Wind Power Update

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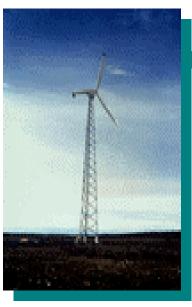


Sizes and Applications



Small (≤10 kW)

- Homes
- Farms
- Remote Applications
 (e.g. water pumping, telecom sites, icemaking)



Intermediate (10-250 kW)

- Village Power
- Hybrid Systems
- Distributed Power

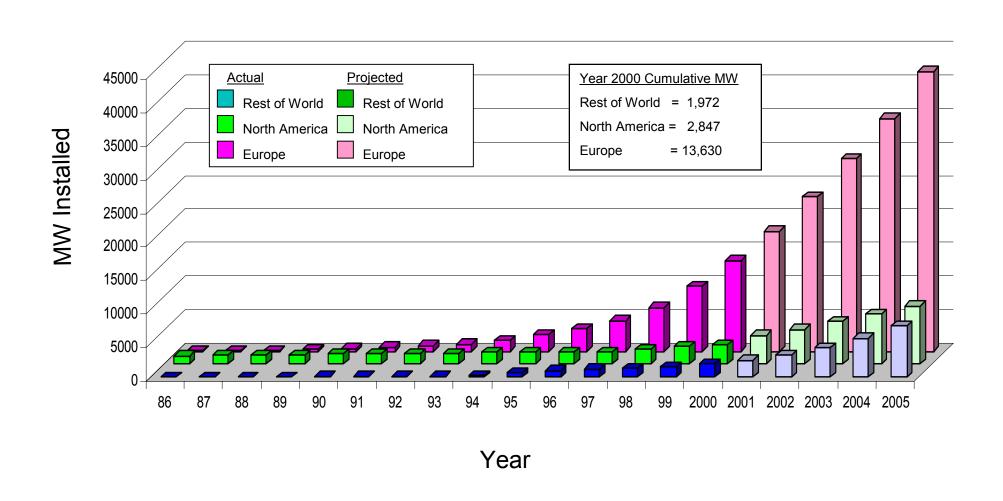


Large (250 kW - 2+MW)

- Central Station Wind Farms
- Distributed Power



Growth of Wind Energy Capacity Worldwide



Source: BTM Consult Aps - March 2001



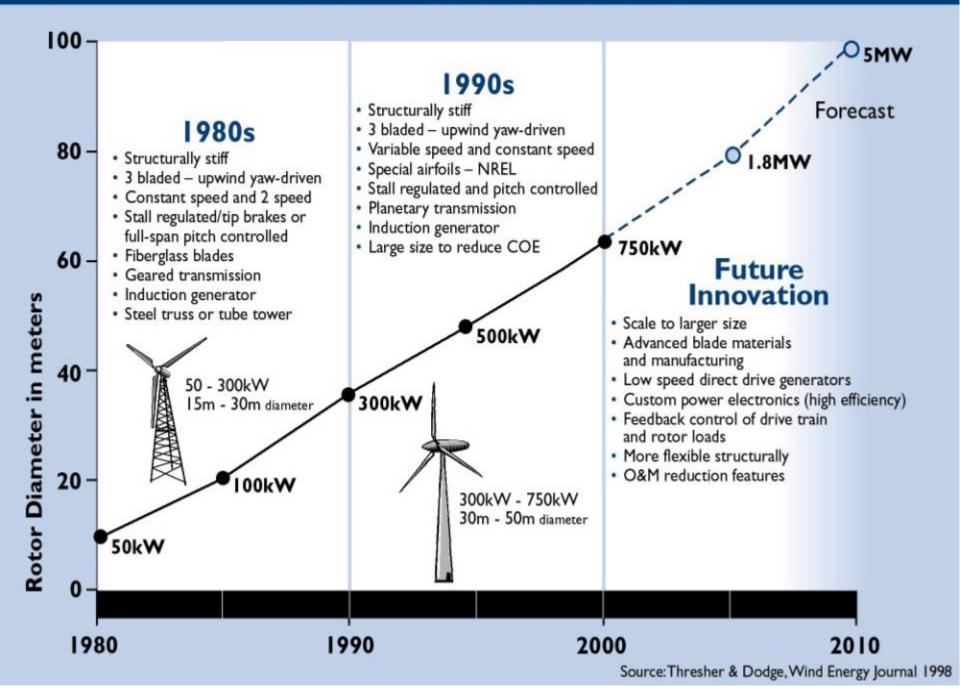
International Market Trends



- \$5 billion/year in sales
- Fastest growing electric technology: 29% worldwide
- 45% world market from Danish companies
- European future in off-shore open installations
 - 86 MW in 2000
 - Growing to 2400 MW's in 2005*

