

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community PRESENTATION



*Assessing the Feasibility of Renewable Energy
Development and Energy Efficiency Deployment on
Tribal Lands*

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- U.S. Department of Justice
 - Community Capacity Development Office
- Alternative & Renewable Energy Committee
Established by Tribal Council
- Council for Energy Resource Tribes (CERT)
 - Developed Strategic Energy Plan
- Targeted Wind Power & Energy Efficiency

U.S. Dept. of Justice



- n Community Capacity Development Office
- n Conducted on-site visit, June of 2008
- n Working with Department of Treasury
- n Economic Development Analysis
- n Legal Infrastructure

**A Community Planning - Economic Development Assessment –
Market Analysis – Legal Survey Report
on the
Keweenaw Bay Indian Community**



**An Economic Development Initiative
Sponsored by
Community Capacity Development Office, U.S. Department of Justice
&
Community Development Financial Investment Fund, U.S. Department of Treasury**

November 2008

Highlights of CCDO Assessment

- n Core Values: land, air, water & life
- n Lake Superior is center of Community
- n Strength of community: Manufacturing
- n Goals: Reduce fossil fuels & carbon emissions
- n Create jobs for community
- n Diversify economy from grants, casinos and tobacco

CCDO Recommendations

- n Create Legal Infrastructure
 - Business Codes
 - Model after successful Tribes
 - Used Ho-Chunk model, Lance Morgan
- n Identify values, goals and vision
- n Prepare Strategic Plan

Strategic Energy Plan

- n Council of Energy Resource Tribes CERT
- n Assisted Tribe with creating energy plan
- n Plan used as guide to determining course of action



FINAL REPORT

September 10-12, 2008

Ojibwa Senior Citizens Center
Baraga, Michigan

Broad Goals

- Preservation of our Natural Environment
- Self-Sustainable Power Production
- Creation of Jobs
- Cost Savings
- Revenue Generation



Evaluated by Committee

- n Committee for Alternative & Renewable Energy
- n Members of Committee appointed by position:
 - Voting Members: Council, Economic Development Committee Chair, Natural Resources Committee Chair, Cultural Committee Chair, Maintenance, Grants
 - Advisors: CEO, NRD Director, Economic Developer

Initial Evaluations of Committee

- Bio-Fuels Production
- Solar Power
- Geo-Thermal & Wave Power
- Wind Power

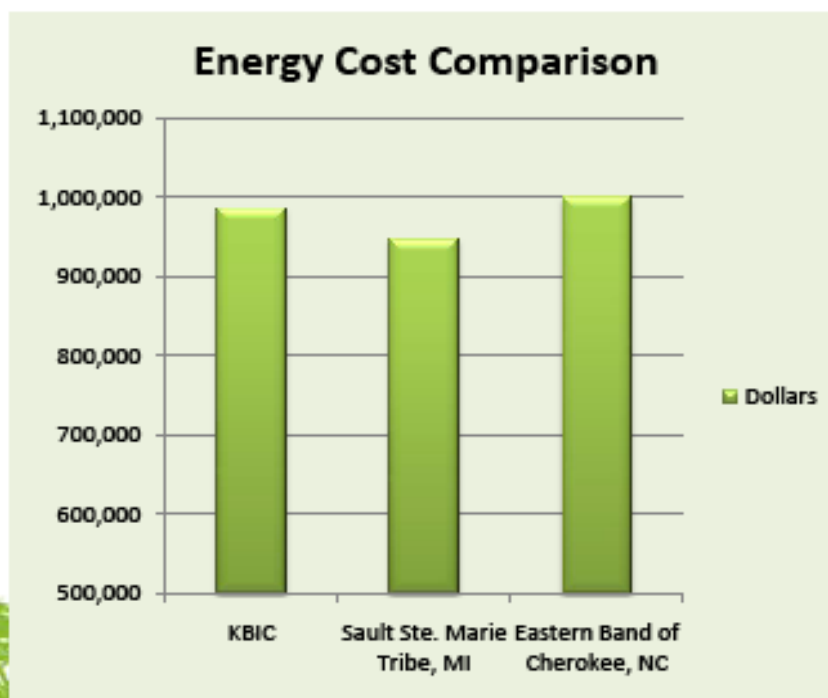


Targeted Wind Power Development & Energy Efficiency

- Conducted Baseline Energy Analysis
- Primarily Focused on Casinos
- Secondarily for:
 - Facilities Adjacent to Casino (Cluster Buildings)
 - Government Buildings – Fish Hatchery
 - Residential

Total Energy Costs

Energy Source	Cost
Electricity	\$776,877
Natural Gas	\$189,236
Propane	\$20,759
Total	\$986,872



How do our energy costs compare with that of other tribes?

