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# Wind Powering America

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## WIND POWERING AMERICA HIGHLIGHTS



*Wind Powering Kansas  
Kansas wind turbine*

WPA is Moving the Great Plains. Two separate workshops were successful in spreading the news about wind to stakeholders in Kansas and Montana. Robert Dixon, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy (right), meets with Governor Bill Graves (left) at the Kansas Wind Energy 2000 Symposium. The Kansas wind symposium held on July 24th was a great success with over 300 people in attendance. Plans are now underway to seize the momentum and follow-up on development opportunities resulting from the event, such as Enron's plans for a wind farm in Kiowa County, Kansas. On June 29, representatives from Montana utilities, state governments, and the wind industry attended the Montana wind workshop [more information was in the July newscast]. This month, SeaWest Corp. announced the first wind project for Montana (20 MW).



Mid-Atlantic Region WPA Workshop. The U.S. DOE Philadelphia Regional Office sponsored a Mid-Atlantic Regional Wind Workshop (with a focus on Pennsylvania) on August 15, 2000, in Philadelphia, PA. The event provided an overview of the state of wind power in Pennsylvania and an opportunity to gain input from various stakeholders. The successful workshop resulted in strategies for the Wind Powering America initiative in PA, as well as for the Mid-Atlantic Region.

Department of Defense Wind Industry Forum. The U.S. Army's Defense Energy Support Center hosted a day-long Wind Energy Industry Forum at the Defense Logistics Agency in Fort Belvoir, Virginia, on August 3. Ray Clark, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, Installations and Environment, presided over the forum, which featured approximately 60 participants from Department of Defense, Army, government, and the wind industry. The goal of the forum was to educate and continue the dialogue between the Army and the wind industry to overcome barriers to wind power purchases. Team Wind was represented by Stan Calvert and Ed Cannon. To view the agenda and proceedings, go to the Web site at <http://www.desc.dla.mil/main/wind/index.htm>

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UPCOMING WIND POWERING AMERICA WORKSHOPS & ACTIVITIES (please also see calendar, pg. 4)

- C Seattle Regional Office Stakeholder Meetings. The Seattle Regional Office will hold two regional green power summits to explore opportunities for renewable power generation and green markets. The first will be held September 7-8 in San Diego, California. The second will be held September 28-29 in Seattle, Washington. For more information, visit <http://www.eren.doe.gov/sro/>  
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- C Nebraska Wind Forum (September 20, 2000). The Nebraska State Energy Office, the National Wind Coordinating Committee, key state legislators, utilities, private wind developers, and a list of state wind advocates / sponsors will be hosting a state wind workshop with support from the Wind Powering America initiative. Organizers anticipate that this event will be very well attended and will serve as a key catalyst for future wind development projects.  
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- C South Dakota (TENT: October 18, 2000). WPA and other partners will sponsor a one-day wind workshop in South Dakota. The workshop will feature representatives from South Dakota PUC, the National Wind Coordinating Committee, WAPA, SD Municipal Utilities, rural coops, Northern States Power, Senators Daschle and Johnson, COUP, Windustry Project, American Wind Energy Association, Midwest clean energy group representatives and wind companies, local economic development representatives, and state and national elected officials. The workshop will highlight current regional work on wind resource assessment, project development, wind products and markets, and transmission issues; and will show the perspectives of business, government and non-profit sector stakeholders.  
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- C West Virginia Wind Workshop (October 24-25, 2000). Wind Powering America, the Utility Wind Interest Group, and the Turbine Verification Program (DOE/EPRI) are collaborating on a wind workshop in Morgantown, West Virginia, in October. Utility personnel, project engineers, and regulatory personnel will be invited to discuss the opportunities and barriers for small- and large-scale wind power.  
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- C Puerto Rico Wind and Biomass Workshop (October 30-31, 2000). EERE's Wind, Biomass, and Atlanta Regional Office staff are working with Puerto Rico's State Energy Office and other representatives of the Puerto Rico government to develop a wind and biomass workshop scheduled for October 30-31, 2000. Current plans call for a review of the renewable resources on the Island, potential for development, and presentation of development success stories, and opportunities for partnerships and assistance from the Wind Powering America and Bioenergy Initiatives. The target audience for conference will be federal, Commonwealth and U.S. territory officials, utility executives, regulators, investment and finance communities, energy consumers, and landowners. We expect that the Governor of Puerto Rico will attend. EERE staff are preparing a scheduling request for Secretary Richardson or his surrogate.  
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C New Mexico Alternative Energy Symposium (December 6-7, 2000). Discussions are underway with New Mexico officials to host a wind workshop in conjunction with the Wind Powering America initiative. Public Service Company of New Mexico is taking the lead on organizing a two-day renewable energy workshop the workshop, with support from state officials and WPA. The agenda will include deregulation, including the restructuring act and PRC rule, identifying barriers, and looking at market success in other states. The Public Service Company of New Mexico, in partnership with numerous state stakeholders and Wind Powering America, is taking the lead on organizing a two-day renewable energy workshop, scheduled for December 6-7. The workshop agenda will include deregulation, including the restructuring act and PRC rule, identifying barriers, and looking at market success in other states. Discussions are also underway with New Mexico officials and WPA to host a one-day wind specific workshop in conjunction with the above event.

