



Day 1: Road of riches - 'Energy Alley' stretches from Rifle to Green River, Utah

The stretch of rolling, sagebrush-plugged adobe and rock stretching from Green River, Utah, to Rifle doesn't look like a vast storehouse of energy. Appearances, however, are deceiving. [Full story](#)

Day 2: Uranium's half-life remains - Two companies push for mining in region

The uranium industry was born on the west end of Energy Alley, the run from Green River, Utah, to Rifle. It has burst into bloom and sputtered to obscurity more than once. [Full story](#)

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As long as companies have pulled coal from mines in Colorado, they've contended with methane problems. [Full story](#)

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Tucked into northwest Colorado and bisected by Energy Alley, the Piceance Basin is one of the nation's most significant reservoirs of natural gas, but one that long resisted exploration and production. [Full story](#)

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Day 5: Renewable energies a growing segment of power picture

The sunny skies of western Colorado and eastern Utah along Energy Alley are a powerful source of energy awaiting capture. Heat trapped underground, likewise, is waiting to be turned to use on the surface. Renewable-energy advocates also are looking anew at the energy generated when water runs downhill and when the wind blows. [Full story](#)

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Old coal mines dot the route along Energy Alley from Green River, Utah, to Rifle, from small holes punched into the Bookcliffs overlooking the Grand Valley to the closed Roadside Mine in De Beque Canyon. [Full story](#)

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For more than a century now, the pale cliffs overlooking the Colorado River have been known to hold a giant energy storehouse. But it is one that has at times looked more like a carnival funhouse with distorted reflections, dead-end alleys, mysteries and disappointments around every corner. [Full story](#)

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While many geological and scientific questions about shale remain to be answered, it's time for the federal government to start learning how best to manage the federal lands of Energy Alley that overlay the world's richest sources of oil shale [Full story](#)