

Tribal Renewable Energy Workshop

Exploring a New Path to Prosperity in Indian Country

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Day 1

TIME	TOPIC
8:00 – 8:30 a.m.	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.	Keynote Speakers <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mike Connor, Deputy Secretary of the Interior• Chris Deschene, Department of Energy Office of Indian Energy
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	Opportunities Created by Recent Developments in Energy Policy, Economics, and Marketing <ul style="list-style-type: none">• State Renewable Portfolio Standards• Federal Clean Power Plan<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Status; legal challenges; state, environmental and private-sector perspectives• Extension of Federal Tax Incentives<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ What are they?○ How long are they currently available?○ How have they been used in project financing?○ How can tribes take advantage of them?
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Networking Break
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Corporate Commitments to Renewable Energy and Sustainability
11:00 – 11:30 a.m.	Changing Energy Sector <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are utilities doing to adapt to changes and take advantage of opportunities?• How are the economics of renewables changing?• What are the current projections for renewables' share of future energy production?

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	2015 Paris Climate Change Agreement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How the United States’ commitment to reduce carbon in the atmosphere may influence the clean-energy sector globally and nationwide
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 – 2:00 p.m.	Tribal Case Studies/Lessons Learned
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.	Renewable Energy Technology Challenges and Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power Generation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Current tribal generation ○ What’s currently in the planning stage ○ What are the economics and sources of competition for renewable generation • Energy Storage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Importance to greater reliance on renewables ○ Current status ○ Current R&D ○ Projections • Transmission and Distribution (15 minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Securing transmission rights ○ Access costs ○ Marketing opportunities • Questions and Answers (15 minutes)
3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Break
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	NGO Panel
4:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Federal Technical and Funding Assistance Opportunities
5:00 p.m.	First Day Wrap-Up

Day 2

TIME	TOPIC
8:00 – 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 8:45 a.m.	Day 2 Preview
8:45 – 9:45 a.m.	Tribal/Private Partnership Opportunities
9:45 – 10:45 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opportunities at the Nexus of Energy and Water <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low-cost hydro applications on canals and related waterways • Distributive generation and rural water development 2. Panel Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning for tribal energy utilities • Issues in tribal energy program operations • Regulations and permitting requirements affecting tribal energy programs (NREL, DOE, IEED)
10:45 – 11:00 a.m.	Break – Change Rooms
11:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Finance: Securing Funding (Tribal Programs) 2. Energy Marketing and Distribution: Purchase and Wheeling Agreements 3. Improving Coordination and Cooperation Among Federal Agencies (i.e., DOE/DOI/USDA/EPA)
12:00 – 12:15 p.m.	Change Rooms
12:15 – 12:30 p.m.	Workshop Summary and Action Items
12:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:30 p.m.	Adjourn
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.	NREL Tour

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Specific topics covered during the tour will include:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Solar power: Recent technology developments○ Wind power: Recent technology developments
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