

Intertribal COUP Green Jobs Initiative

A Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) Commitment to Action

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Goals



The Intertribal Council On Utility Policy (COUP) will provide technical assistance and human capacity building services in energy efficiency and renewable energy development to COUP member Tribes under a Tribal Assessment Centers (TACs) demonstration project modeled after the successful U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Industry Assessment Centers (IACs) program. This CGI Commitment to Action seeks to leverage up to \$5 million in project financing over five years beginning October 1, 2011, in collaboration with SolarQuest® LLC (d.b.a., the Renewable Nations Institute) and collaborating colleges and universities, to assist the Intertribal COUP in meeting the following goals and objectives:

Commitment Goals and Objectives



Member Tribes

Nebraska / Iowa

- Omaha Tribe

South Dakota

- Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe
- Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe
- Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
- Oglala Sioux Tribe
- Rosebud Sioux Tribe
- Yankton Sioux Tribe

South Dakota / North Dakota

- Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate
- Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

North Dakota

- Three Affiliated Tribes of Ft. Berthold
- Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians
- Spirit Lake Sioux Tribe

Wyoming

- Northern Arapaho Tribe

- **Goal #1:** Advance the COUP Intertribal Wind Project (IWP), an approved Environmental Justice Demonstration Project of the Federal Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice.

Objective #1: Create up to 90 direct jobs to establish the Intertribal COUP as a National Tribal Renewable Energy Development Organization (NTREDO);

Objective #2: Develop a *Federal-Tribal-Customer Partnership* in collaboration with the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA), Indian tribal governments and WAPA customers as mandated by the Energy Policy Acts of 1992 and 2005; and

Objective #3: Finalize technical and financial plans for a 300 megawatt (utility-scale) IWP demonstration project to be carried out by the Intertribal COUP, WAPA and COUP member Tribes.

- **Goal #2:** Develop affordable, net zero-energy housing, and community-scale energy efficiency and renewable energy projects on Tribal lands.

Objective #1: Create 20 direct jobs for veterans, youth and women in tribal communities experiencing between 45% and 95% unemployment in order to construct affordable, net zero-energy tribal housing prototypes for commercial replication; and

Objective #2: Create 20 direct jobs to develop community-scale energy efficiency and renewable energy projects utilizing advanced wind power, photovoltaic and solar thermal technologies.

- **Goal #3:** Publish and distribute the Green Energy Journal the primary strategy to develop a customer base for a Federal-tribal-customer partnership for a 300 megawatt (utility-scale) IWP wind power project on tribal lands in the WAPA region, and to self-generate revenues for COUP green jobs project development.

Objective #1: Establish 210 education-based markets for sales and distribution of the Green Energy Journal in the WAPA region.

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Awards & Designations

2003:

Environmental Justice Collaborative
Demonstration Project, EPA

2007:

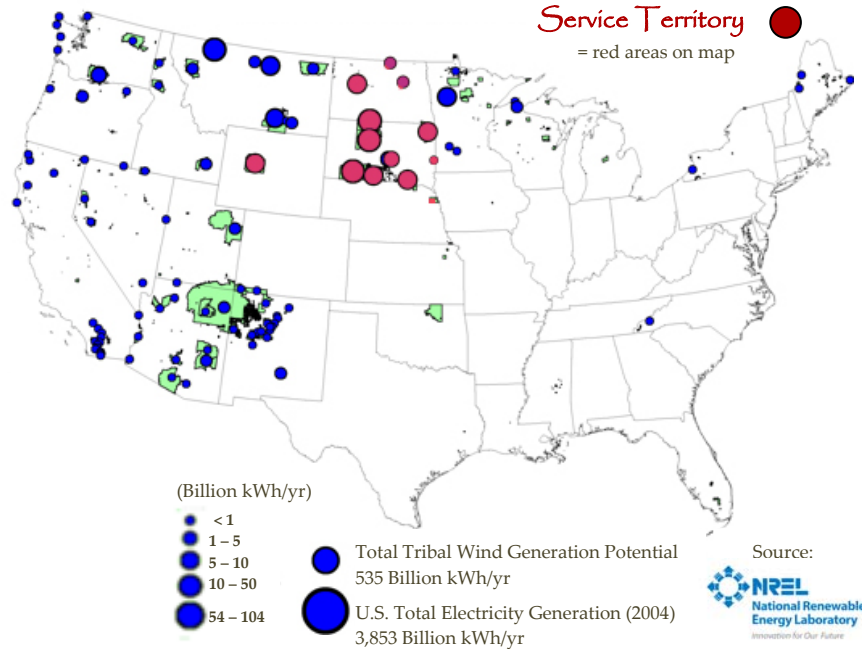
Jury's Award for Courage,
World Clean Energy Awards

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Potential Annual Wind Generation from Tribal Lands

Intertribal COUP



Rosebud Sioux Tribe Wind Demonstration Project 2003



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Project Developer: Rosebud Sioux Tribe
DOE Grant #DE-FG36-03GO13122

INTERTRIBAL COUP
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● COUP Service Territory

Over 9% of the total U.S. electricity consumption could be supplied by COUP member Tribes at costs lower than average commercial production rates and with less negative environmental impacts.

“Native prophecy and science have arrived at the same place relative to climate change impacts that are here now. Native people are not only aware of climate change, but offer a solution to lessen the impacts of global warming and to help restore the balance of creation.”

– Patrick Spears, Co-founder & President
Intertribal Council On Utility Policy



Seeking media and education-based partners for the Green Energy Journal