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 - This additional capacity represents only 6% - 15% of the total untapped hydropower resource potential in the U.S.
 - Installing this additional capacity will require an estimated 140,000 – 440,000 cumulative direct jobs over a 16 year period.
 - These jobs will result in an additional estimated 95,000 – 265,000 indirect jobs over that same period.
- Total jobs (direct + indirect) would therefore be in the range of 230,000 – 700,000 jobs
- These total jobs estimates do not include induced jobs (e.g., service sector jobs such as retail, restaurants created by added dollars flowing into the market) that represent an additional upside potential from the growth of the hydropower industry.