

Solar Development Steps (4-6)

Generally, a solar project goes through six major milestones. Randolph Solar is currently completing site control, has already completed the first study for interconnecting to the electrical grid, and has conducted preliminary desktop site due diligence.



4. Engineering

Throughout project development, an engineering firm will refine the layout and electrical design based on site due diligence and permitting conditions.



5. Construction & Operation

Only after completing steps 1-4 will the project start construction, before which the developer will exercise the Option Agreements and either lease or purchase the land. Randolph Solar expects to employ over 700 construction workers for 2 or more years of the build. Once operational, utility-scale solar projects have an anticipated 35-year lifespan.

Prior to construction, Charlotte County will review and approve SolUnesco's decommissioning plan. Per the Charlotte County ordinance:



6. Decommissioning

"Decommissioning . . . shall include removal of all solar electric systems, buildings, cabling, electrical components, security barriers, roads, foundations, and pilings so that any agricultural ground is again tillable and suitable for agricultural uses. Disturbed earth shall be graded and re-seeded. Material from the property shall be disposed of in accordance with federal and state law."

SolUnesco will also provide the county financial security prior to construction, to guarantee decommissioning and restoration throughout the project's life. Charlotte County taxpayers will not be at risk for any costs of decommissioning.