

Nye County Load Serving Utility Information

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Nye</b>
<b>Load Serving Utility (1)</b>	<b>NV Energy (Sierra Pacific Power)</b>
<b>Allows Net-metering</b>	Yes, subject to Public Utilities Commission of Nevada rulings.
<b>Purchases Renewable Energy</b>	Yes, NV Energy is currently compliant with Nevada's Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) and has said they have met their mandate for the foreseeable future.
<b>Incentives for Renewable Energy</b>	Renewable Generations Program incentivizes installation of residential solar, wind, and hydro generators, subject to Public Utilities Commission of Nevada rulings. The maximum project size is 500 kW.
<b>Other Information</b>	Four utility scale solar projects were approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada and are expected to be in construction phase through 2017.
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.nvenergy.com">www.nvenergy.com</a>
<b>Transmission Access</b>	The 235-mile, 500 kV ON Line transmission line began commercial activity in 2014. In January 2016, NV Energy and LS Power were selected to jointly construct the expansion of ON Line to the Eldorado substation near Boulder City.
<b>Load Serving Utility (2)</b>	<b>Valley Electric Association (VEA) – parts of the County</b>
<b>Allows Net-metering</b>	Yes, for 30 kilowatts (kW) or smaller hydro, wind, or solar systems, subject to Nevada Public Utility Commission rulings.
<b>Purchases Renewable Energy</b>	A 15 MW solar energy project is expected to be complete by August 2016.
<b>Incentives for Renewable Energy</b>	Solar Water Heating Program - Zero Down and 100% financing plus a 30% Federal Tax Credit for those who qualify.
<b>Other information</b>	<p>On June 26, 2008, VEA collaborated to install a wind generator on top of Rosemary Clark Middle School in Nye County, for educational purposes.</p> <p>On December 1, 2015, VEA joined the American Business Act on Climate Pledge. Specific pledges include facilitating the development of 200 megawatt (MW) of new renewable energy projects in VEA service area by 2025; complete a 15 MW solar energy project in Pahrump, Nevada by August 2016; and development of 50 MW of advanced energy storage to implement by 2020.</p>
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.vea.coop">www.vea.coop</a>
<b>Transmission Access</b>	VEA became a Participating Transmission Operator member of the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) in 2013. The Northwest Transmission Loop was completed in 2013 and encompassed five substations and 80 miles of transmission lines.