Total Environmental Impact

Energy Source	CO ₂ (lbs)	SO ₂ (lbs)	NOx (lbs)	Hg (lbs)
Electricity	10,458,920	19,832	39,425	0.136814
Natural Gas	2,222,544	-	-	-
Propane	105,743	-	-	-
Total Pounds	12,787,207	19,832	39,425	0.136814
Metric Tons	9,667	15	30	

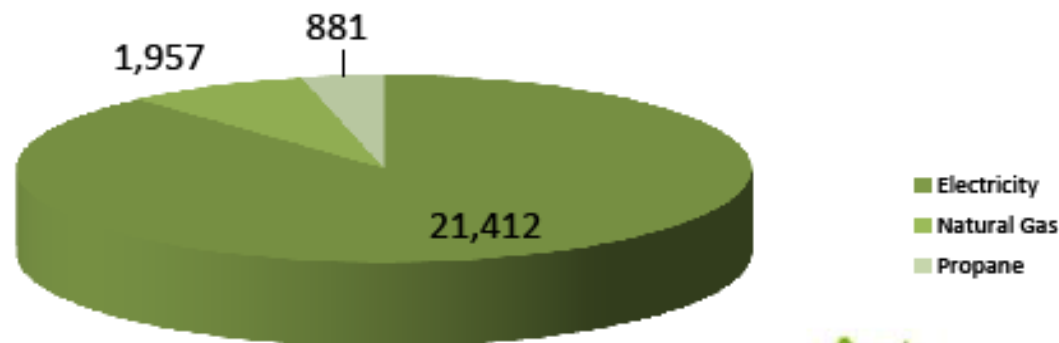
- Equivalent to
 - **1,848 cars** off the road
 - Carbon sequestered by **247,872 seedlings** grown for 10 years
 - Carbon sequestered by **2,061 acres** of pine forest



Energy Consumption by Source

Energy Type	Amount	Million BTU's	Percentage of Total
Electricity	6,273,729 kWh	21,412	87%
Natural Gas	189,961 Therms	1,975	9%
Propane	9,613 gallons	881	4%
Total		24,112	

KBIC Annual Energy Consumption (Million BTUs)

