

Crew prepares to drive the solar mounting system into the ground.

Solar construction underway

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PUTNEY - Construction of a 147kW community-owned solar array is underway in Putney. The project is a year in the making and is expected to be online producing power by the end of the summer.

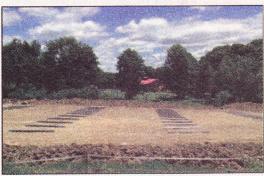
The community array allows anyone to own panels and have electricity credited monthly on their utility bill. Panel owners will receive all the benefits of solar without making any changes to their property.

Those who rent, don't have space, or can't afford

the high up-front cost of a home system can own part of a large array. With financing, panels can be purchased for as little as \$20 a month.

To date the array has over 25 panel owners accounting for more than two thirds of the available capacity. The array is expected to be sold out completely before construction is completed.

For more information on Putney's community solar array contact SunFarm Community Solar at www.vtsolargardens.com or email info@vtsolargardens.com.



ABOVE: Panel racking laid out and ready to go in. RIGHT: Machinery driving the in the first mount. BELOW: Two mounts in with the rest soon to come.



