

TN Energy Efficient Schools Initiative GSHP Program

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Ground Source Heat Pumps
Demonstration Projects



Three Tenn. School Districts in Program

- * Hamilton County Brainerd High School
- * Hardeman County Bolivar High School
- * Lawrence County Lawrence Public School and South Lawrence Elementary

Tenn. EESI Hy-GSHP Grant Program Administration

- Ron Graham, Executive Director EESI
- * Jay Enck, Program Administrator, CxGBS
- * Terry E. Townsend, Principal Investigator, Townsend Engineering/TAC-EESI



Types of HY-GSHP Systems

- GSHP Sized for Base Load; CT Sized for Peak Cooling Loads
- GSHP, CTs and Innovative Interior Distribution Loop Piping Concept
- GSHP, CTs, Innovative Interior Distribution Loop Piping Concept and Common Geothermal Loops Serving Multiple Buildings



Hamilton County Brainerd High School

- * Renovation Project 400 Tons
- * Vertical Bore-field, Cooling Tower, Combination of Fan Coil Units and Rooftop Units using Reverse-Return Interior Piping Loop. All pumps to have Variable Frequency Drives. Performance Monitoring thru BAS.
- * RFP for Consulting Engineering Design Services Selection Process Underway



Hamilton County Brainerd High School

Total Project Cost = \$4,120,000

DOE Grant Amount = \$1,676,160 (41%)

Estimated Simple Payback = 7.9 Years Estimated Life Cycle Payback = 5.0 Years



- Hardeman County Bolivar Central High School
 - * Combination Existing Loop Expansion + Renovation of a 2nd School Wing = 150 Tons
 - * Existing Vertical Bore-field with New Vertical Bore-field + Common Cooling Tower using both Reverse-Return (existing) & Single Pipe (new) Interior Loop Piping, VFD Pumps, and New BAS for Performance Monitoring
 - * Engineering Design Consultant Chosen



 Hardeman County Bolivar Central High School

Total Project Cost = \$1,545,000

DOE Grant Amount = \$721,680 (47%)

Estimated Simple Payback = 9.9 Years

Estimated Life Cycle Payback = 6.4 Years



Lawrence County Lawrence Public School

- * Renovation of Gym Facility's and Separate Cafeteria Facility's HVAC and DWH Systems = 65 Tons
- * Existing Horizontal Bore-field with Cooling Tower, Single Pipe Distribution Loop Serving Rooftops w/ERVs and Water-to-Water HPs and VFD Loop Pump. New BAS for Performance Monitoring
- * Engineering Design Consultant Chosen



Lawrence County Lawrence Public School

Total Project Cost = \$515,000

DOE Grant Amount = \$197,880 (38%)

Estimated Simple Payback = 11.6 Years

Estimated Life Cycle Payback = 7.7 Years



- Lawrence County South Lawrence Elementary School
 - * Renovation of Gym and Separate Fieldhouse
 Facility's HVAC and DWH Systems = 75 Tons
 - * Existing Horizontal Bore-field with Cooling Tower, Reverse-Return Distribution Loop Serving Rooftops w/ERVs, Packaged WSHPs and Water-to-Water HPs and VFD Loop Pump. New BAS for Performance Monitoring
 - * Engineering Design Consultant Chosen



 Lawrence County South Lawrence Elementary School

Total Project Cost = \$515,000

DOE Grant Amount = \$197,880 (38%)

Estimated Simple Payback = 12.2 Years

Estimated Life Cycle Payback = 7.7 Years



 Project Management Approach Principal Investigator – Coordinates All Grant & Funding Activities Between SDs, Program Administrator, TN EESI and DOE **Program Administrator** – Ensures Grant Program Meets Goals/Objectives Within Defined Time-lines and Conducts Cx Activities with Participating SDs During All **Project Phases**



Project Targets/Milestones

- * **Design Ø** Lawrence & Hardeman SDs = 6 Wks; Hamilton SD = 8 Wks → **THIS IS THE ONLY PHASE THAT DOE HAS RELEASED FUNDING TO EESI**
- * Construction Ø Lawrence SD = 6 Wks; Hardeman SD = 10 Wks; Hamilton SD = 40 Wks
- * Acceptance Ø Hamilton, Hardeman & Lawrence SDs = 4 Wks



Project Targets/Milestones

- * Warranty Ø Hardeman & Lawrence SDs = 2 Wks; Hamilton SD = 3 Wks
- * **Data Collection** Hamilton, Hardeman & Lawrence SDs = 2 Yrs
- * Grant Closeout Hamilton, Hardeman & Lawrence SDs = 4 Wks



- Roles, Responsibilities & Capabilities
 - * PI & Project Administrator + EESI/TAC Collective Hy-GSHP Experience > 75 Years
 - * Cx Experience with Hy-GSHP > 25 Years
 - * Performance Measurement & Monitoring Experience > 60 Years
 - * Performance Database > 20 Years



Future Direction by EESI

- * Based Upon the Hy-GSHP Installation Costs, Annual Performance and Annual O&M Costs, EESI will Promote the Most Cost Effective Hy-GSHP Concept(s) to the 130 SDs in TN Without Geothermal Systems
- * EESI will Provide One-time Grant Monies (per Prescriptive Guidelines) and/or Low Interest Loans to any SD Seeking to Install a Hy-GSHP System if Annual Cost Savings (Energy + O&M) will Repay Loan Amount

Future Awards by EESI

- * EESI will Provide Grant Funding @ \$1,000 per Ton for Hy-GSHP Applications per EESI Prescriptive Measure Guidelines (www.tn.gov/eesi/prescriptive)
- * EESI will Provide Low Interest (1 ½% to 2 ½%) Loans (max. term 12 years) to SDs Seeking to Install Hy-GSHPs as a Custom Application (www.tn.gov/eesi/custom) if Total Annual Savings (Energy + O&M) = Annual Loan Payments

- TN SDs Setting on "GO" for Hy-GSHP Funding by DOE (\$2 Million Req'd)
 - * Hardeman SD Middleton High School, 150 Tons (\$1,545,000); Building Renovation & Upgrade To Geothermal Stopped
 - * Lawrence SD Coffman Elementary, 120 Tons (\$1,235,000); Vertical Bore-field Installed; Construction Stopped
 - * Blount SD Morrison High School, 215 Tons (\$2,215,000); Vertical Bore-field Installed; Construction Stopped