

# The role of raising sheep under photovoltaic panels



## Overview

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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. This innovative approach, known as agrivoltaics, is revolutionizing how we think about land use while yielding. Discover how solar grazing with sheep supports renewable energy, improves soil health, and benefits farmers, as practiced by the American Grassfed Association producers.

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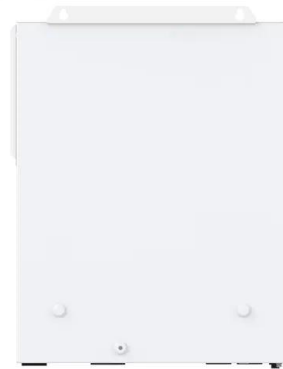


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Sheep are small and nimble and can graze under the panels, even those that are low to the ground, and reduce the need for motorized mowing. In turn, the panels provide shade and ...



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In a groundbreaking study that combines renewable energy with traditional farming practices, researchers have observed remarkable changes in 1,700 sheep grazing amidst solar panels.



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

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