

Why Big Solar So Close to Santa Fe?

- Warming planet increases aridity and increases wildfire risk
- Two 115KV lines serve community
- If one 115KV line turned off, rolling blackouts result
- Santa Fe very dependent on electricity from afar:
 - For tourism, state government, and most homes
- Higher temperatures result in sagging powerlines, reduced capacity
- Wind whips the lines together, causing arcing damage and sparking
- We have better fire protection closer to town than on long powerline routes

Power lines serving Santa Fe – 2 x 115KV

