

# Management measures for pumped storage of abandoned reservoirs

<div class="df\_qntext">Are abandoned coal mines repurposing into pumped storage hydropower?

Many coal mines are being abandoned for economic and environmental reasons in China. The repurposing of abandoned open-pit coal mines into pumped storage hydropower (PSH) can help with the storage of renewable energy, improve mine environments, and provide added economic value.

<div class="df\_qntext">Can pumped storage and sewage treatment be used in abandoned mines?

Based on the ground space resources, water resources, surrounding wind energy conditions, and photovoltaic conditions of the abandoned mine, a multi-energy complementary development and utilization design scheme suitable for pumped storage and sewage treatment can be proposed, as illustrated in Figure 8. Figure 8.

<div class="df\_qntext">Can a reservoir be used as a repurposing resource?

The study explores various repurposing scenarios, including use as a lower reservoir for an Underground Pumped Storage Hydropower (UPSH) plant, a reservoir for Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES), heat storage, or geothermal energy.

<div class="df\_qntext">Can abandoned mine spaces be used for energy storage?

In recent years, China has also launched several pilot projects utilizing abandoned mine spaces for energy storage. For example, provinces such as Shanxi, Anhui, and Guizhou have explored the transformation of mined-out coal areas into pumped storage systems, achieving a dual integration of energy utilization and environmental remediation.

<div class="df\_qntext">What is the underground reservoir of a pumped storage power station?

The underground reservoir of a pumped storage power station constitutes a vast system with multiphase and multi-physics coupling, encompassing factors such as the stability of surrounding rock, reservoir capacity, and groundwater dynamics.

<div class="df\_qntext">Can pumped storage hydropower systems be integrated with subterranean reservoirs?

This paper delves into cutting-edge models and attributes of integrating pumped storage hydropower systems with subterranean reservoirs and advanced wastewater treatment facilities within these decommissioned mines.

Overview of converting abandoned coal mines to underground pumped storage systems: Focus on the underground reservoir Article Oct 2023 Elisa Colas Elena-Maria Klopries ...

The Global Greenfield Pumped Hydro Energy Storage Atlas ("Greenfield Atlas") identified 616,000 potential closed-loop (off-river) dry-gully reservoir pairs across the globe [3]. The ...

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Underground pumped storage reservoir using abandoned coal mine could achieve not only high efficiency underground space utilization, but also realize a large scale renewable energy storage, ...

To facilitate the industrialization of pumped storage in abandoned mines, this study systematically reviews engineering practices and research progress in this field both domestically and internationally.

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For the realization of the above goals, the construction of a pumped storage power station is quite important, and it is the key to the realization of green and low-carbon energy ...

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China is gradually transforming its coal-based energy supply structure towards sustainable development, resulting in a growing number of abandoned coal mines. Underground ...

Ministry of Power has, in April 2023, notified the guidelines to promote pumped storage projects. The Report on "Pumped Storage Plants - essential for India's Energy Transition" recommends measures ...

Based on a detailed explanation of the technical framework of abandoned mine pumped storage systems and the conventional division of reservoir capacity characteristics, this paper proposes a ...

Abstract Repurposing a closed mine as lower reservoir is a cost-effective way for the construction of pumped storage hydropower (PSH) plant. This method can eliminate the expenses of mine recla ...

The overall environmental Impacts of pumped storage hydropower plants depending on the selection of site,

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shape and size of reservoir, operational regime, mitigating measures, can be limited, but must ...

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Then, by combining the abandoned mine data, eight different sets of parameters of pumped storage are selected for the optimal configuration study, and the factors influencing the ...

The utilization of Underground Pumped Storage Power Systems (UPSP) addresses the growing need for energy storage in the face of increasing intermittent energy sources. Simultaneously, the closure ...

To optimally manage possible overgeneration from non-programmable renewable energy sources, such as photovoltaic power plants and wind power plants, a Pumped Hydro Storage ...

The development of pumped storage power plants using abandoned mines not only facilitates the effective use of underground space, ecological restoration and local resettlement of ...

The inherent characteristics of underground coal mines can support the construction of underground pumped storage power stations (UPSPS) [16]. Roadways and goafs at different heights ...

Combined with the characteristics of goaf and related meteorological characteristics of typical abandoned coal mines in China, the energy storage characteristics of underground reservoirs in...

Renewable energy generation varies frequently, making it difficult to match electricity demand. Pumped storage hydropower plants can alleviate this problem by reducing the unevenness of renewable ...

As an energy basin, the Yellow River basin is a key demonstration area to promote energy system reform in China. There are a large number of abandoned mines in the Yellow River basin, which ...

Similar to conventional hydro storage on the surface, underground pumped hydro storage has upper and lower water reservoirs, a machine cavern with electrical facilities as well as supply and dissipation ...

Enhancing existing reservoirs with upper reservoirs for pumped storage hydropower (PSH) is a promising approach for PSH development. However, large-scale site selection and ...

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