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C Oklahoma (TENT: Spring, 2001). Discussions are underway with Oklahoma officials to host a wind workshop in spring of 2001 in conjunction with the Wind Powering America initiative. Oklahoma State University is taking the lead on organizing the workshop, with support from state officials and WPA. Oklahoma has a strong wind resource in the central/western part of the state, as well as key Federal facilities and Native American lands.

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C Utah (Date: TBD). A one-day wind workshop to be sponsored by the Utah State Energy Office, WAPA, DOE Wind Powering America Initiative, NREL, local utilities, and other stakeholders. Goals of the workshop will be to highlight current regional work on wind resource assessment, project development, PacificCorp Green Power program, Federal and State government green purchase opportunities, transmission issues; to create consensus on realistic actions that encourage wind development; and to improve long-term working relationships among key stakeholders.

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WIND POWERING AMERICA CALENDAR

**August**

August 23-24 IEEE SCC21 P1547 Standard Development, Golden, CO

**September**

September 7-8 WPA/Seattle Regional Office Stakeholder Meeting, San Diego, CA  
September 10-13 NASEO Annual Conference, Redondo Beach, CA  
September 19 AWEA Board Meeting, Saratoga, NY  
September 20 WPA / Nebraska Wind Energy Forum, Lincoln, NE  
September 21 NWCC Business Meeting #23 Location TBA  
September 24-27 Energy & the Environment 2<sup>nd</sup> National Conference, St. Louis, MO [www.naruc.org](http://www.naruc.org)  
September 28-29 WPA/Seattle Regional Office Stakeholder Meeting, Seattle, WA  
Sept. 29 – Oct. 1 Texas Renewable Energy Roundup, Fredericksburg, TX  
[www.RenewableEnergyRoundup.com](http://www.RenewableEnergyRoundup.com)

**October**

October 18 WPA / South Dakota Wind Energy Development Meeting (TENT)  
October 23-28 Solar Energy International's Wind Power Workshop, San Juan, WA  
October 25-27 World Energy Engineering Congress, Atlanta, GA [www.aeecenter.org](http://www.aeecenter.org)  
October 30-Nov. 1 Third Annual Earth Technologies Forum, Washington, DC [www.earthforum.com](http://www.earthforum.com)  
October 30-31 WPA / Puerto Rico Wind & Biomass Workshop, San Juan, PR

**November**

November 12-15 NARUC Annual Convention, San Diego, CA (202) 898-2214 Michelle Malloy  
November 12-16 NASUCA Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA (301) 589-6313 Karen Walls  
November 14-16 Power-Gen International 2000, Orlando, FL [www.powergen.com](http://www.powergen.com)  
November 15-17 NAESCO Annual Conference, Palm Springs, CA (202) 822-0950

**December**

December 4 Village Power 2000, Washington, DC (303) 275-3781 Barbara Ferris  
December 4-7 NRECA Winter Board Meeting, Arlington, VA  
December 6-7 WPA / New Mexico Alternative Energy Symposium  
December 7 NWCC Business Meeting #24, Washington, DC

**January**

January 8-11 20<sup>th</sup> ASME Wind Energy Symposium, Reno, NV (303) 384-6941 Dr. Paul Migliore

TBD WPA / Utah Wind Workshop

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### WHAT IS WIND POWERING AMERICA?

The Wind Powering America Initiative (WPA) is a regionally based effort to increase the use of clean wind energy in the United States over the next two decades. The Initiative challenges the nation to meet five percent of its electricity needs by the year 2020 with wind power, triple the number of states with significant wind power capacity, and increase the Federal government's use of wind-generated electricity to five percent by 2010.

Wind Powering America will help meet the growing demand for clean energy and help establish new sources of income for American farmers, Native Americans and other rural landowners. The initiative is coordinating the efforts of a broad range of stakeholders to catalyze wind power development on a regionally tailored basis, and is leveraging these efforts through the technical support capabilities available through the Wind Energy Systems program.

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Information on wind power and the Wind Powering America initiative is available at <http://www.eren.doe.gov/windpoweringamerica>.

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