

Can abandoned mines be used for pumped storage power stations?

The unique features of abandoned mines offer considerable potential for the construction of large-scale pumped storage power stations. Several countries have reported the conversion of abandoned mines to pumped storage plants, and a pilot project for the conversion of an underground reservoir group has been formalized in China.

Are underground pumped storage power stations sustainable?

Underground pumped storage power stations (UPSPS) using abandoned coal mines efficiently utilize the coal mine space and promote renewable energy applications. This paper introduces a novel framework to evaluate the UPSPS regional development potential in the Yellow River Basin (YRB) from the perspective of sustainable development.

What is the regional development potential of underground pumped storage power stations?

The regional development potential of underground pumped storage power stations (UPSPS) is defined. A novel framework to evaluate the regional development potential of UPSPS is constructed from a sustainable perspective. The decision-making process is based on the four-quadrant method incorporating bubble diagrams.

How is a pumped storage power station constructed?

A pumped storage power station is constructed by utilizing the difference in heights between the abandoned open pits. Since the upper and lower reservoirs are completely exposed to the surface, it is also called open abandoned-mine pumped storage ( Figure 3 ).

What are the environmental benefits of a pumped storage power station?

**Environmental Benefits** The pumped storage power station uses water to generate electricity and store energy, and there is almost no emission of pollutants.

How does Abandoned Mine pumped storage work?

**3.1.1. Hydrologic Conditions** Since the abandoned-mine pumped storage technology mainly uses the force generated by the water flow to realize the process of discharge, whether the abandoned mine has enough underground water resources to form an underground reservoir is an objective and necessary condition for the mine to carry out pumped storage.

A coal-mine that powered German industry for almost half a century will get a new lease on life when it's turned into a giant battery that stores excess solar and wind energy.. The state of ...

The construction of pumped storage power stations using abandoned mines not only utilizes underground space with no mining value (reduced cost and construction period), but also improves the peak-load ...

A South Texas coal mine and coal-fired power plant will host a new geothermal energy storage facility as part of a local electric utility's energy transition. Sage Geosystems, a Houston-based ...

Pumped storage power station (PSPS) is a clean and efficient renewable energy storage facilities, which can build new renewable energy power system combined with wind, solar power, nuclear power and thermal power.

The quest for carbon neutrality raises challenges in most sectors. In coal mining, overcapacity cutting is the major concern at this time, and the increase in the number of abandoned mine shafts is a pervasive issue. ...

The integrated energy storage system will improve efficiency at the gold mine's power station by reducing the need for emergency back-up spinning reserve, therefore lowering fuel consumption. The project is ...

A national-level underground energy storage cloud based on PSH plants in abandoned mine shafts will be built, thereby laying the foundation for large-scale energy storage to meet China's carbon neutrality targets in 2060.

Energies 2023, 16, 314 3 of 16 is a key tool for managing the operation of the power grid owing to its quick starting and high reliability. 2.1. Mode of Abandoned-Mine Pumped Storage

On May 26, 2022, the world's first nonsupplemental combustion compressed air energy storage power plant (Figure 1), Jintan Salt-cavern Compressed Air Energy Storage National ...