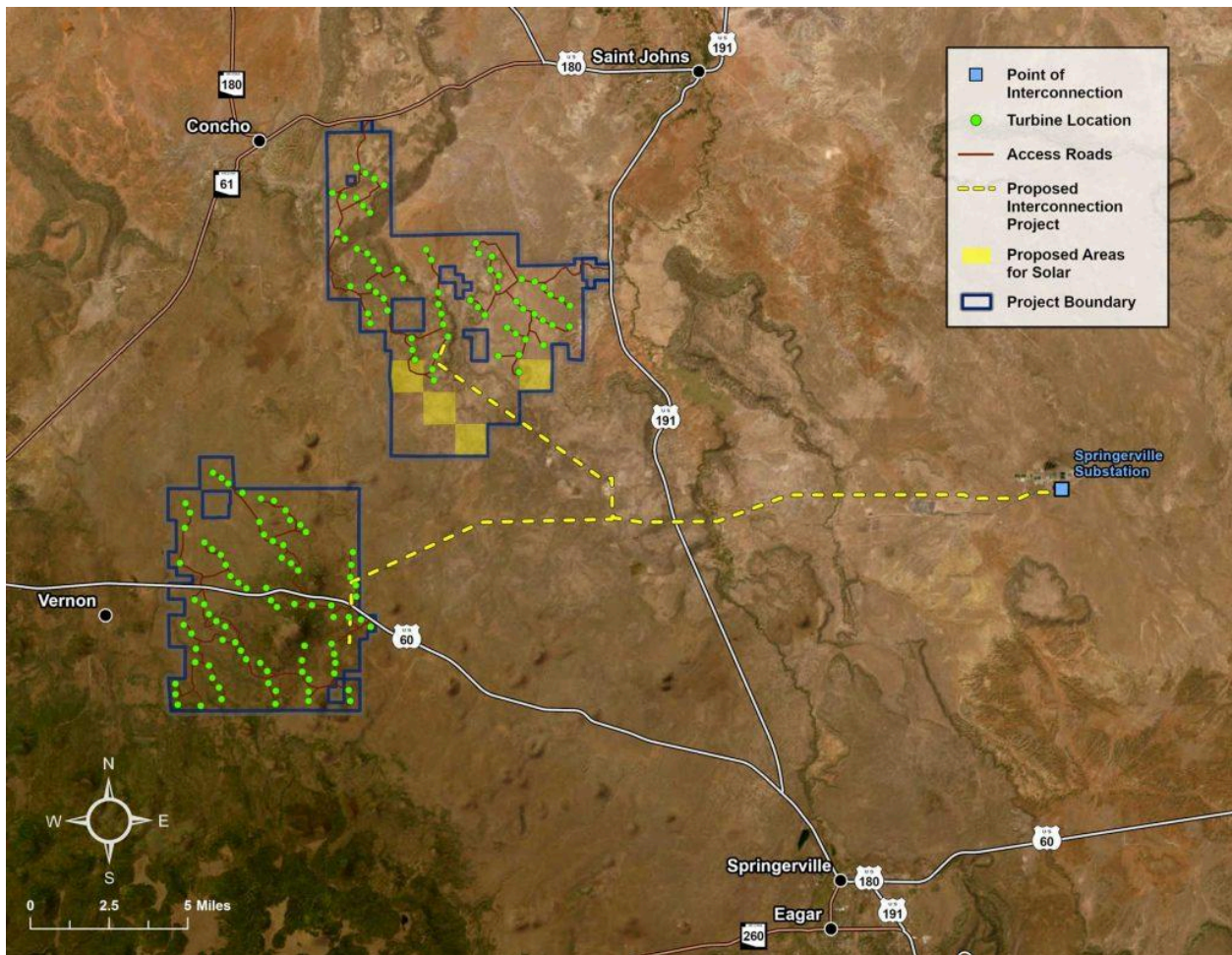
Company Info:

Triple Oak Power
1200 NW Nalto Parkway, ste 300
Portland, OR 97209

Website: [Tripleoakpower.com](http://tripleoakpower.com)

Project Website: <https://tripleoakpower.com/development-portfolio/black-ridge/>

Project Map:



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Project Specifications (figures taken from meetings and published articles):

- Proposed 1150 megawatt (MW) generating capacity. 400MW Wind / 400MW Solar.
- 105-146 Proposed Turbines.
- Solar Panels: Currently unknown but estimates from the map look like 4 sections or 2560 acres (4 square miles).
- Approximately 32 miles of new connector lines (they are NOT tying into Lava Run's transmission lines).
- Utilizing a mix of private and AZ State Trust Land with the majority being on private land.
- Wind turbines will stand more than 570' tall not including blade height which will extend the height around 700' tall.

Project Timeline (from Triple Oak's Website)

2021

- Began working with local landowners, county and community leaders and state government. Began measuring wind and solar resources for project viability.

2021-2022

- Began bird and eagle surveys as well as other environmental studies.

2024

- *Hired St John's resident Malena Hannah as community liaison.*

2025-2026

- *Helped restore St John's Chamber of Commerce building and opened an office there.*
- Finalizing landowner leases
- Finalizing transmission interconnection studies
- Completing environmental studies
- Performing engineering studies
- ***Acquire necessary permits and approvals ← WE ARE HERE!!!!***

2027

- Construction

2029

- Commercial operations begin

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Triple Oak's Promises and claims

- \$65 million in tax revenue over 35 years. Roughly half geared towards schools
- 500 temporary construction jobs
- 22 permanent jobs after construction (claim that jobs are anticipated to be mid-range jobs with 5-figure range and higher. Claim that they hope to work with Northland Pioneer to offer training for technician jobs)

How They Are Trying to Influence the Community

- Have already donated \$40,000 to "local organizations" including the St John's Regional Chamber of Commerce, Concho CAN, St John's sports teams and FFA, Helping to Sponsor the Apache County Fair and much more in the St John's area.
- Promise additional support to local fire departments, schools, and nonprofits if the project advances.

What are the Next Steps??

(the basics in a nutshell and overly simplified)

- Triple Oak will have to apply for a Conditional Use Permit with the Apache County Planning and Zoning.
- When they apply the county will have to post A MINIMUM OF 15 DAYS before the public hearing a public notice in the local newspaper. **(We are expecting this soon!!)**
- The Planning and Zoning board will issue a recommendation.
- That recommendation will eventually go before the Board of Supervisors for final approval.

How can you get involved??

- Write letters to the Apache County Board of Supervisors
- Attend Planning and Zoning meetings and BOS meetings
- Speak out at the county meetings when appropriate.
- **TALK TO YOUR NEIGHBORS!!!!**
- Stay informed through the Stop Black Ridge facebook group and meetings
- Sign up to help