

STANDING ROCK SIOUX TRIBE

Prairie Knights Community-Scale Single Wind Turbine Project

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Presentation Outline

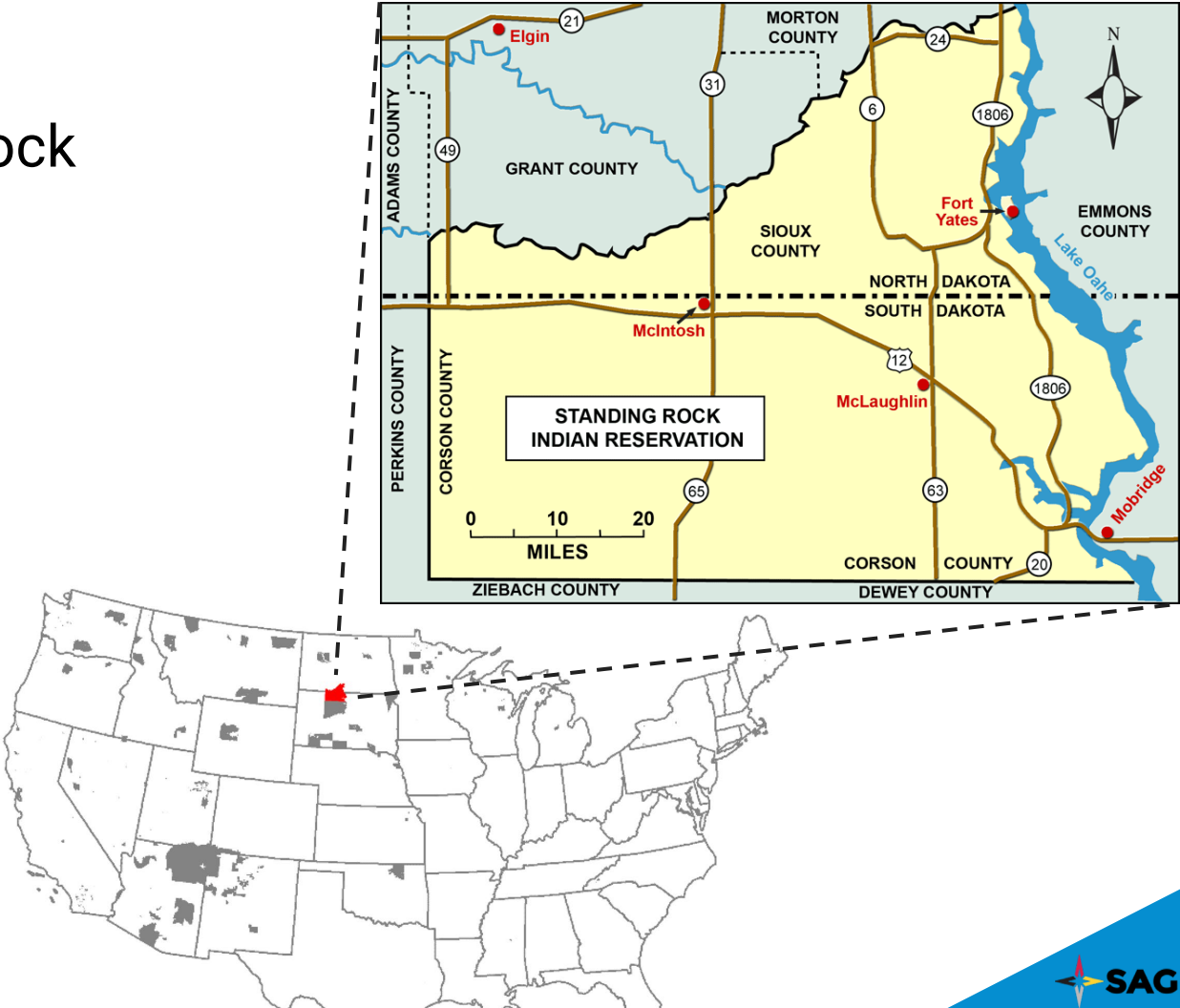
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Background Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

