

State Incentives for Achieving Clean and Renewable Energy Development on Contaminated Lands

Wyoming

The development of clean and renewable energy on formerly used land offers many economic and environmental benefits. Combining clean and renewable energy and contaminated land cleanup incentives can allow investors and communities to create economically viable clean and renewable energy redevelopment projects. This document provides information about incentives in your state that can be leveraged for clean and renewable energy and development of contaminated land.



Incentives for Clean and Renewable Energy

Tax Incentives (abatements, deductions, credits, etc.)

Renewable Energy Sales Tax Incentive

www.legisweb.state.wy.us/statutes/statutes.aspx?file=titles/Title39/T39CH1 2AR1.htm

Provides an exemption from state excise tax on the sales of equipment used on projects up to the point of interconnection, with an existing transmission grid for the generation of electricity from renewable resources.

Technical Assistance and Other Incentives

State Anemometer Loan Program

www.wyomingbusiness.org/business/energy_anemometer.aspx

Lends 50 meter, 30 meter, and 20 meter anemometer towers to land owners for wind resource assessments. These assessments provide data for commercial and residential sized wind turbines.

Net Metering

www.psc.state.wy.us/

Ensures that eligible systems include wind, solar, biomass, and geothermal energy systems up to 25 kW.

Quick Facts			
Public Benefit Fund (PBF) Renewable Portfolio Standard Net Metering Interconnection Standards			Yes □ No ☑ Yes □ No ☑ Yes ☑ No □ Yes ☑ No □
Electric Power Industry Generation by Primary Energy Source (EIA, 2006)			
Petroleum-Fired	0.1%	Nuclear	-
Natural Gas-Fired	1.1%	Hydroelectric	1.9%
Coal-Fired	94.5%	Other Renewab	oles 1.7%

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Incentives for Development of Contaminated Land

Technical Assistance and Other Incentives

Brownfields Assistance Program

www.deq.state.wy.us/volremedi/brownfields.asp

Provides technical assistance to brownfields site through phase I and phase II assessments, cleanup plan options, and limited site cleanup activities. If eligible, assistance is provided up to \$400,000 per site (\$200,000 for assessment and \$200,000 for cleanup). DEQ will develop a scope of work for the project, hire a contractor to perform the work, and oversee work activities.

Limitations on Liability

Voluntary Remediation Program (VRP)

www.deq.state.wy.us/volremedi/index.asp

Provides for a process that can be used by owners of and developers interested in contaminated sites to put contaminated sites back into productive use. The VRP provides three types of liability assurances Covenants not to Sue (CNTS); Certificates of Completion (COCs); No Further Action Letters (NFAs). The VRP law also allows owners of contaminated sites to petition "appropriate governmental entity or entities" for the creation of a Use Control Area. This mechanism precludes any other uses for a property other than that defined in the Use Control Area agreement by using tools such as institutional controls to ensure no exposure to any contamination left on site.

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Yes ☑ No □

Number of State-Tracked Contaminated Properties: Includes Voluntary Remediation Program

153

Number of EPA CERCLIS Sites:

29

Sites identified for potential investigation under the federal Superfund Program

Number of EPA Brownfields Properties:

Properties being funded or addressed under the EPA Brownfields Program

There may be some overlap among the categories listed and sites listed may not represent all potentially contaminated sites in Wyoming.

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