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Solar pump system design



Overview

How do you design a solar water pumping system?

When designing a solar pumping system, the designer must match the individual components together. A solar water pumping system consists of three major components: the solar array, pump controller and electric water pump (motor and pump) as shown in Figure 1.

What is a solar pump system?

In this tutorial, we delve into the intricacies of designing a solar pump system, a sustainable solution harnessing solar energy for water pumping. Ideal for remote or off-grid locations, these systems are increasingly pivotal in modern agriculture, livestock management, and rural water supply.

What are the components of a solar water pumping system?

A solar water pumping system consists of three major components: the solar array, pump controller and electric water pump (motor and pump) as shown in Figure 1. Note: Motor and pump are typically directly connected by one shaft and viewed as one unit, however occasionally belts or gears may be used to interconnect the two shafts.

What does a solar water pump designer do?

The “solar water pump designer” shall be capable of: Using the manufacturers data sheets or software to select the most appropriate solar water pumping system. Litres is used within the book however the number of US gallons will be shown in brackets.

What is solar water pumping?

Solar water pumping provides a welcome alternative to fuel-burning generators for pumping water. Advantages of PV pumping systems include low operating cost, unattended operation, low maintenance, easy installation, and long life . Solar pumping systems require no fuel.

How to choose a solar water pumping system?

The type of solar water pumping system: borehole/well (submerged), floating or surface will depend on the water source. If the source is a borehole (proposed or existing) or deep well, then a submersible pump that fits the borehole or well should be selected. If the water source is a river, then a surface pump should usually be selected.

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