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Overview

Solar grazing is an innovative practice gaining momentum across the United States, where sheep graze beneath and around solar panels on solar farms. Solar shepherds, who manage sheep grazing under solar panels, are part of a growing movement that combines agriculture and renewable energy — and offers high incomes in the process. Early results suggest the pairing can work—and may even offer welfare and wool-quality upsides when. Western professor Joshua Pearce collaborated with professional shepherd Rafael Lara on a study that shows the profitability of “solar” sheep, raised specifically to trim grass and weeds under traditional solar panels or agrivoltaic arrays.

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'Solar Shepherds' Earn Big by Grazing Sheep on Solar Farms

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Farmers See Huge Potential in Pairing Sheep With Solar Power

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1,700 sheep walked through solar panels--scientists were stunned by ...

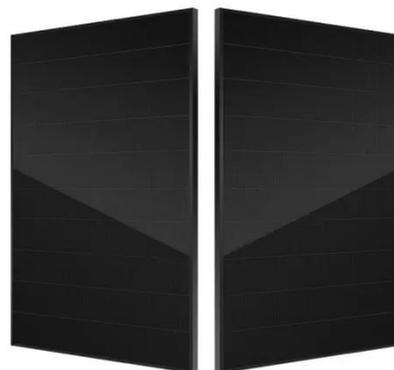
At New South Wales' Wellington Solar Farm, a multi-year trial compared sheep grazing under photovoltaic arrays with those on open pasture, asking whether clean power and livestock can ...

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1,700 sheep installed between solar panels, a surprising change

In a groundbreaking study that combines renewable energy with traditional farming practices, researchers have

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Sheep and Solar: A Perfect Match

Solar energy and sheep can coexist--and even benefit from each other. Sheep and solar panels work hand in hand to generate enough power for a small town.

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Grazing 'solar' sheep offer lucrative solution for farmers, Western

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