

Tenaska Trailblazer Energy Center is a solid investment in the future of West Texas!



West Texas would build upon its reputation as a leader in the nation's advanced energy solutions if the Tenaska Trailblazer Energy Center, proposed near Sweetwater, becomes a reality.

The first-of-its kind facility would be hailed internationally as the first new conventional, coal-fueled plant in the U.S. capable of capturing 85 to 90 percent of the carbon dioxide (CO₂) it produces on a commercial scale. It would show Americans a viable way to help clean up the air, reach energy independence, and keep energy costs low.

This next-generation plant, fueled by pure American coal, would demonstrate how existing coal-fueled facilities can operate in more environmentally responsible ways.

The facility's estimated project cost of more than \$3 billion, thousands of construction jobs produced, and hundreds of millions in spending during its 50-year life will help **propel the West Texas economy through good and bad economic times.**

The Tenaska Trailblazer Energy Center, would be a significant economic boon to this region, according to a study by TXP, Inc., a Texas economic analysis and public policy consulting firm. The plant would bring well-paying jobs with benefits, an injection of local buying power, new tax revenue to support local services and enhanced oil production in the Permian Basin—**all of which would mean renewed opportunities for long-term growth and prosperity in the region.** TXP's report, *The Potential Economic and Tax Revenue Impact of the Tenaska Trailblazer Energy Center*, finds:

- Construction of Trailblazer would inject more than **\$742 million in economic activity into Nolan County and the surrounding area over five years and provide about 1,500 jobs at peak.**
- After completion, the plant would add 105 jobs at the plant, an estimated 71 jobs in the community due to increased local spending, and **more than \$300 million annually in economic activity over the projected 50-year life of the project.**
- Trailblazer would add **more than \$1 billion (in 2014 dollars) in taxable property** to the Nolan County tax rolls.
- The additional enhanced oil recovery from the plant's CO₂ production could **increase annual Permian Basin oil production by more than 10 million barrels a year.**

The economic boost and the large scale of the Trailblazer project would help this area secure its future as a national leader in clean energy technology.

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