



Tennessee Solar for All Stakeholder Meeting

April 25, 2025

Agenda

- Program Status and Updates
 - EPA and NREL Engagement
 - EPA Reporting
 - EPA Audit
 - Program Design
- Save the Date: 2025 Solar + Storage Conference
- Timeline

Program Status and Updates – EPA and NREL Engagement

- Notified of EPA Project Officer's (PO) intention to take temporary leave
 - Replacement PO and effective dates to be determined
- Engagement ongoing with National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) for Program technical assistance (TA)
 - Initial draft scope of work was provided to TDEC by NREL on April 22, 2025, and is currently under review
- EPA anticipates releasing a Household Savings Calculator and additional guidance in May or June

Program Status and Updates – EPA Reporting

- Transaction and Project Level (TPL) Report was submitted on April 16, 2025
- Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP)
 - TDEC determined no adjustments needed to be made to the draft QAPP following the updated EPA General Terms and Conditions released March 25, 2025
 - A draft QAPP was submitted prior to the extended deadline of April 18, 2025
 - The draft QAPP is currently under review by the PO

Program Status and Updates – EPA Audit

- In March, the EPA Office of Inspector General (OIG) notified the Office of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) of the intent to begin an internal audit of the Solar for All Program
 - https://www.epaoig.gov/sites/default/files/document/2025-03/oig_notification_memo_oa-fy25-0043.pdf
 - Audit includes emphasis on federal consumer protection laws, including the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, the Truth in Lending Act, and the Consumer Financial Protection Act
 - The audit is ongoing, and no additional information has been released

Program Status and Updates – Program Design

- Tennessee Solar for All Program design is still in development and will be further informed by forthcoming EPA guidance.
- TDEC OEP is developing multiple funding solicitations, which are expected to be released later this calendar year
- TDEC OEP will be reaching out to stakeholders to revisit workforce development aspects of our Program and workplan

Save the Date: 2025 Solar + Storage Conference

- Tennessee Solar Energy Industry Association 2025 Solar + Storage Conference
 - The event will take place **October 29-30** in Nashville
 - <https://tenneseiasolar.com/conference/>

Timeline

9/1/24 Notice of Award - Program/Budget start date

2/5/25 QMP adoption approved by EPA

3/06/25 Kickoff NREL TA Discussions

4/18/25 Draft QAPP submitted

12/18/24 – 12/18/25 Planning Period

3/03/25 Resume meetings with EPA and new PO

4/16/25 TPL Report submitted