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Focus

Texas Innovation Infrastructure



The Problem

Texas faces a convergence of infrastructure challenges that demand bold, innovative solutions. The status quo is no longer sustainable.

ERCOT Grid Strain

Texas's independent power grid faces mounting pressure from surging data center demand, extreme weather events, and rapid population growth — pushing the system toward its limits.

High Water Usage

Conventional data centers consume millions of gallons of water annually for cooling — a critical liability in drought-prone Texas where water scarcity is an escalating crisis.

Visibility & Community Opposition

Large industrial facilities face fierce local resistance. Aesthetic impact, noise pollution, and perceived environmental harm drive community opposition that stalls critical projects.

Abandoned Quarries & Sand Pits

Texas is dotted with hundreds of abandoned quarries and sand pits — scarred, unproductive land sitting idle, representing both an environmental liability and an untapped opportunity.



THE SOLUTION

Repurpose. Power. Restore.

Transform abandoned Texas quarries and sand pits into **hidden underground data centers** — powered by Small Modular Reactors (SMR) — with flexible surface restoration into a vibrant mixed-use Innovation Park.

→ Repurpose Quarries

Convert idle, scarred excavations into world-class underground data infrastructure.

→ SMR Clean Power

On-site Small Modular Reactors deliver reliable, carbon-free electricity independent of the ERCOT grid.

→ Surface Innovation Park

Restore the surface into a thriving mixed-use campus that benefits the surrounding community.

How It Works

A carefully engineered system that leverages the natural geometry of quarry excavations to create a world-class, invisible data center infrastructure.

Quarry Assessment

Underground Build

SMR Power Install

Surface Restoration



Multi-Level Structure

Large multi-level data center built inside the existing quarry excavation, maximizing the natural volume of the site.



Wide Tunnel Ramp Access

Purpose-built wide tunnel ramps allow full semi-truck access for equipment delivery, maintenance, and operations.



SMR Power On-Site

Small Modular Reactor positioned on surface or adjacent property delivers clean, reliable, grid-independent power.



Flexible Surface Treatment

Full cap with landscaping, terraced structures rising to ground level, or buildings extending above the rim – tailored to each site.

Surface Development

The surface becomes a **flexible mixed-use Innovation Park** — a thriving community asset with optional Tech and Medical components that generate lasting economic value.



Smart Hospital

State-of-the-art medical facility leveraging on-site clean power and data infrastructure for next-generation patient care.



Tech Hub & Innovation Campus

A magnet for technology companies, startups, and R&D operations drawn by reliable power, connectivity, and talent.



University Research Facilities

Partnerships with UT, Texas A&M, and Baylor bring world-class research, talent pipelines, and academic prestige to the site.

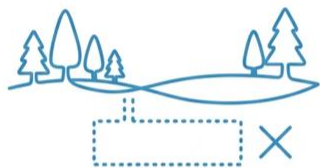


Green Space & Amenities

Parks, trails, and community amenities transform a former industrial scar into a beloved public asset and quality-of-life destination.

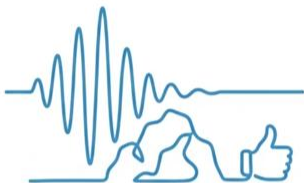
Addressing Community Concerns

Every major objection to traditional data center development is directly resolved by the Hidden Quarry model — turning opposition into community support.



VISIBILITY

Data center fully hidden underground.



NOISE

Near-silent surface, sound absorbed.



WATER USAGE

Near-zero consumption, closed-loop.



ELECTRICITY

Net power exporter, strengthens grid.

✓ **Visibility:** The data center is fully hidden underground — invisible from the surface, with zero industrial aesthetic impact on surrounding neighborhoods.

✓ **Noise:** Underground placement within solid rock dramatically reduces operational noise. Surface activity is minimal and manageable.

① **Water Usage:** Closed-loop cooling systems consume near-zero water — a transformative improvement over conventional data centers that use millions of gallons annually.

☐ **Electricity:** On-site SMR makes the facility a **net power exporter** — strengthening the local grid rather than straining it.



Environmentally Friendly

The Hidden Quarry Innovation Park doesn't just minimize environmental harm — it actively **reverses decades of industrial damage** while setting a new standard for sustainable infrastructure.



Reclaims Brownfields

Transforms abandoned, scarred quarry land into productive, beautiful, community-serving infrastructure — restoring ecological and aesthetic value to neglected sites across Texas.



Near-Zero Water Consumption

Closed-loop cooling technology eliminates the massive water footprint of conventional data centers, preserving Texas's precious and increasingly scarce water resources.



Net Energy Provider

Rather than consuming grid power, the on-site SMR generates surplus clean electricity — making the facility a net contributor to Texas's energy supply and grid stability.



Economic Impact

The Hidden Quarry Innovation Park delivers transformative economic benefits to Texas communities, counties, and the state — creating lasting prosperity from previously idle land.

1000s

High-Wage Jobs

Construction, operations, tech, medical, and research positions — permanent, well-paying careers anchored in the local community.

\$B+

Tax Revenue & Land Value

Significant property tax revenue, sales tax generation, and dramatic uplift in surrounding land values benefit local governments and residents.

Top 3

Texas Data Center Boom

Texas ranks among the top US data center markets. Strong investor returns driven by surging demand, favorable regulation, and business-friendly environment.

Investment Overview

The Hidden Quarry Innovation Park is structured for phased development — allowing a proven pilot to de-risk the path to full-scale deployment.

- ❏ Texas's pro-business environment, abundant quarry sites, and surging data center demand create an exceptional window of opportunity for first-mover advantage.



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Pilot Project (20–50 MW)

\$300M – \$800M — Proves the model, establishes operations, and demonstrates community and environmental benefits at manageable scale.

2

Full Project Deployment

\$1B – \$3B+ — Full-scale underground data center campus with complete Innovation Park surface development and SMR power infrastructure.

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State & Local Incentives

Excellent incentive programs available through Texas state, county, and municipal governments — significantly improving project economics and investor returns.