*Source BTM Consult ApS - March 2001

NREL THE EVOLUTION OF COMMERCIAL **U.S. WIND TECHNOLOGY**





Cost of Energy Trend

1979: 40 cents/kWh



- NSP 107 MW Lake Benton wind farm 4 cents/kWh (unsubsidized)

- Increased
 Turbine Size
- R&D Advances
- Manufacturing Improvements

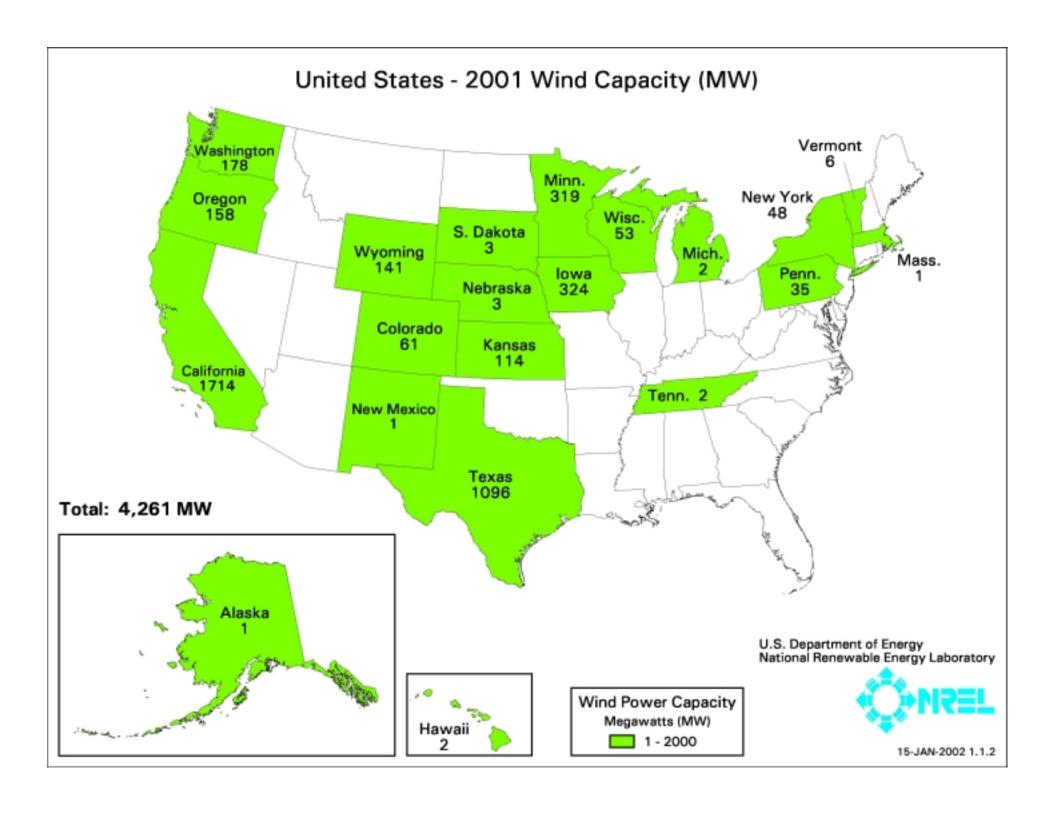


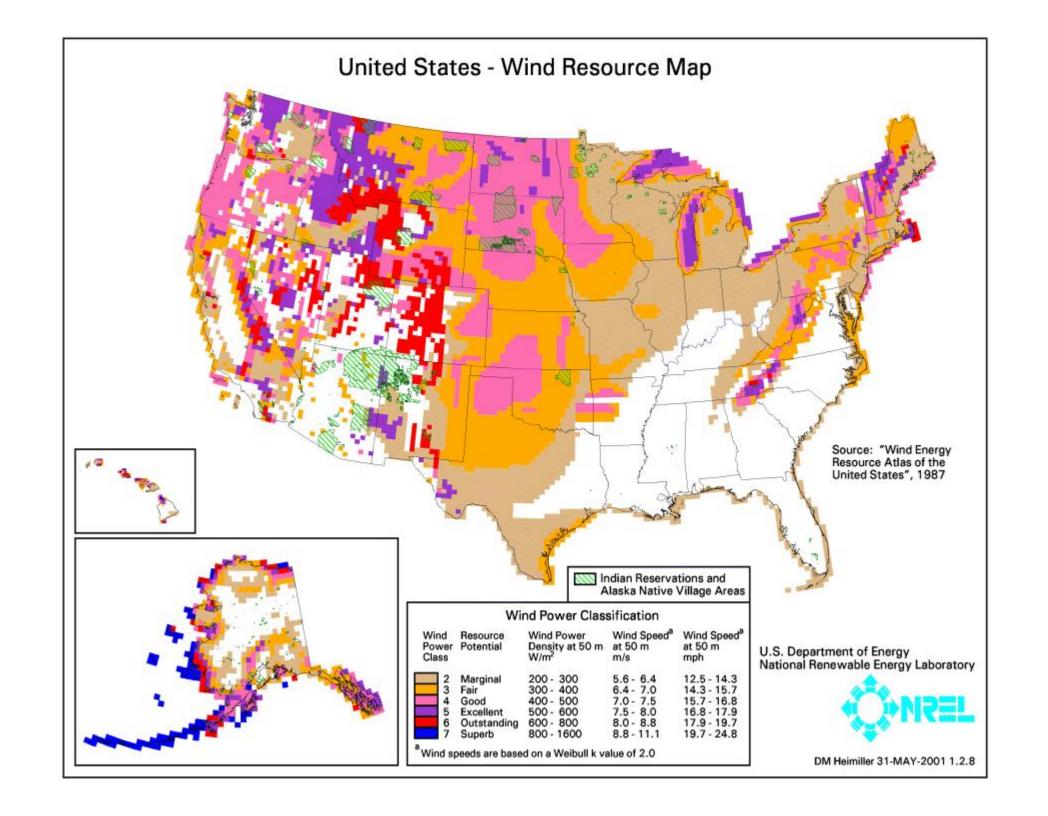


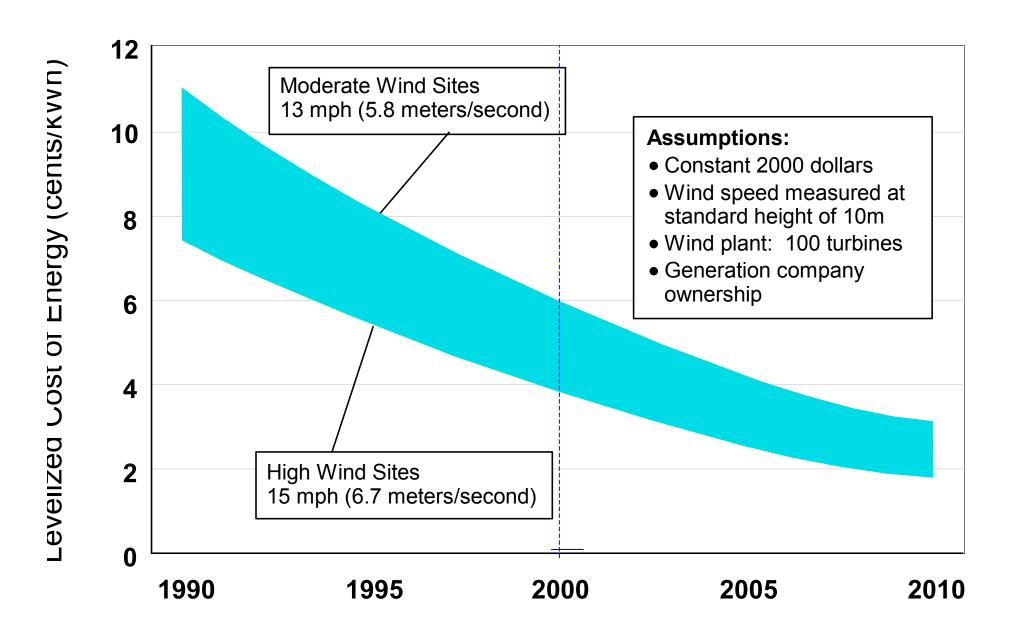
A Maturing Wind Technology



- Technology has matured over 25 years of learning experiences
- Availabilities reported of 98-99%
- Certification to international standards helps to avoid "show stoppers"
- Performance and cost have dramatically improved
 - hardware issues are being promptly addressed
- New hardware is being developed on multiple fronts:
 - higher productivity and lower costs
 - larger sized for both land and offshore installations
 - tailored designs for high capacity factor, low wind speed and extreme weather conditions









But... It really depends

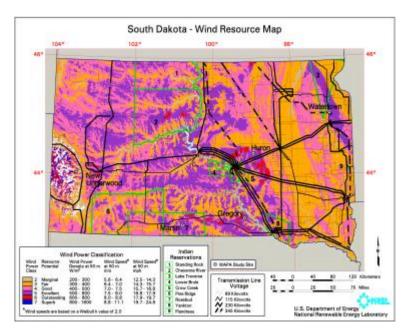
