

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has prepared a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) to analyze and describe the potential environmental impacts associated with the:

White Earth Nation Wind Energy Project II Becker and Mahnomen Counties, Minnesota DOE/EA 1809

DOE's Golden Field Office has prepared the EA in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The White Earth Nation, as represented by the White Earth Reservation Tribal Council, is proposing to use Congressionally Directed Federal Funding from DOE purchase and install up to four small to mid-sized wind turbines that would be placed at two sites near the towns of Waubun and Naytahwaush on the White Earth Reservation in Mahnomen County in western Minnesota. The draft EA is available for review at the DOE Golden Electronic Public Reading Room at:

http://www.eere.energy.gov/golden/NEPA_DEA.aspx

Public comments on the EA's analysis and results of the environmental impacts of implementing DOE's proposed action will be accepted until **March 30, 2012**. Please mail comments to the DOE Golden Field Office, c/o Laura Margason, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401, or by email to laura.margason@go.doe.gov.