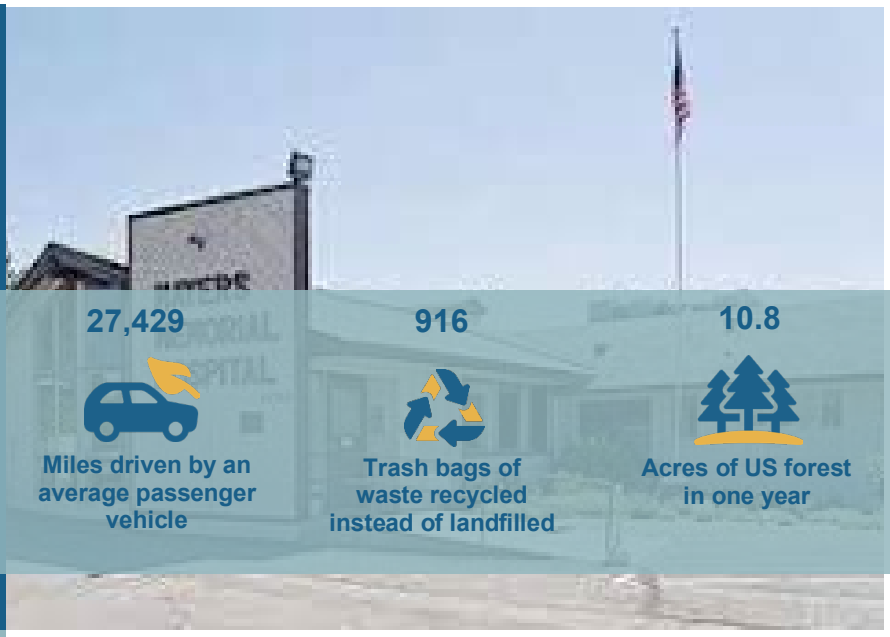
Mayers Memorial Healthcare District

Fall River Mills, CA



Project Investment: $2.4M

Energy Savings: $5.64 over 25 years

Construction: August 2025

Project Duration: 10 months

Solar Size: 668 kW-DC Ground Mount

State & Federal Rebates: $1.5 M

Contract Type: Design Build

This forward-thinking approach will enable us to store excess energy and reduce our dependency on the electrical grid during peak demand or emergencies, ensuring continuity of care for our patients.

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

Mayers Memorial Healthcare District (MMHD) in Fall River Mills, California, launched a major solar project in 2024 to reduce rising energy costs, lower carbon footprint, and increase operational resilience. Recognizing rural healthcare facilities' financial and environmental challenges, MMHD partnered with Veregy Pacific, LLC, under a design-build contract authorized by California Government Code 4217.10–4217.18. The solar installation is located at the district's Fall River Campus, with construction beginning in April 2024 and completion expected within one year.

The $2.5 million project includes a solar grid with provisions for future battery storage to enhance energy reliability and grid independence further. Over 25 years, the project is projected to save MMHD more than $5.6 million in electricity costs, supported by over $1.5 million in combined state and federal rebates. These savings are expected to yield a net benefit of $4.65 million to the healthcare district, reinforcing its commitment to long-term fiscal responsibility and environmental stewardship.

MMHD engaged the community throughout the planning process, hosting a public comment session during a board meeting and publishing project details in the local newspaper. The district ensured transparency, efficient delivery, and alignment with its mission to provide sustainable, high-quality healthcare by involving local stakeholders and choosing a design-build approach. The solar initiative is a model for rural hospitals seeking practical, cost-effective energy solutions.