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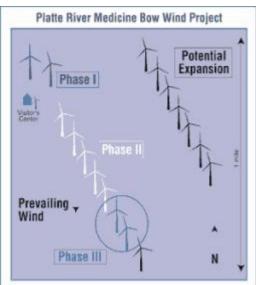
Resource

- 1 mph in average speed is ~ 0.5 cents/kWh
- Raising tower from 50 to 100m increases kWh ~15% or more in class 4-5
- Coincidence of wind with load increases value

Permitting

- private vs. public land
- state and local regulations
- Existing site expansion
 - quick, low cost option
- What is included
 - transmission, land







Plant and Turbine Size

- Spread "nearly fixed" costs: permitting, crane, legal and other soft costs
- Volume discount from manufacturer
- Economies of scale may bring O&M to under 0.2 cents/kWh
- Next generation of 1.2-2.0 MW machines are 10-15% cheaper/kW





Finances and Incentives

- Production Tax Credit
 - 1.7 cents/kWh (escalating) for 10 years equates to around 1.1 cents/kWh reduction in contract price
 - deadline pressure *increases* costs
- State and Local tax, etc. can be significant
 +/- 0.5 cents/kWh impact
- Public Power (100% debt at tax free rates)
 60% of GenCo or IPP cents/kWh
- Renewable Energy Production Incentive annual appropriations problem leads to little impact





Wind Energy Value



- Emissions free power beginning to have additional value
 - green markets
 - emissions credits
- Reliability/capacity value

- Fuel/Resource diversity and risk
- Intermittency
 - non-dispatchable (different types of kWh)
 - ancillary service costs ??



Recent Developments

- The wind industry is delivering ~3 cent/kWh contracts, including PTC for large projects
- Several large projects under developments
 - 300 MW Stateline (WA/OR)
 - 109 MW Utilicorp (KS)
 - 4>100 MW under development in West Texas
- Gas price increases and the power crisis
 - CO: 162 MW of wind wins all-source bid on economics alone
 - "wind is the lowest cost resource"
 - serious consideration of GW (BPA, Austin)
 - transmission and grid impacts to the forefront
- RUS loan to Basin Electric for Green Pricing program in S. Dakota
- NPPD RFP for 20 MW