- Land boundary expands across part of the North Dakota and South Dakota Boarder
- Federally recognized in 1889 through an agreement between the U.S. and the Great Sioux Nation
- Tribal leadership includes a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, a Secretary, and 14 council members.
- 2.3 million acres (~3593.75 square miles)
 - ~980,000 acres – Tribally owned, allotted trust, and gov
 - ~1.5 million acres – Fee land
- Enrollment
 - ~15,568 members with over 7,819 residing within the land boundaries



Map of Standing Rock



SAGE Development Authority Background

- Federally chartered Section 17 Corporation
- 100% owned by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
- Public power authority
- Primary goals:
 - Development of the Tribe's renewable energy resources
 - Promoting the Tribe's economic development
 - Enabling the Tribe to be self-sufficient and to provide economic support for Tribal members
- SAGE is committed to operating with the Lakota values of wisdom, respect, humility, honesty, fortitude, generosity, and compassion.

Related Experience

In addition to the single wind turbine project, SAGE has completed or is in process of completing various renewable and clean energy projects across the entire Reservation

- Public EV charging stations
- Small-scale distributed solar at various Tribal buildings
- Community-scale solar
- Utility-scale wind
- Local renewable energy workforce development



Utility-scale wind



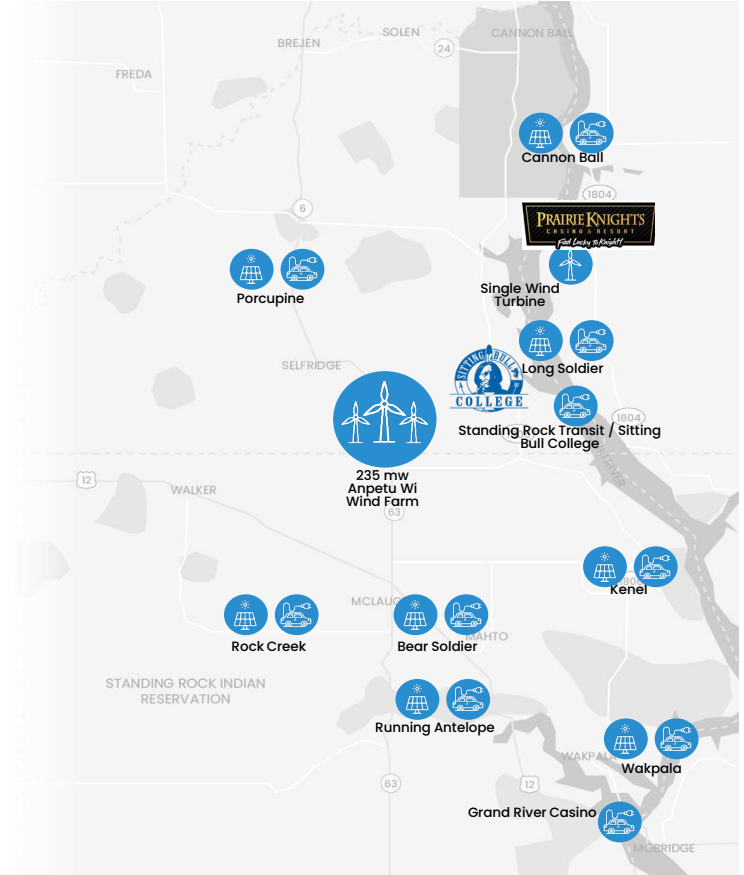
Community-scale solar



Single Wind Turbine

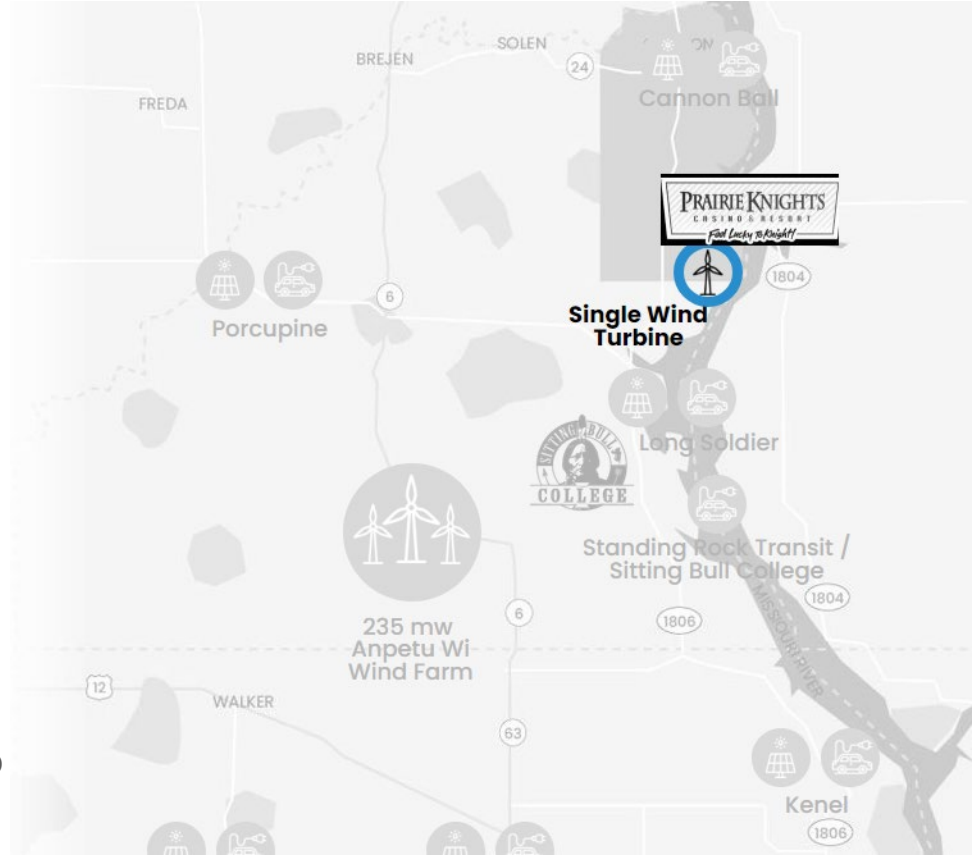


EV Charging Station



Project Overview

- Design, procurement, and installation of a community-scale 1.7 to 2.4 MW wind Turbine
- Hub height of around 86 meters
- Two potential location sites: both in the vicinity of Prairie Knights Resort north of Fort Yates, North Dakota
- Projected to generate approximately 6 million kWh of electricity per year
- Anticipating an offtake agreement with the local co-op at either a fixed price or real time market pricing
- Total project cost of roughly \$5.5 million
- \$4.0 million in funding provided by the Department of Energy and the remaining gap to be funded via federal Investment Tax Credit
- Expected COD summer/fall 2026