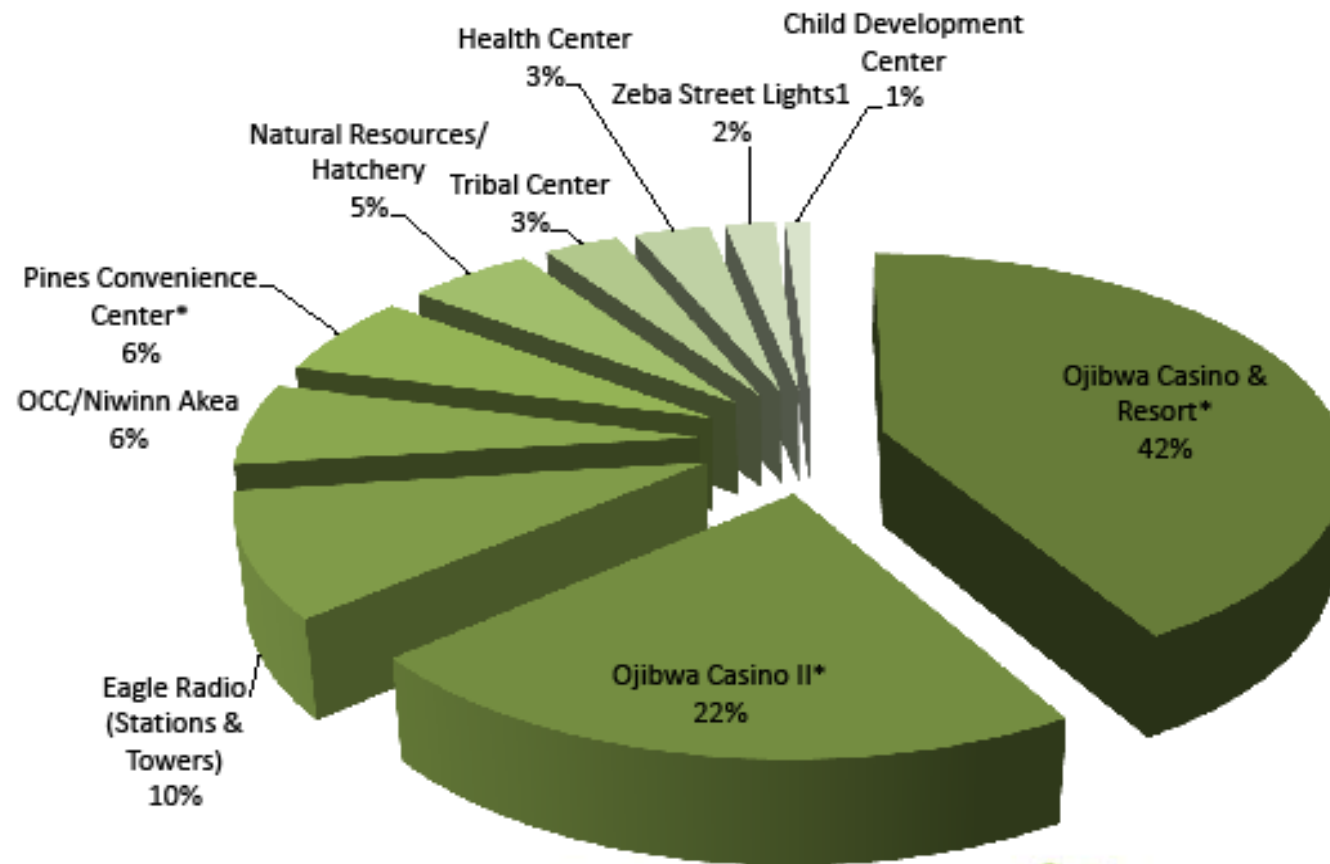


Specific Target

- Electrical Consumption and Production
- Energy Efficiency
- Wind Power Manufacturing Opportunities
- Develop Green Industrial Park



% of Total Electricity for Top 10 Consumers



Electricity – Facility Breakout

Ojibwa Casino Resort Complex

Ojibwa Casino Complex *	Annual Electric Use (kWh)	Annual Cost
Casino & Lanes	1,665,200	\$198,048
