# **Good Energy Collective & University of Notre Dame**

Consent-based Siting Consortia – Quarterly Meeting #4













- Relationship and capacity building underway in several communities
  - Capacity building for Tribal engagement in progress
- Completed three trial workshops with partners at ND Energy on UND's campus
- Engagement activities in first research site underway
  - Community buy-in / research consent achieved
  - Two workshops held, four planned for early June 2024
  - State-level engagement underway



# **Key Developments**





- Completed three trial workshops with students and local community members at the University of Notre Dame
- IRB approved at University of Notre Dame
- Community 1: Jackson, Wyoming
  - Affluent, politically engaged community
  - Two workshops held in February 2024
  - Four workshops planned for early June 2024, including two workshops in Spanish for limited-English proficiency (LEP) participants (more in further slides)
- Initial outreach and relationship building underway in two other communities



### **Key Observations**





- Accessibility and education are important for community members to be able to contribute meaningfully to the discussion
  - Simplifying presentation slides, visual aids, other styles of learning were well received
- Participants were most concerned with public health & safety
  - Technical experts (e.g., UND) were helpful to reinforce nuclear safety and answer FAQs
- Participants spent most of the time on community benefits vs risk
- Grounding discussions in concrete examples and case studies may lead to more interesting takeaways



# Engagement





- First community: Jackson, Wyoming
  - Workshop location: Teton County Public Library
  - Two separate 3 hour workshops held (Thursday evening and Saturday Afternoon) to accommodate varied schedules
  - Snowball sampling to find participants
  - Upcoming workshops follow similar structure, informed by lessons learned from first round
    - LEP workshop will be held in Spanish by trained facilitators & supervised by Good Energy
    - Second Round Workshops for original "cohort" are more in-depth on specific topics
- Compensation provided via prepaid debit card
  - Physical and virtual debit card options based on community member preference
- Initial outreach underway in two other geographically and socioeconomically diverse communities





# **Engagement Details**

What is the engagement?	Date	Location	Brief description	# of Participants
Introductory workshop	Feb 22	Jackson, WY	Paid community workshop introducing consent-based nuclear waste siting	21
Introductory workshop	Feb 24	Jackson, WY	Paid community workshop introducing consent-based nuclear waste siting	19
Follow-up focus group	June 1	Jackson, WY	Paid focus group on consent-based decision making	~5-10
Follow-up focus group	June 1	Jackson, WY	Paid focus group on economic & environmental justice impacts	~5-10
LEP workshop	June 2	Jackson, WY	Paid Spanish-language community workshop introducing nuclear waste siting	~5-10
LEP workshop	June 3	Jackson, WY	Paid Spanish-language community workshop introducing nuclear waste siting	~5-10

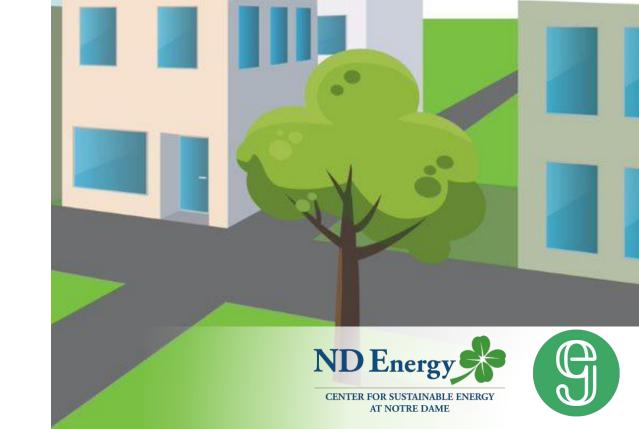
# **Engagement Details (examples)**



What?	Date	Location	Brief description (if not in previous slides)	# of Participants
Stakeholder meetings with clean energy sector	March/April	Seattle, WA	Series of 4 meetings with representatives at the Pacific Northwest Center of Excellence for Clean Energy	Met total of 5 different reps
Survey	March	Online/[City, State]	Administered surveys on public understanding of nuclear energy to students at [name] University and online	150
Community workshop	June 15	Virtual Only	Facilitated listening session on consent-based siting.	TBD
Presentation ANS conference	June 16-19	Las Vegas, NV	Presenting a paper on waste management policy.	n/a
Identifying research study locations	April	[location 1 County, State]; [Location 2, City, State]	Met with representatives from XX, YY and ZZ community organizations to discuss possible interest and recruitment strategies	Spoke with 3 people from each community

### **Next Steps**

- Host second round of workshops in Jackson, Wyoming from June 1-3
- Prepare for third (and final) round of workshops in Jackson, WY in summer 2024
- Continue outreach for two additional research sites







#### **THANK YOU**

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