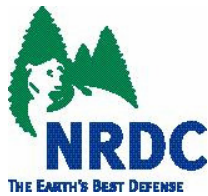
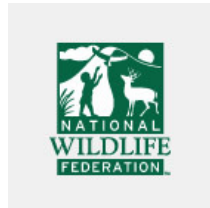


WORKSHOP: Tribal Energy Solutions to Climate Change

April 28-29
Billings, Montana



The workshop is designed to provide Tribes with resources and assistance to assess energy policy, energy efficiency opportunities, and renewable energy development on their lands. The workshops aim to serve as a model of the benefits of integrating economic development, natural resource sustainability, cultural preservation, and increasing clean energy resources.



AGENDA



Monday, March 10

TIME	DESCRIPTION	SPEAKER
12:00 PM	Registration	
12:30 PM	Invocation	
12:40 PM	Welcoming Remarks and Introductions	Garrit Voggesser, NWF
1:00 PM	Cultural Traditions and Solving Climate Change How can Traditional Knowledge be applied to solving the climate crisis? Traditional knowledge guiding renewable energy and protecting Tribal Homelands.	Wilmur Mesteth, Oglala Sioux (invited)
1:30 PM	Tribal Perspectives on Energy Development and the Impacts of Climate Change to Tribal Decision-Making	William Walks Along, Northern Cheyenne (invited)
2:00 PM	Adaptation to and Mitigation of the Impacts of Climate Change on Cultural and Environmental	Terry Williams, Tulalip Tribes

Resources. Greenhouse gases → climate change → impacts to cultural and environmental resources. How can solutions be crafted while preserving cultural, wildlife and habitat resources?

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| 2:30 PM | Break | |
| 2:45 PM | Breakout session – What Did you Learn and Can you Apply it to Projects On Your Reservation? | |
| 3:15 PM | Renewable Energy: Getting a Wind Project Up and Running. | Mike Connolly Miskwish, Campo Kumeyaay Nation (<i>invited</i>) |
| 4:15 PM | Sustainable Building, Energy Efficiency and Weatherization: Building “green” is an affordable option for energy efficiency and conservation, while generating job opportunities and economic development for tribes as well as non-tribal entities. | Henry Red Cloud, Lakota Solar Enterprises
Richard Fox, Trees, Water, People |
| 5:15 PM | Biomass and Carbon Sequestration | Brian Kummet, Nez Perce (<i>invited</i>)
TBD, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs (<i>invited</i>) |
| 6:00 PM | Adjourn | |
| 6:30 PM | Meet in Lobby for Continued Dialogue. Network with speakers and participants. | |
| 7:00 PM | Dinner on Your Own | |



Tuesday, March 11

TIME	DESCRIPTION	SPEAKER
9:00 AM	Welcome and Recap First Day	Steve Torbit, NWF
9:10 AM	Economic Incentives: Structuring the Deal. Bringing Renewable Energy Online in Indian Country What tax and regulatory incentives exist to make renewable energy projects successful economically? How should renewable energy projects be structured to take advantage of these economic incentives? What opportunities exist? Green tags, Production Tax Credits, Cap & Trade, and HR 1954	Thomas Hand, <i>NativeEnergy</i>
10:00 AM	Break	
10:15 AM	Lay of the Land: Initiatives to Increase Renewable Energy Where are decisions being made that will determine transmission access? What is happening with the designation of transmission corridor on federal lands? How can tribes affect shape these decisions to serve their interests?	Sharon Buccino, NRDC
10:30 AM	Transmission Capacity: Connecting to the Grid How can tribes secure needed transmission capacity? Opportunities and tools for planning, mapping, community involvement.	Bob Gough, Intertribal COUP
12:00 PM	Lunch and Keynote Speaker	Senator Jon Tester, Montana (<i>invited</i>)
1:30 PM	Funding: Attracting the Necessary Capital. Case example of the lifecycle of a renewable energy project. Most federal funding for conservation and environmental efforts flows to the states, leaving little for tribes. What are the options to change this dynamic? What are private funding and other funding streams? What are project elements needed to attract	Tracey LeBeau (Cheyenne River Sioux), Red Mountain Tribal Energy Jerry Lamb, MT Governor's Economic office Jonny Bearcub Stiffarm, <i>NativeEnergy</i>

private capital? What private funds might be available for feasibility studies?

3:00 PM **Break**

3:15 PM **Breakout Session: What did you learn and how can you apply it to projects on your reservation?**

3:45 PM **Open Mic Discussion.** How will you use the information you learned? ALL

5:00 PM **Adjourn**