Motel & Restaurant	580,400	\$52,705
Bingo Hall	137,600	\$16,450
Four Seasons	68,840	\$8,261
RV Sites	23,406	\$3,203
Signs	16,735	\$2,099
	2,492,181	\$328,940

Ojibwa II

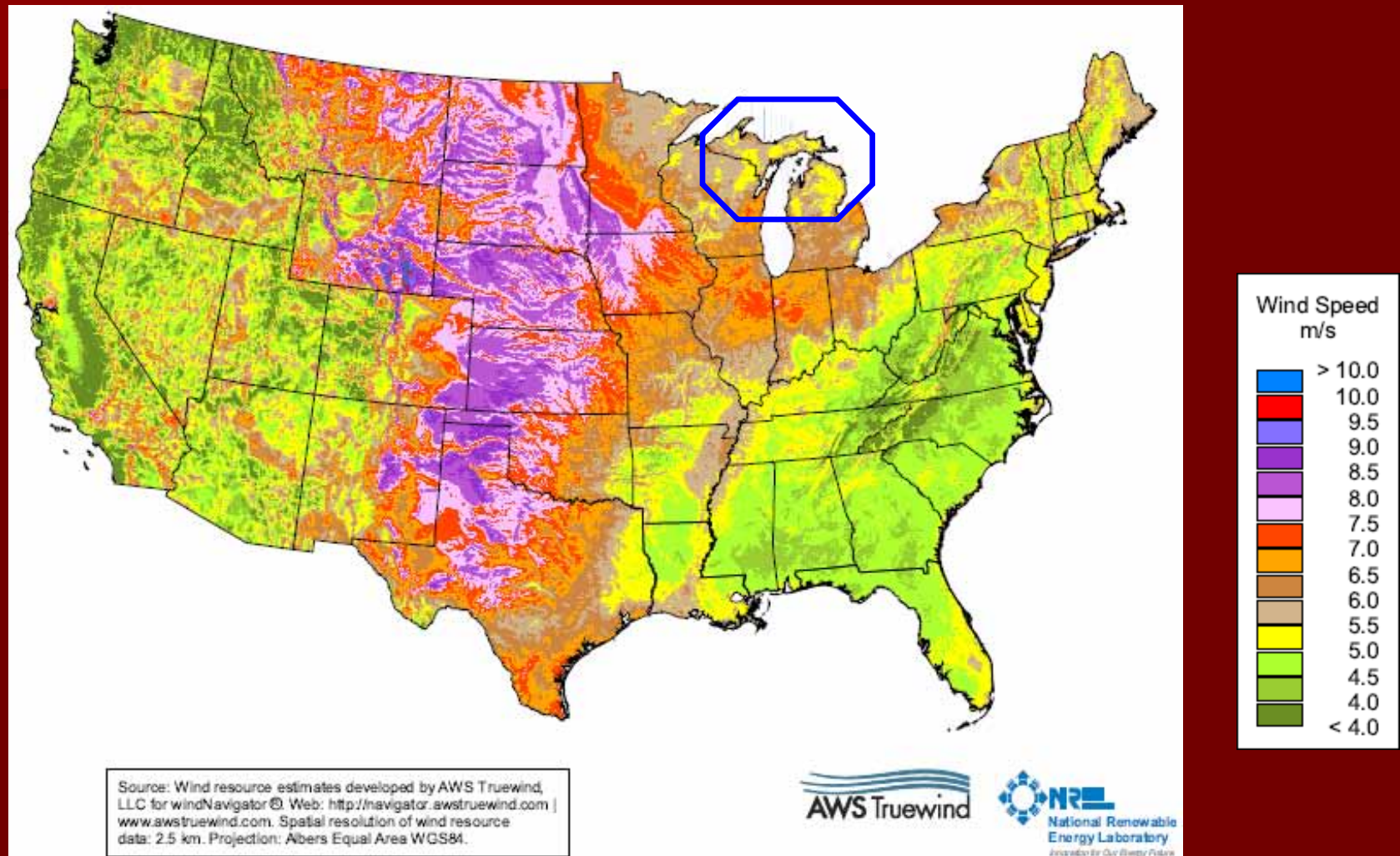
Ojibwa II Facility*	Annual Electric Use (kWh)	Annual Cost
Casino	1,294,400	\$182,389
Well Pump	12,811	\$2,134
Signs	10,253	\$1,760
RV Sites	9,948	\$1,935
	1,327,412	\$188,218

