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# National Weather Service Miramar PV Project

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# Project Description

- 10kWac Grid-Tied PV system
- 96 Kyocera KC120-1, 120W polycrystal modules
  - (4 parallel strings of 24 modules wired in series)
- Inverter - Trace Technologies PV10, 10kWac, 208Vac, 60Hz
- Foot Print – 1768 square feet (26' by 68')
- Ancillary disconnects, transformer, & structural support
- System output is tied to the existing main disconnect
- Located at the Miramar Marine Corps Air Base. 15 miles NE of downtown San Diego.
- This is the first NWS PV project in the country!!!

# Project Costs

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|---|---|
| Engineering/validation | $15,000 |
| Construction | $84,792 |
| CEC rebate | $45,000 |
| Energy cost at time of study | $0.17/kWh |
| Savings-to-investment ration (SIR)* | 0.96 |
| Simple payback period | 18 yrs |

*** Did not include Peak Demand reduction savings**

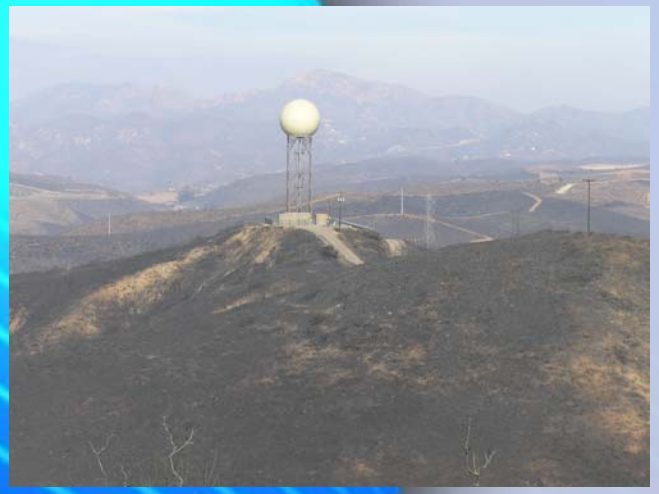
# Performance

| Period | Expected | Actual |
|---|---|---|
| August 2002 | 56.01 kW | 61.53 kW |
| 2002 | 16,233 kW | 6,318.73 kW* |
| 2003 | 16,071 kW | 15,842.93 kW |
| 2004 | 15,910 kW | 9,249.87 kW** |

***Only five months from August to December**

**** From 1/1/04 to 7/26/04 only**

# Intangible Benefits



- It is the first NWS PV system.
- Consistent with our NOAA mission of fostering global environmental stewardship.
- It has the potential for duplication at similar sites.
- Sure came in handy during the late 2003 fire storm in southern California.