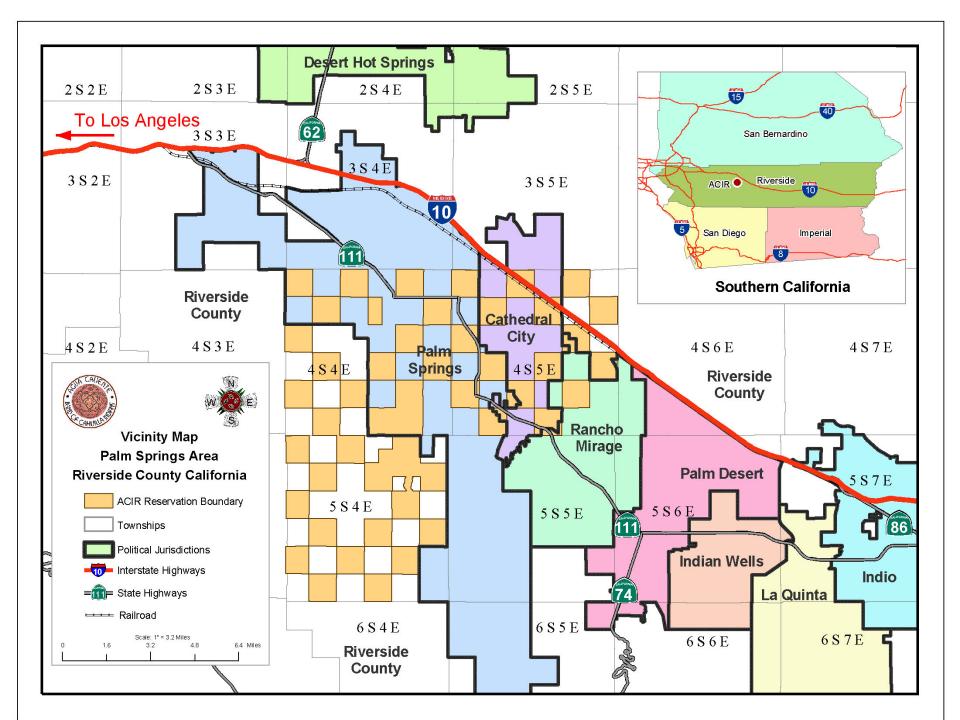


# AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS



TRADING POST OFF GRID SOLAR SYSTEM





#### Indian Canyons Trading Post

- 700sq. ft. building located 2 miles from the electrical grid
- Open 7 days a week (weekends only during summer)
- Power previously provided by an aging 15kW propane generator
- Soaring maintenance and operation costs/reliability issues
- Noisy backup trailer diesel generator put into fulltime use
- Multiple options considered in 2008
  - 2005 BIA Mineral Assessment grant
  - 2007 DOE First Steps grant







### Trading Post Solar Project

- ☐ Completed in Two Phases 2008-09
- 7.5kW backup diesel generator
- □ 1-2 Day Battery Backup (48V)
- 8.25kW Solar System
- 30 PV Panels
- Fully Automated











#### Project Challenges/Lessons Learned

- 24/7 365 days/year operational requirement
- Site restrictions
- System sizing
- Limited options
- "Hands free"



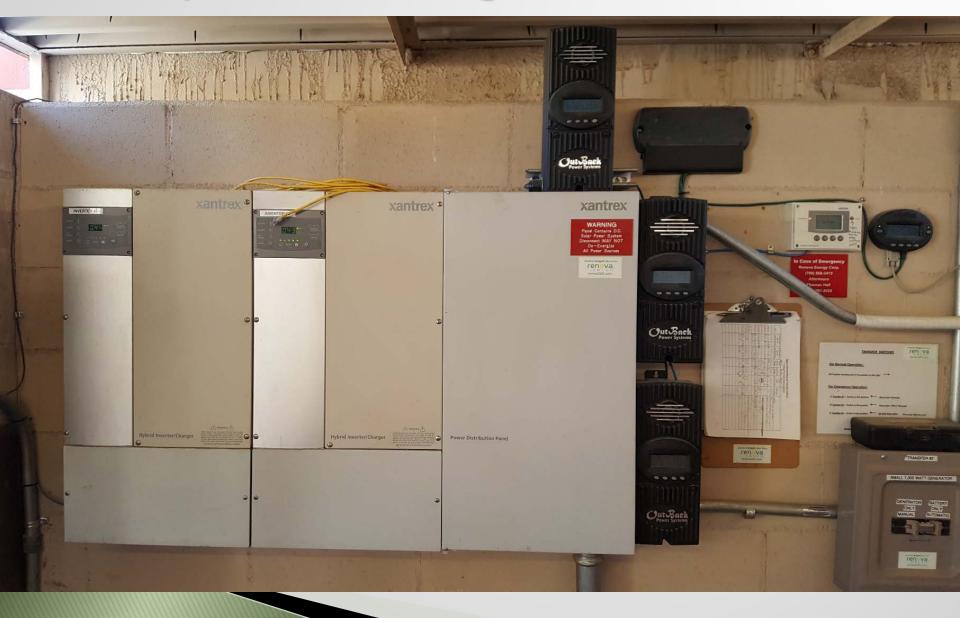


- Built-in redundancy
- Troubleshooting difficulties
- Compatibility issues

## Compatibility Issues



### **Updated Charge Controllers**



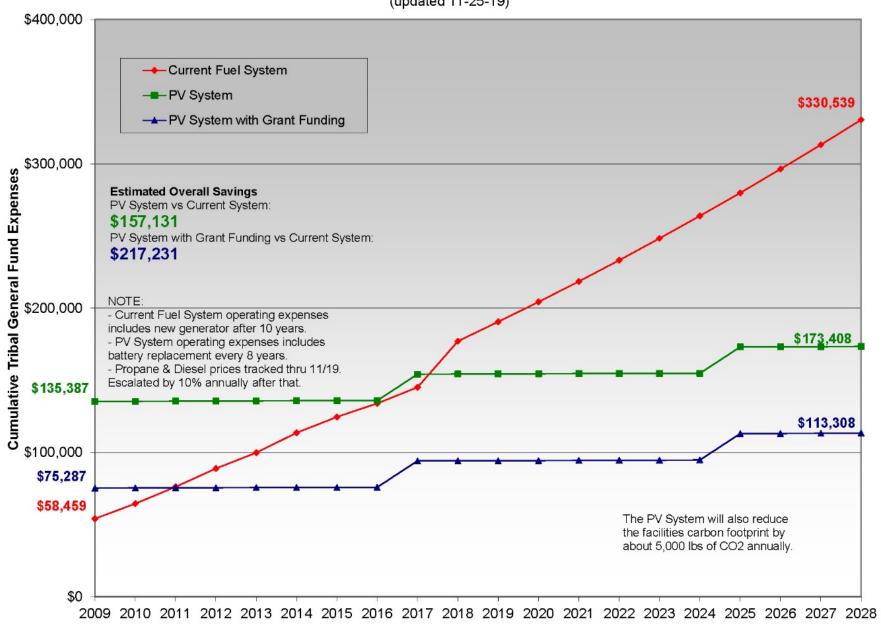
#### Remote Monitoring/Cellular Internet Issues





#### **Trading Post Power System 20-Year Cost Comparison**

(updated 11-25-19)





# Questions?

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