* 2009 utility data

Evaluation of Wind for Electricity

- n Based upon our research, the CARE recommended evaluating wind capacity for producing electricity
- n If feasible, Tribe desires to install wind turbines
- n Preference to manufacture or assemble alternative systems within community

US Wind Resource - Speed



Received DOE grant, hired consultants

- n Consultants review our preliminary sites for MET towers
- n Best site is old airport where Tribe plans to build a new casino

First Obstacle at Site

- n Applying to have land placed into Trust
- n Want to monitor wind capacity at site
- n Must comply with Township permitting regulations



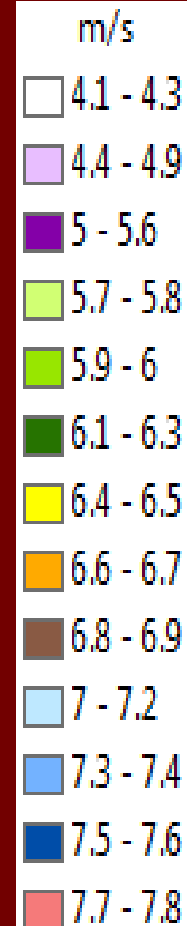
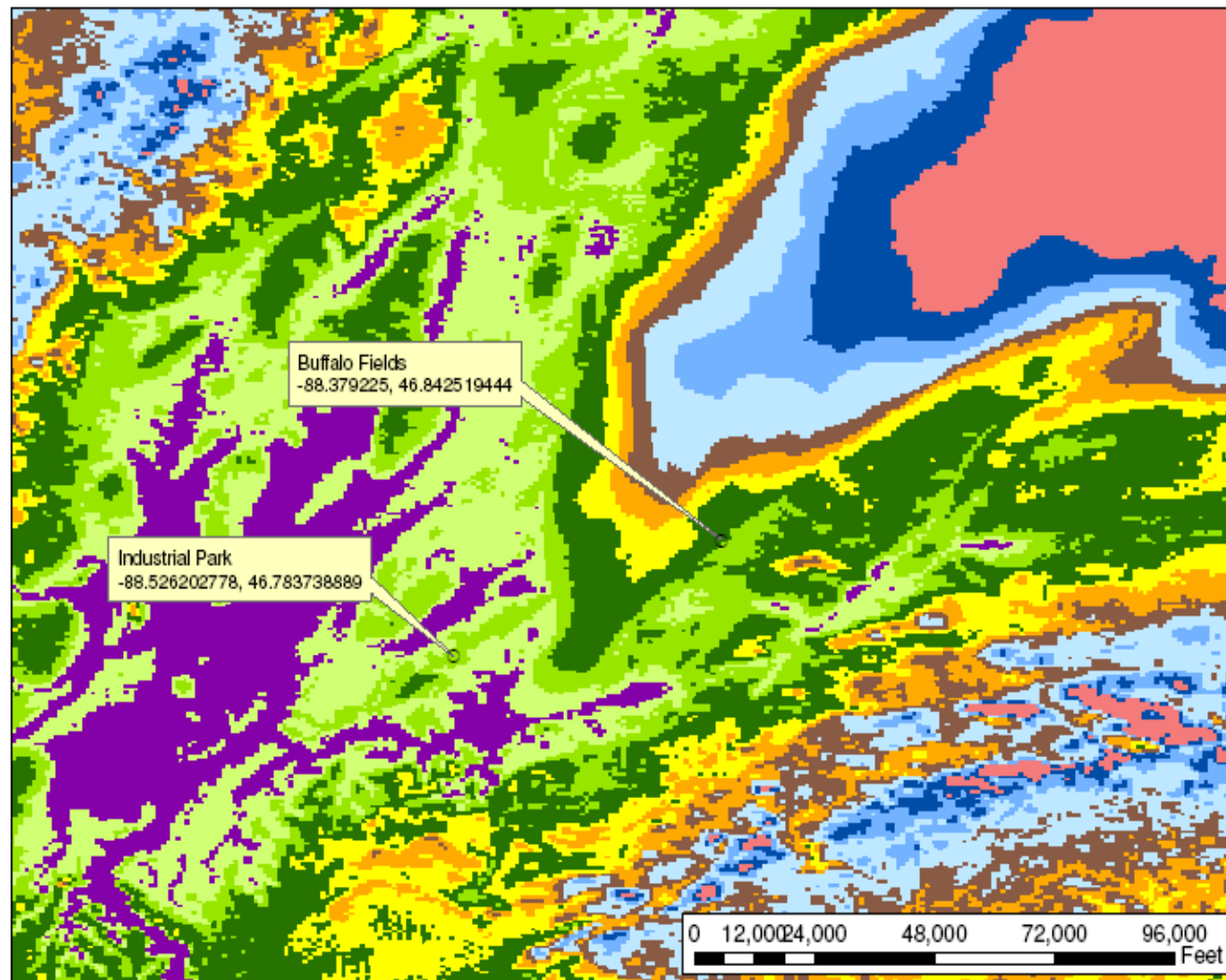
NOAA Radar Antenna

- n Proceeding to erect MET towers prior to winter snowfall, 2010
- n Discover proximity to NOAA Radar Antenna
- n National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has a radar antenna on the property adjacent to the former airport and Township regulations prohibit the installation of a monitoring tower within 4000' of NOAA's radar antenna.

Alternate Sites Selected

- n Unable to complete Environmental Assessment and Install prior to winter
- n Begin preparations for installation in Spring of 2011

Michigan Wind Map (including two KBIC sites)



First MET Tower Installed



Successful Tower Installation

- n First 60 meter NRG towers being installed
- n Process smooth and successful
- n Tower operational in April, 2011



First Tower Operational

- n Tower operational
- n Seventh Generation Energy System Crew moves on to second site



Second Site



Problem Encountered

- n Second site muddy with clay base
- n Crew cannot install MET Tower
- n Presents Tribe with Alternatives

Alternate Anchoring System

- n Mud and clay base require Alternate Anchoring System for MET Tower
- n Installation delayed
- n Team returns to complete installation of second met tower in June, 2011

