

34.5/115 kV Solar Power Plant & Substation Senior Design Project

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Agenda

- Safety Moment
- ACAD Title Block
- Array Layout
 - Excel and ACAD
- Voltage Drops



Safety Moment - Enhancing Employee Safety with two-way communication

- Definition: conversation involves two parties, one sending and receiving messages.
- Purpose: Ensures information is delivered promptly through real-time information alerts, tap into emergency resources and help employee feel secure through easy access of information.
- Why is it important to have effective two-way communication?

Emergencies/issues create confusion, chaos and danger towards the organization. One-way communication and alerts caused false information. Two-way communication tool helps employees to be prepared safety precaution.

Effective system

- Confirmations - message sent and received by right POC
- Wellness checks - surveys or report about the current condition
- Conference calls - get-together between stakeholders during emergency
- Event alerts - provide information and access to necessary precaution tasks/rule.

Method to alert emergencies

- Multilingual emergency alert - more comprehensive
- Social media emergency alert - reach greater audience
- Remote alerts - send alert to device off-site
- Alerting employees in sequential order
 - alerting related groups of employees to reduce/avoid panic



What we worked on

- Finalize equipments (PV cells, Combiner Box, Inverter skids)
- Array tool and Simple Array Layout
- AutoCAD title block and sheet sets



