

TRIBAL LEADER FORUM SERIES

BIOMASS RENEWABLE ENERGY OPPORTUNITIES AND STRATEGIES

July 9, 2014

Bonneville Power Administration Building Portland, OR

The ninth in a series of planned United States Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Indian Energy-sponsored strategic energy development forums, this Tribal Leader Forum will focus on biomass development opportunities, technology updates, resource assessment, the unique aspects of biomass project development, and economic development opportunities for biomass resources. The forum will give Tribal leaders and staff an opportunity to interact with other Tribes, federal agencies, and industry to learn more about biomass energy development.

** There is no fee to register for the Forum, but it is important that you register by sending an e-mail with your name, contact information and e-mail address to the Office of Indian Energy at IndianEnergy@hq.doe.gov. Registration due by July 3, 2014**

AGENDA		
BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION MEETING ROOM		
9:00am – 9:30am	WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND OPENING REMARKS Randall Harris and Andrea Alexander, Co-Chairs, ATNI Energy and Telecommunication Committee. State of the NW Energy Economy, Fawn Sharp, President, Quinault Indian Nation, President Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) Nathan Dexter, Office of Tribal Relations, Bonneville Power Administration. Tracey A. LeBeau, Director, DOE Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs	
9:30am – 10:00am	Overview of Biomass Energy and Economic Development Opportunities This presentation will provide participants with a range of opportunities available to them for biomass projects and other economic development opportunities.	
10:00am – 10:15am	Break	

10.15 11.20	Biomass Market and Technology Updates
10:15am – 11:30 am	This discussion will build on the overview of biomass energy and economic development discussion by weaving in examples of biomass energy technologies for projects such as biomass conversion used to generate electricity and/or heat, as well as, other technologies.
11:30am – 1:00pm	Lunch Break
1:00pm – 2:30pm	Critical Project Development Considerations
	Biomass Resource Assessment & Management
	This discussion will focus on biomass resource assessment. Tribal Leaders will learn the importance of assessing the availability of biomass, associated costs with transportation and infrastructure development for biomass resources.
	Unique Biomass Development Considerations
	Compared to wind or solar projects, biomass projects may have unique project development and finance requirements. An overview of these requirements will focus on some of these key differences
	Tribal Case Study
	A local tribe will present on their energy planning, resource assessment and feasibility study efforts to develop their biomass projects.
2:30pm – 3:30pm	Unique Biomass Development Case Studies
	Tribal community cases studies that will present their experiences with developing biomass projects designed for heat energy and power.
3:30pm – 3:45pm	Break
3:45pm – 5:15pm	The Economic Development Opportunities for Biomass Resources
	In addition to developing biomass projects for power or heat, tribes with biomass resources may also have opportunities to develop biomass-sourced energy products, such as wood pellets, charcoal, or biofuels. Case studies will discuss how tribes can leverage their resources for economic development and job creation purposes.
5:15pm – 5:45pm	CONCLUSION & WRAP-UP