Second Tower Installed

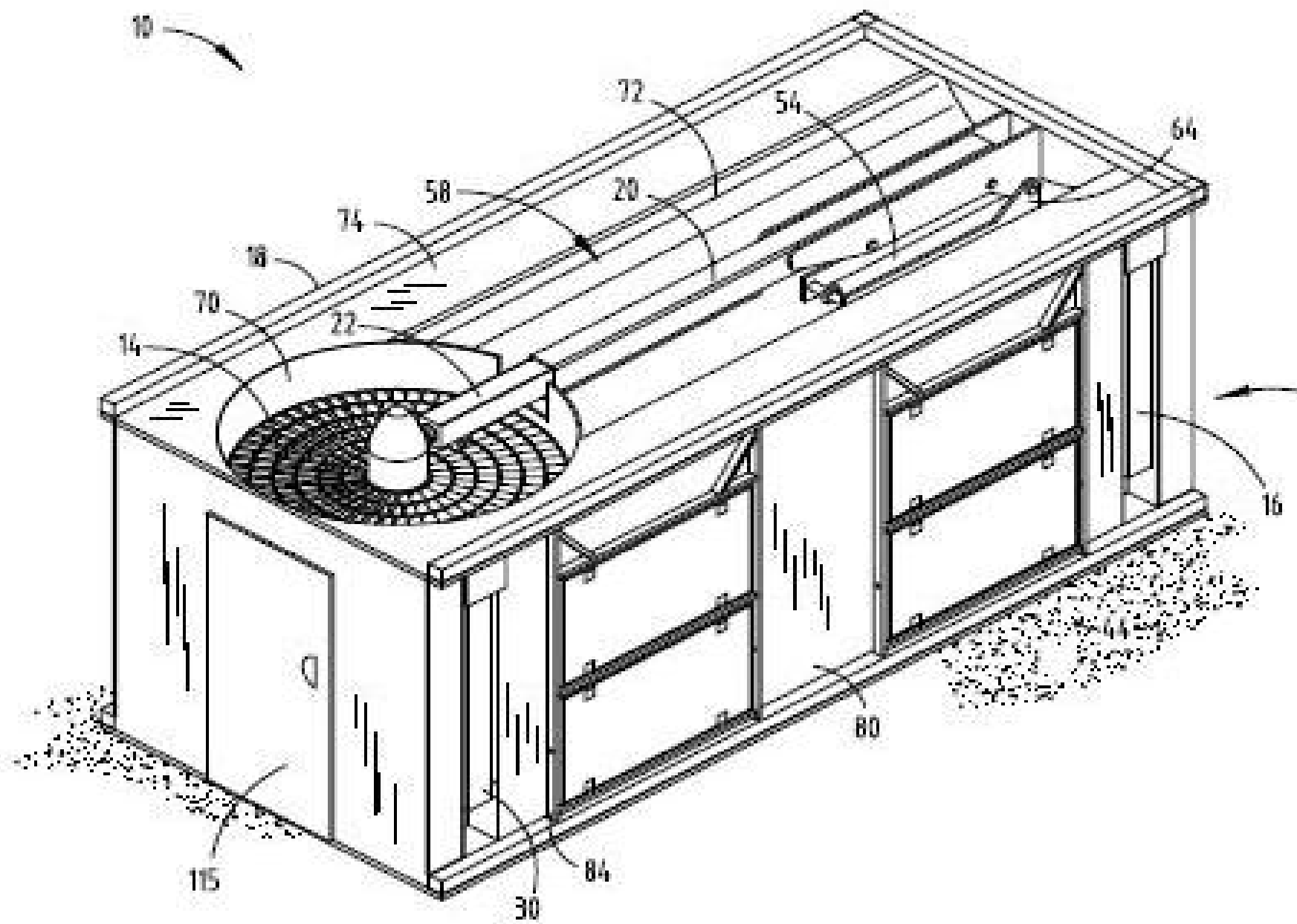
- n Alternate Anchoring System Utilized
- n Second Tower Installed in June, 2011
- n Both MET Towers Operational



Station Number and Name	Data Indicator	Monitor ing Height (m)	2011								
			Jan 2011	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Augu st	Sep
0203 Industrial Park	P Wind speed (m/s)	58			commissioned 4/20	4.9	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.1
	R Wind speed (m/s)	58				4.8	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.0
	P Wind speed (m/s)	50				4.5	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.0	3.7
	R Wind speed (m/s)	50				4.5	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.6
	P Wind speed (m/s)	40				4.0	3.4	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.0
	R Wind speed (m/s)	40				4.0	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.2
	Status / Issues	--				ok	ok	ok	ok	ok	ok
	Data Availability (%)	--				100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
0204 Buffalo Fields	P Wind speed (m/s)	58						commissioned 6/29	3.8	3.9	4.0
	R Wind speed (m/s)	58							3.8	4.0	4.2
	P Wind speed (m/s)	50							3.6	3.8	3.8
	R Wind speed (m/s)	50							3.5	3.7	3.9
	P Wind speed (m/s)	40							3.0	3.2	3.4
	R Wind speed (m/s)	40							3.0	3.3	3.5
	Status / Issues	--							ok	ok	ok
	Data Availability (%)	--							100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %

Manufacturing Opportunities

- n Local fabricating shop heard about KBIC wind project
- n Created X3 Portable Power System
- n Utilizes Wind Turbines, Solar Panels and Diesel Generator
- n Applications for remote energy production