Project Location

The proposed turbine location is on undeveloped trust lands

- Near the Prairie Knights Resort in Fort Yates, North Dakota
- Excluding the Resort, there is minimal development in the immediate area
- Missouri River is about 2.5 miles due east
- Project will tie into local substation



Expected Site Disturbance



Approximate Turbine Construction Disturbance

- Temporary 115 foot radius
- Temporary 200x200 laydown yard & crane pad in the immediate vicinity
- Temporary 20 foot wide trench to lay underground cables
- Temporary 36 foot wide road for heavy machinery

Approximate Turbine Permanent Disturbance

- 35 foot radius for turbine foundation
- 16 foot wide road for O&M

Project Objectives

Three main goals in our energy vision

- Increase renewable energy generation
- Advance sovereignty and independence
- Lower the energy bills of local community members

Environmental benefits

- Over the life of the project, implementation will prevent the release of nearly 6million lbs. Of Co2, which is the equivalent of around 3 million pounds of coal burned or 500 home's electricity use for one year

Economic benefits

- Creation of local jobs in a growing industry
- Lower energy bills for Tribal elders

Other benefits

- Reduce reliance on fossil fuels
- Accelerate just transition locally

SAGE intends to use the profits from this project to credit Tribal elder electric bills under a similar mechanism to the current WAPA credit allocations.

Project Progress

Department of Energy grant contracting was formally signed in May 2024 and initial project activities are underway.

Notable activities to-date

- Partial NEPA determination was provided by DOE
- Project management and environmental teams are on board
- Micrositing is in progress to determine how close the turbine can be located to the Resort and substation
- SPP injection study has been initiated to determine the maximum turbine capacity that can be interconnected without requiring costly system upgrades
- Offtake options are being analyzed to determine risk/benefit of a fixed price power purchase agreement vs. real time market pricing

Thank you to our project partners and participants



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