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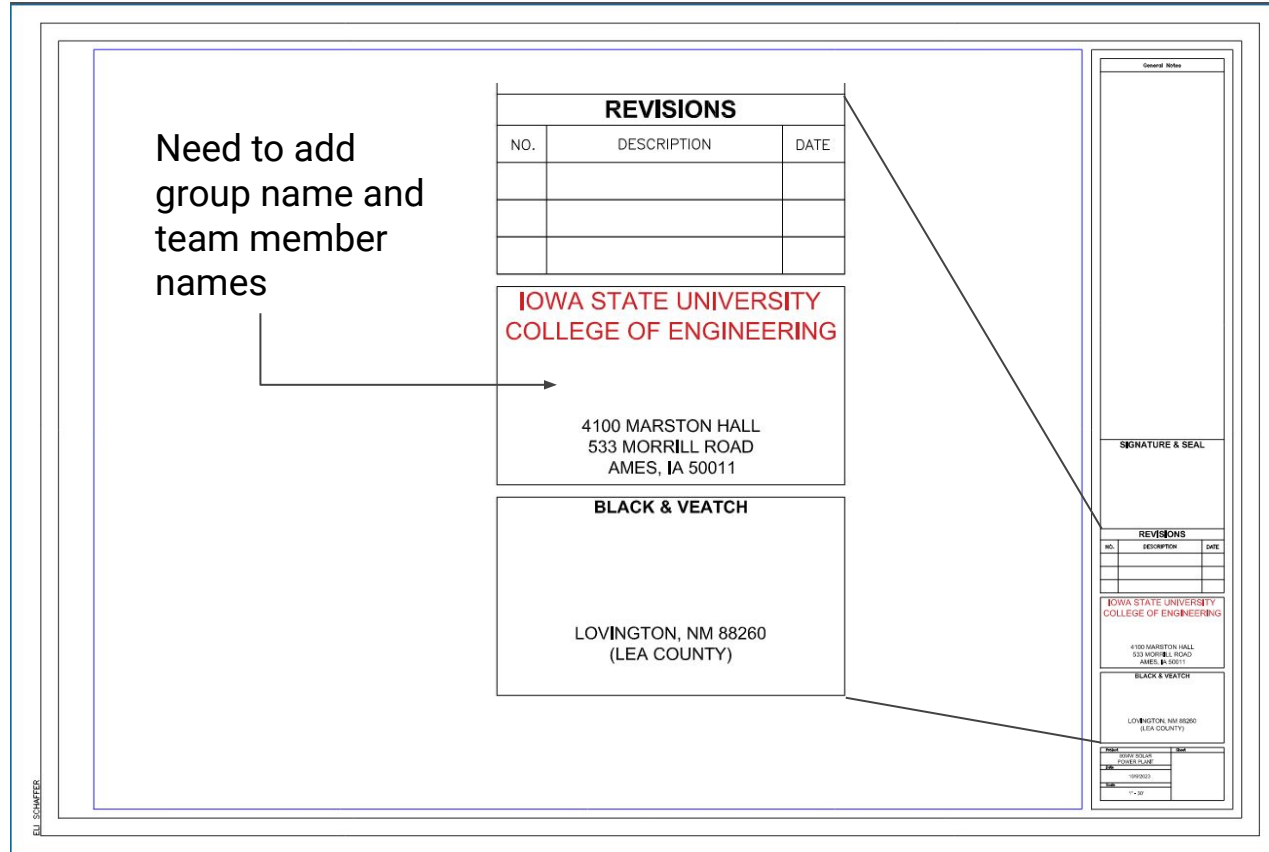
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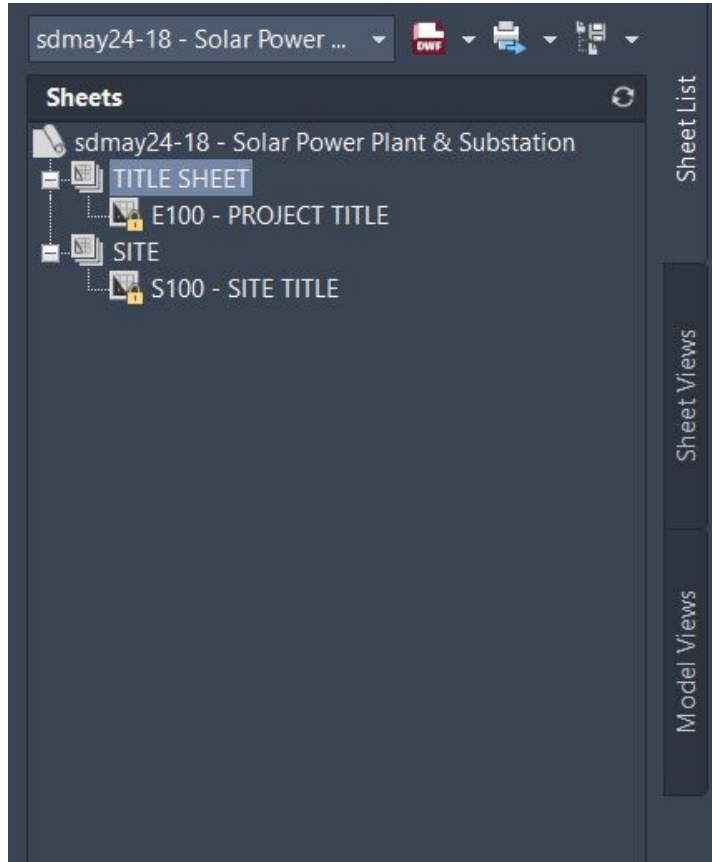
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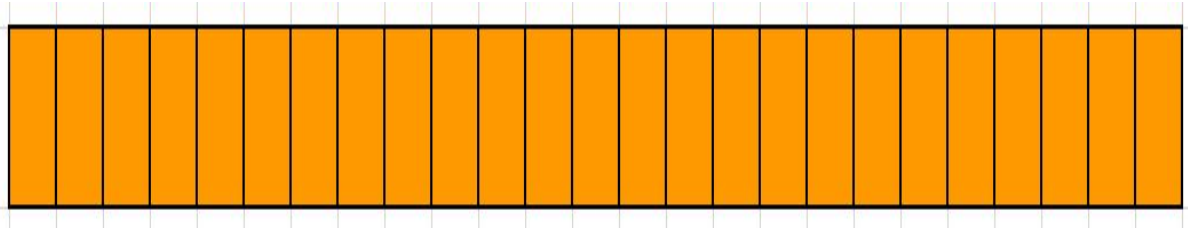
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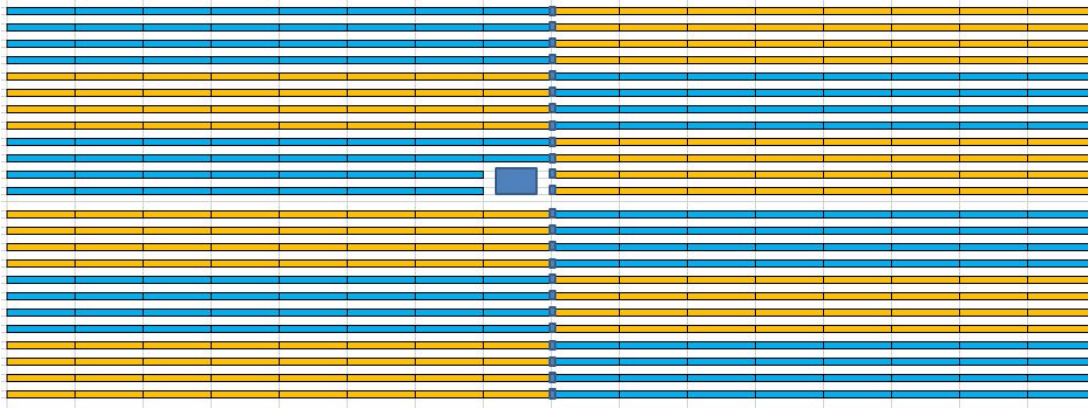
- Still working on additional sets and sheets that will be needed for final deliverables



