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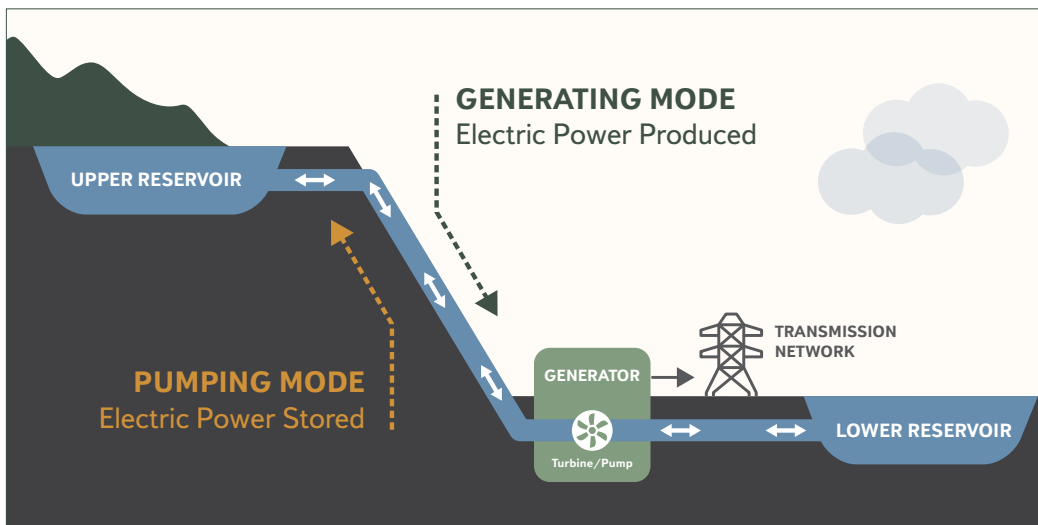
Pumped Storage Project

A Bright Energy Future for Southeastern Kentucky

The Lewis Ridge Pumped Storage Project builds upon the region's energy-producing legacy and skilled workforce to develop critical infrastructure that will power the nation for generations.

Located in Bell County on former mine lands, the **\$1.3 billion** pumped storage project offers a cost-effective, reliable way to store and deliver electricity over long periods. The 266-MW hydropower facility will provide more than **2,300 family-wage** construction jobs, drive rural economic development, and support the region's growing energy storage needs.

PUMPED STORAGE HYDRO: A GIANT WATER BATTERY



Pumped storage is the world's largest, most proven form of energy storage, representing **more than 90%** of all utility-scale storage in the U.S.

Pumped storage acts like a battery, moving water between two reservoirs at different elevations. During periods of low electricity demand, excess energy is used to pump water from the lower reservoir to the upper reservoir. When electricity demand is high, the stored water is released, passing through turbines to generate electricity.



PROJECT AT A GLANCE

Mine lands
to energy
storage

\$1.3 billion
investment

Creates
2,300
construction jobs

Powers
70,000
homes

Offers
8 hours
of energy storage

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY BENEFITS



Creates quality jobs:

Supports 2,300 family-wage construction jobs.



Provides workforce training:

Apprentices can earn money while learning a trade.



Supports schools, roads, parks and safety:

Once completed, generates about **\$16.5 million** annually in tax revenue for Bell County.



Boosts the local economy:

Contributes an estimated **\$104 million** into the local economy during construction, benefiting local businesses.

Who is developing the project?

Rye Development is leading a new generation of pumped storage hydropower in the U.S. Rye is a partnership between EDF power solutions and Climate Adaptive Infrastructure—two global leaders in utility-scale energy storage. Learn more:

www.RyeDevelopment.com

Project location Bell County, Kentucky

Timeline



March 2022

FERC issued preliminary permit



October 2022

Rye filed a pre-application document (PAD) and Notice of Intent to file an application with FERC



September 2024

Rye filed the Draft License Application to FERC



June 2025

Rye filed the Final License Application to FERC



Q2 2027

FERC license issuance anticipated



2024 - 2027

Design phase



2027 - 2031

Construction



2031

Commercial operation date

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