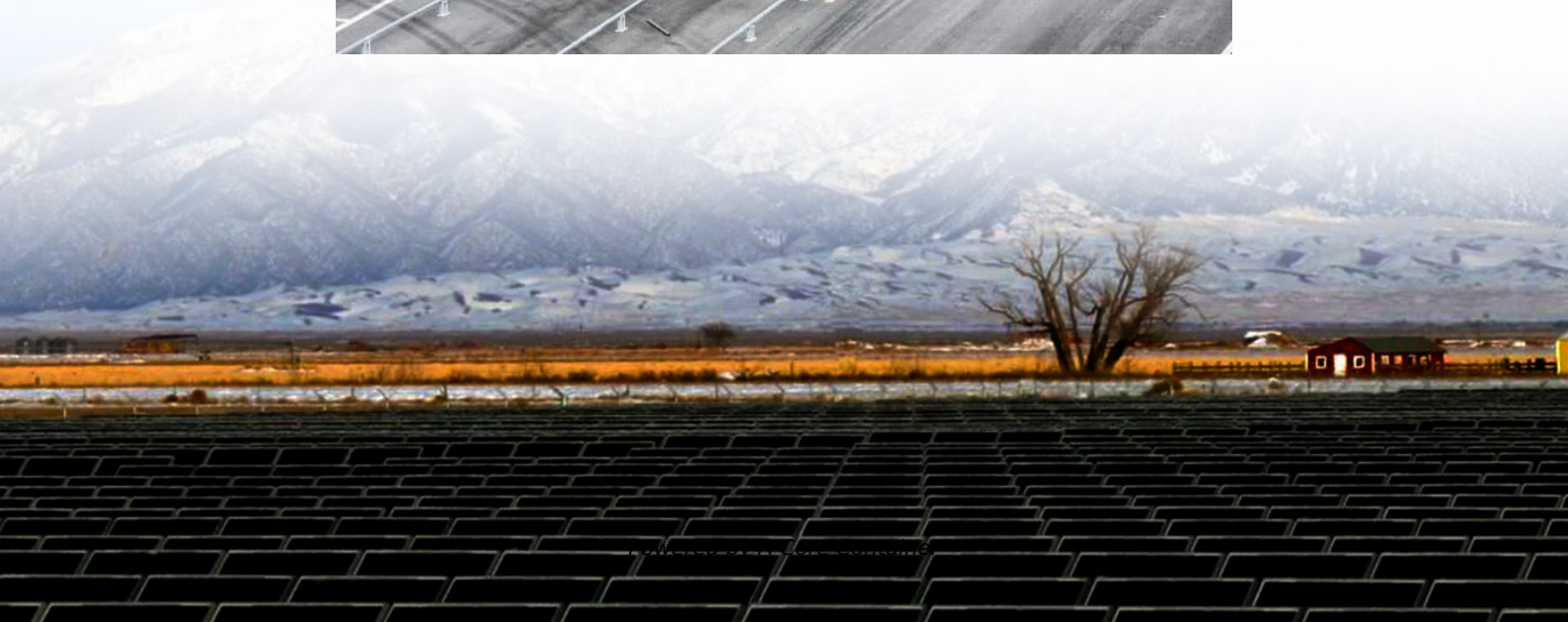


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# Ecuador 2025 Energy Storage Project



## Overview

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When will Ecuador start constructing a solar power plant?

In 2023, the Energy Ministry released tenders for a 500 MW renewable block (wind, biomass, solar), 400 MW Natural Gas Combined Cycle Power Plant (CCCP), and a Northeast Transmission System to supply the Ecuadorian oil system. From these tenders, only the Villonaco project has started construction as of August 2025.

How much energy did Ecuador lose in 2024?

According to Ecuador's Central Bank, power outages caused economic losses of about \$2 billion in 2024. In 2024, Ecuador's generation capacity was 9,255 megawatts (MW), of which 5,686 MW (61 percent) was renewable energy sources, and 3,569 MW (39 percent) was non-renewable energy sources (fossil fuels derived from oil and natural gas).

Will Ecuador get a nuclear power plant?

In May 2025, Ecuador became a member of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). The next step is to enact the legal framework to oversee and regulate nuclear energy. Only after the legal framework is in place could the Energy Ministry issue a public procurement for the first nuclear power plant in Ecuador.

Will Ecuador build a new hydropower plant in 2025?

In 2025, the Government of Ecuador announced plans to build additional hydropower plant capacity in the West where rainfall is plentiful to offset droughts in the East. The 254-MW Toachi Pilaton thermal plant (254 MW) came online in 2025, six years behind schedule.

How did Ecuador's power outages affect economic activity in 2024?

During a prolonged dry season in 2024, Ecuador's over-reliance on hydropower (78 percent of total generation) resulted in daily blackouts of up

to 14 hours, hurting economic activity. According to Ecuador's Central Bank, power outages caused economic losses of about \$2 billion in 2024.

What type of energy does Ecuador use?

Ecuador's renewable energy is comprised of hydro power (5,419 MW), biomass (1550 MW), wind (71 MW), photovoltaic (29 MW), and biogas (11 MW). Hydroelectric power plants are in three regions: coastal (2 provinces), Andes (9 provinces), and Amazon (4 provinces).

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