Office Overview: Mission and Goals

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs is charged by Congress to direct, foster, coordinate, and implement energy planning, education, management, and programs designed to:

- Assist Tribes with energy development, efficiency, and use; build **tribal capacity**
- Help reduce or stabilize **energy costs** in tribal communities
- Enhance and strengthen tribal **energy and economic infrastructure** relating to natural resource development and electrification
- Bring **electrical power and service** to Indian land and homes of tribal members
Office Overview: Offerings

• The DOE Office of Indian Energy works with Tribes to accelerate energy development in Indian Country by providing:

  – **Technical support**—Strategic Technical Assistance Response Team (START) Program; on-demand technical assistance

  – Reliable, accurate **information**

  – Quality **training** (workshops, online curriculum)

  – **Financial assistance** (DOE Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Tribal Energy Program grants)
Available Information and Assistance for Tribes

• Technical Assistance  
  energy.gov/indianenergy/technical-assistance

• Federal Energy Development Assistance Tool  
  energy.gov/indianenergy/fedprograms

• Energy Resource Library  
  energy.gov/indianenergy/resources/energy-resource-library

• Education and Training  
  energy.gov/indianenergy/education-and-training

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Course Audiences

Tribal Leaders
- Primary decision makers
- Understand terminology
- Understand key decision points and influencing factors

Staff/Project Management
- May be self-managing project or managing consultants
- Communicate at key points with decision makers
- Require in-depth knowledge of process
Overall Learning Objectives

• Understand the process for and potential pitfalls of developing and financing commercial-scale renewable energy projects.

• Determine how the development of a renewable energy project could further a Tribe’s goals.

• Learn from the experience of other tribal efforts in renewable energy development.

• Have an actionable plan for moving forward with a project.