Array Layout - Excel



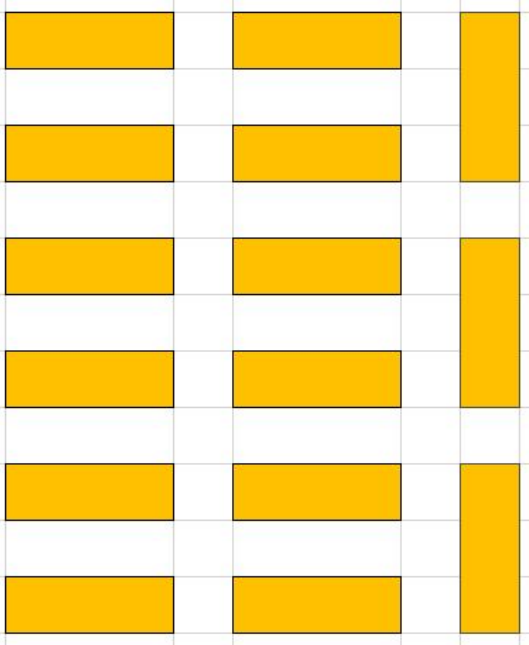
Design for 1 rack:
25 modules in series



Design for 1 array:
16 racks per row, 24 rows per array
2 racks removed for inverter
24 combiner boxes per array (1 per row)
15 arrays total



Array Layout - Excel



Overall Layout:

2 columns of 6 standard arrays

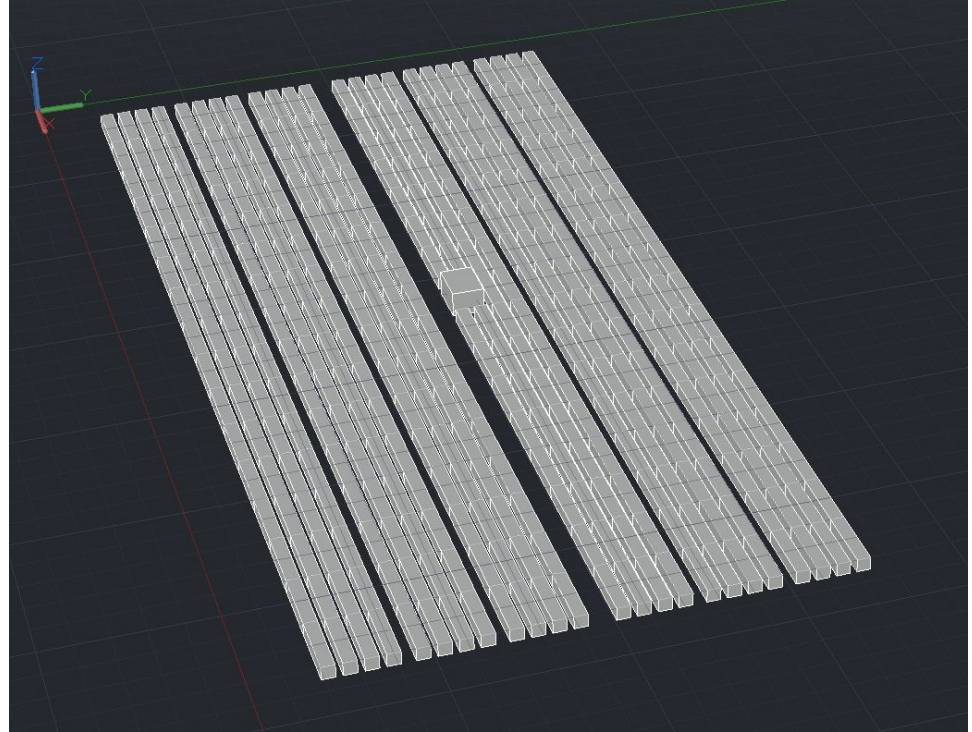
1 column of 3 rotated arrays

15 arrays total



Array Layout - AutoCAD

- 1 out of 15 array layout
- Simple but not the final design
- Only has panels and inverter at the moment



Voltage Drop Calcs

- DC
 - Factor affecting DC Voltage Drop
 - Wire
 - Current
- AC
 - Factor affecting AC Voltage Drop
 - Wire Resistance
 - Current magnitude and phase
 - Inductance and Capacitance
 - Frequency of the AC

$$V_d = \frac{2LR_2I}{1000}$$

Where: V_d = voltage drop over circuit length (volts)
 L = length of circuit (ft)
 R_2 = resistance of conductor from Equation (ohm/kft)
 I = maximum power current of circuit (amps)



Feedback and Updates

- Keep in mind we have a presentation for this semester
 - Present to BV first then to ISU
- Access space is access road
- MM and array tool, equip datasheets
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