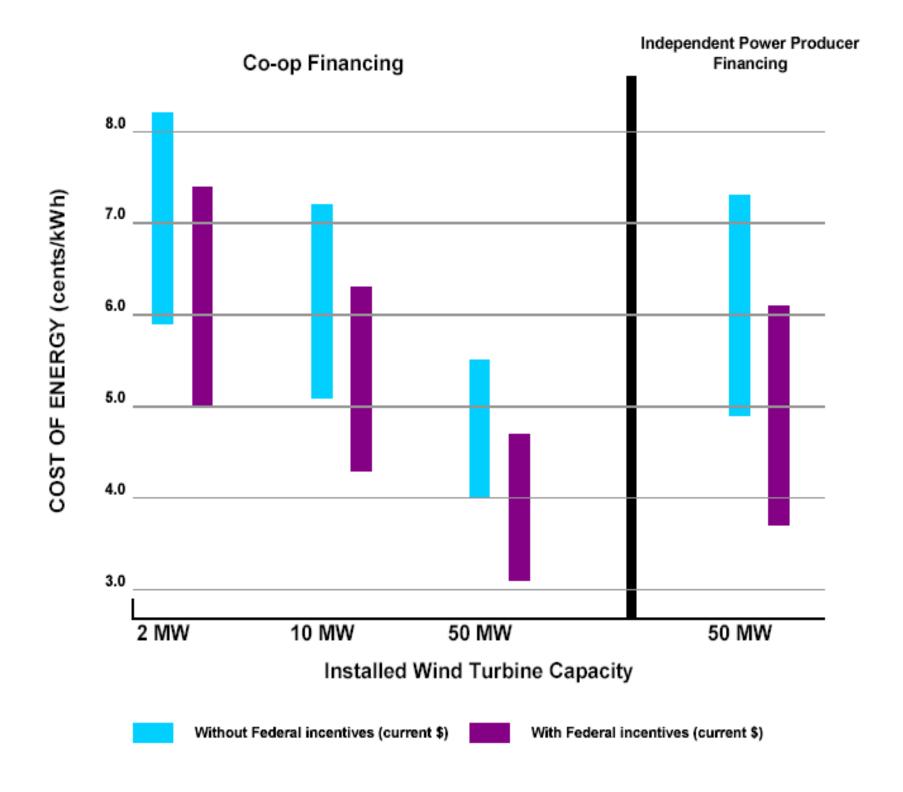




Conclusions

- The wind industry is delivering ~ 3 cent/kWh contracts, including PTC for large projects
- This price will likely be higher for small projects in new locations
- Value side important: but cost dominates in domestic markets today







Economic Development Opportunities

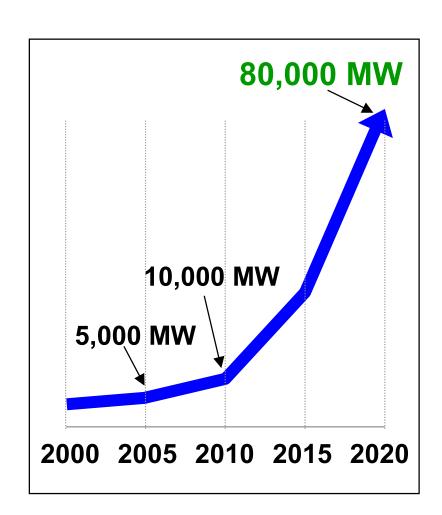
- Land Lease Payments: 2-3% of gross revenue \$2500-4000/MW/year
- Local property tax revenue: 100 MW brings in on the order of \$1 million/yr
- 1-2 jobs/MW during construction
- 2-5 permanent O&M jobs per 50-100 MW,
- Local construction and service industry: concrete, towers usually done locally
- Investment as Equity Owners: production tax credit, accelerated depreciation
- Manufacturing and Assembly plants expanding in U.S. (Micon in IL, LM Glasfiber in ND)