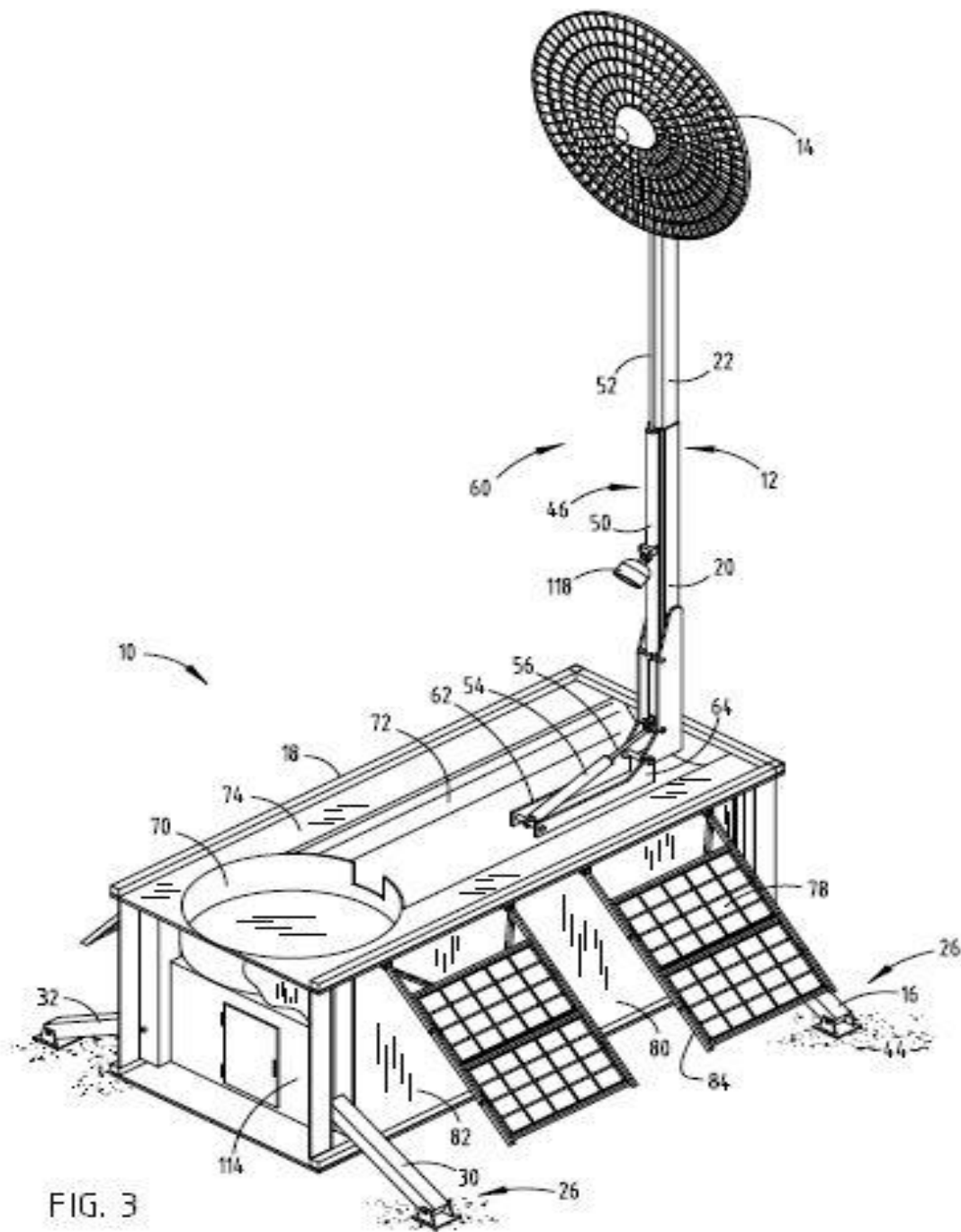


FIG. 3



Target Market

- n U.S. Military
- n FEMA
- n Benefits: Requires less transportation of diesel fuel
- n Increases safety

Goal to Build X3 on Reservation

- n Keweenaw Bay Indian Community may acquire majority ownership or create new business
- n Tribe to purchase facility for assembling X3 Portable Power system
- n Existing fabricating shop to retain 49% ownership of new company and do metal fabrication of box and boom

Economic Opportunity



- n There are a number of vacant manufacturing facilities on the Reservation
- n Community eager for Jobs
- n Interest Rates are low

Need Market Support

- n Local company interested in working with Tribe
- n Create SBA Section 8(a) company to contract with federal government
- n Met with U.S. Senator Carl Levin's staff
- n Need to evaluate markets and opportunities

