

# Nature of land use for energy storage projects

How does the technology landscape affect long-duration energy storage?

The technology landscape may allow for a diverse range of storage applications based on land availability and duration need, which may be location dependent. These insights are valuable to guide the development of long-duration energy storage projects and inspire potential use cases for different long-duration energy storage technologies.

How much land use is used for electricity from storage?

Note that the land use impact for electricity from storage is higher than all land use impacts except biomass and hydro. Still, only a portion of the storage land use (say 0.1%) would be allocated to one GWh of renewable energy.

How will the energy transition affect land use?

The energy transition will cause drastic changes to land use, which provides barriers to adoption of renewables. Storage has relatively high use of land, which has so far been almost unexplored in the literature. Natural gas has lowest land use but there is potential for renewables to improve land use profile via mixed-use development.

How can energy storage systems improve the lifespan and power output?

Enhancing the lifespan and power output of energy storage systems should be the main emphasis of research. The focus of current energy storage system trends is on enhancing current technologies to boost their effectiveness, lower prices, and expand their flexibility to various applications.

How can energy storage technologies be used more widely?

For energy storage technologies to be used more widely by commercial and residential consumers, research should focus on making them more scalable and affordable. Energy storage is a crucial component of the global energy system, necessary for maintaining energy security and enabling a steadfast supply of energy.

How do energy systems measure land use?

Multiple researchers have attempted to quantify land use by energy systems; three frequently used metrics are: ecological footprint, land use intensity, and power density. First, their calculations, basic equations, data used and units are provided and strengths and weaknesses of each method are outlined.

The aim of this work is thus to assess: (1) the regional characteristics of the renewable energy system required for CEA facilities, (2) the combined land use of growing and energy provision, and ...

The total onshore area of the calculation cells was 305,100 km<sup>2</sup> the optimistic land use scenario the available area for wind power development was 109,200 km<sup>2</sup> (35.8% of the total) and in the ...

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Global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and fossil fuel use. Our results show that scenarios with stricter restrictions on global biomass availability, deployment of CCS, and biogenic carbon storage (or material ...

To a first approximation, silo conceptualizations of terrestrial carbon storage centre on refilling past carbon losses from land use change and land management [31,32]; in contrast, haystack ...

Among the different ES technologies available nowadays, compressed air energy storage (CAES) is one of the few large-scale ES technologies which can store tens to hundreds of MW of power capacity for long-term applications and utility-scale [1], [2]. CAES is the second ES technology in terms of installed capacity, with a total capacity of around 450 MW, ...

While the development process for a standalone battery energy storage project typically does not differ significantly from its wind or solar counterparts, there are a several considerations unique to the nature of battery storage to consider when negotiating the site control documents for the project. ... along with land use issues. Mara also ...

Renewable energy could often be land constrained by the diffuse nature of renewable resources. ... D. J. C. Solar energy in the context of energy use, energy transportation and energy storage ...

The land utilized for energy storage is characterized by a myriad of attributes, each vital to the operational efficacy and sustainability of such projects. A foundational aspect ...

This study explores and quantifies the social costs and benefits of grid-scale electrical energy storage (EES) projects in Great Britain. The case study for this paper is the Smarter Network ...

Modelling by the commission also projects large effects on forests and land use: by 2050, Europe will devote 22 Mha of cropland to energy crops, or roughly 20% of cropland, and import four times ...

Land use affects ecosystems, biodiversity, and geochemical cycles. It also affects people's well-being due to effects on views, noise, recreation, and quality of life. This means ...

This method has proved successful in assessing the impact of historical human land use on soil carbon storage [23]. By allowing the inclusion of larger datasets across a broader range of ...

Widespread pollution from industrial activities has driven land degradation with detrimental human health effects, especially in urban areas. Remediation and redevelopment of the estimated 5 ...

Long-duration energy storage (LDES) is a key resource in enabling zero-emissions electricity grids but its role within different types of grids is not well understood. Using the Switch capacity ...

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A more diverse set of CDR approaches could have important benefits and costs for energy-water-land systems. Here we use an integrated assessment model to assess a complete suite of CDR ...

For instance, bioenergy with carbon capture and storage (BECCS) is land- and water-intensive 8,9, while direct air capture with carbon storage (DACCS) is highly energy-intensive and can increase ...

More broadly, both the logistics (piping) and the geological storage capacity requirements for large-scale application of carbon capture and storage infrastructure also carry large land-use ...

The technological evolution of energy storage systems transforms traditional land use configurations. Advanced battery technologies, such as flow batteries or solid-state ...

In terms of land use, tailings storage facilities can cover half of the area of disturbance 33. Waste rock dumps and voids, including open pits and underground workings, cover most of the ...

a Annual land-use CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, representing the net land carbon flux for the baseline scenario (black line), two permanent storage scenarios (solid red and blue lines) and two temporary storage ...

One of the major developments in on-grid PV systems during this period was the increasing use of energy storage systems, which allow users to store excess energy generated during the day for use at night. ... This hybrid system can take advantage of the complementary nature of solar and wind energy: solar panels produce more electricity during ...

The quantity of energy that could be produced solely within the built environment (that is, "compatible"; conferring the least land-use or land-cover change) exceeds the energy needed to meet ...

Utility-scale energy storage solutions play a pivotal role in transitioning towards renewable energy systems. 1. Energy storage is crucial for balancing supply and demand, 2. ...

The purpose of this study is to present an overview of energy storage methods, uses, and recent developments. The emphasis is on power industry-relevant, environmentally ...

Nature Energy - The traditional understanding of obstacles to climate change action highlights economic costs and free-riding. ... our model projects cumulative global oil and gas use up to 2050 ...

Electrolytic production of hydrogen using low-carbon electricity can contribute 1,2,3 to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas (GHG) emission goals and keep global warming below 2 °C. In 2020, global ...

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deployment, we will look at models and recommendations for land use permitting and environmental review compliance for battery energy storage projects with a particular focus on California, which is leading the nation in deploying utility ...

The adverse impacts of solar energy development on biodiversity, water, soil, air quality, cultural values, and land-use and land-cover change have been of increasing interest in both local-scale ...

We use a site in Tibet, China to illustrate the calculations (Fig. 1b, c). With a 50 m dam height, the energy storage costs are the highest at 11.7 US\$ MWh<sup>-1</sup>. Most of the costs are related to the ...

The construction of shared energy storage projects on enclosed land surfaces may conflict with cultural or socio-economic human activities including recreation, farming, and ...

The CO<sub>2</sub>-driven climate-carbon feedback framework considers the biogeochemical climate effects of increased CO<sub>2</sub> concentration that may come from both fossil fuel and land-use change carbon ...

Onsite production of gigawatt-scale wind- and solar-sourced hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) at industrial locations depends on the ability to store and deliver otherwise-curtailed H<sub>2</sub> during times of power shortages.

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