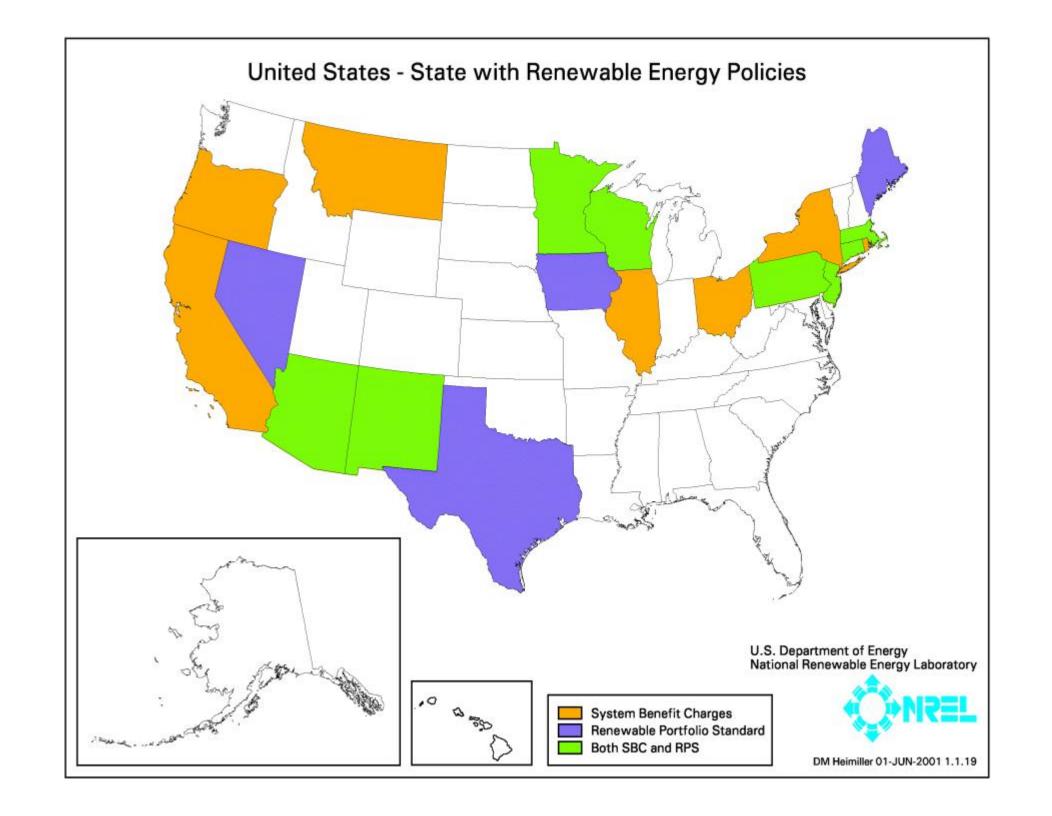




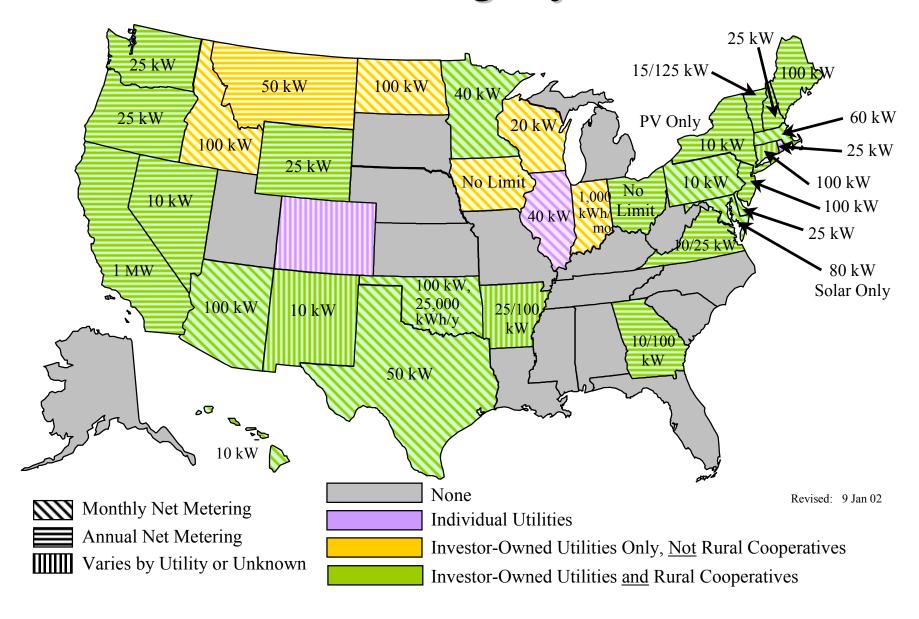
Goals

- Provide at least 5% of the nation's electricity with wind by 2020
 - Install more than 5000 MW by 2005
 - Have more than 10,000 MW on-line by 2010
- Double the number of states that have more than 20 MW of wind capacity to 16 by 2005, and triple the number to 24 by 2010
- Increase wind's contribution to federal electricity use to 5% by 2010
- Supplemental goals
 - Federal agencies-2.5% RE by 2005; 7
 1/2% by 2010