Assistance Requested

- n Seeking Assistance to evaluate federal government's interest in purchasing
- n Assistance with federal procurement
- n DOI – Division of Energy & Mineral Development – Amanda, Roger Knight
- n IEED – Winter, Payton Batliner
- n USDA
- n Any other entities available to assist Tribe

Summary

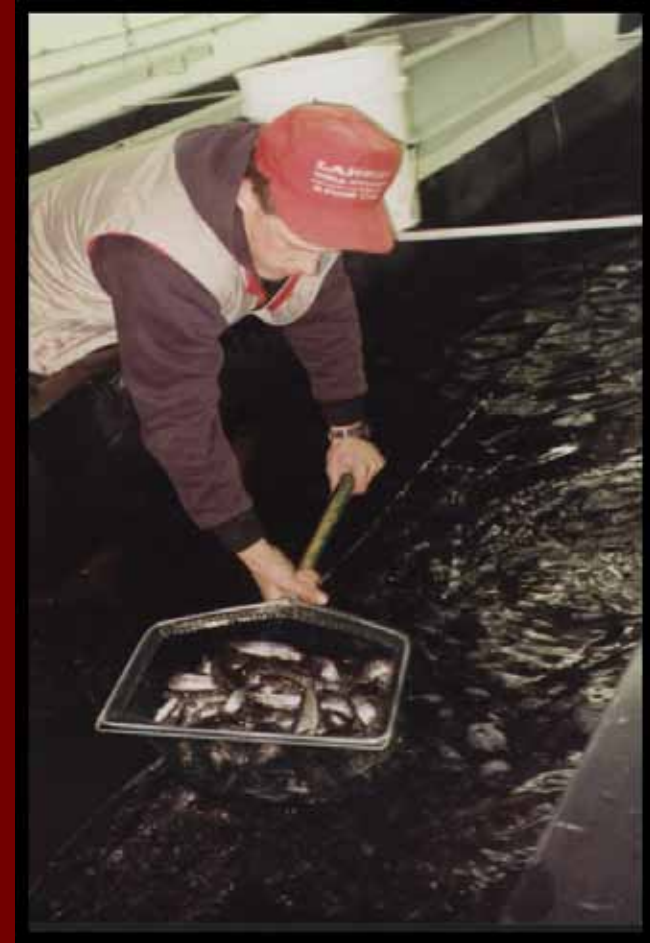
- n Monitor wind capacity on Reservation
- n Determine environmental benefits of alternative energy
- n Conduct financial feasibility study for installing alternative or renewable energy systems
- n Create jobs and generate revenue from alternative system manufacturing

Conducted Planning to Evaluate How To:

- Capitalize on our Strengths
- Develop Goals in Harmony with our Core Values
- Create an Action Plan with Specific Goals and Timelines
- Ensure We Follow-up and Move Ahead

Short-Term Goals (12 mo.)

- n Complete Wind Monitoring at our Cluster Facilities near Casino & Fish Hatchery
- n Determine Environmental Impact
- n Evaluate Cost of Wind Turbines or Small Wind Farm
- n Project Revenue and Savings from Installing Turbines
- n Conduct Preliminary Engineering for Turbines



Mid-Term Goals (0 – 3 Yrs.)

- n Seek Partners to Manufacture Turbines
 - First Seek Other Tribes as Partners
 - Secondarily, Local Non-Native Community
- n Create Wholly Owned Tribal Corporation
 - Establish Subsidiary Manufacturing Corp.
- n Apply for SBA Section 8(a) Certification
- n Utilize Assistance & Funding Programs
 - Federal Programs: DOE, DOI, USDA, etc.

Create Jobs & Revenue

- n Utilize Existing Assets
 - Locating Business on Reservation
 - Utilizing Skilled Workforce
- n Exercise Sovereign Authority
 - Organized Under Laws of Keweenaw Bay
- n Leverage Federal Incentives
- n Maintaining Core Values and Vision

DOE Grant Key to Progress

- n The Grant moved us from Discussing options to evaluating opportunities
- n The Process is as important as the results
- n Can replicate the process for other opportunities
- n This Grant was a key to helping our Community move forward!

KBIC Staff says, "Thanks!"

- n DOE Project Officer: Lizana K. Pierce
- n GO Project Monitor: Cass Gillham
- n Tribal Energy Program: Jami Alley
- n Kris Venema

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tribal Council says "MIIGWECH" U.S. Department of Energy



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