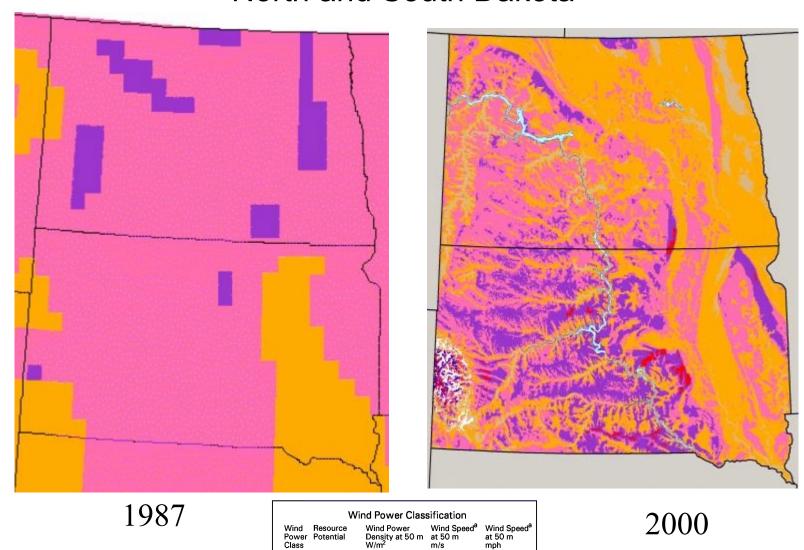




Net Metering By State



Comparison of Digital Wind Map from 1987 U.S. Wind Atlas and New (2000) High-Resolution (1-km²) Wind Map North and South Dakota



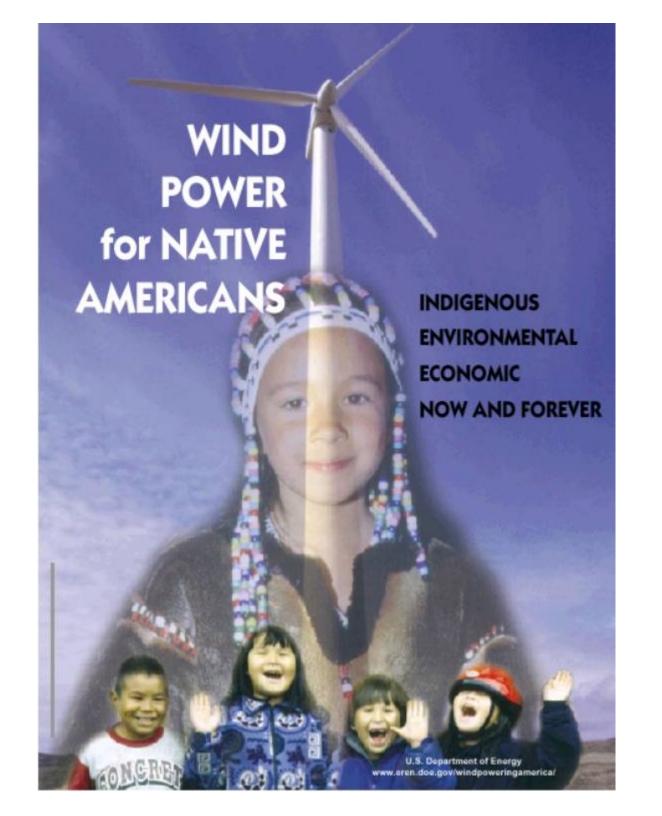
17.9 - 19.7 19.7 - 24.8

Marginal Fair Good Excellent

Superb

Outstanding 600 - 800

Wind speeds are based on a Weibull k value of 2.0





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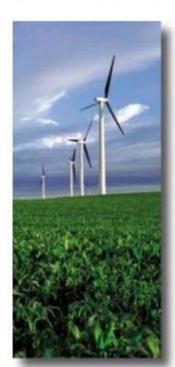
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Regional Activities

Native Americans

Public Power



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