

WHY IT MATTERS TO INDIAN COUNTRY

- Energy projects in Indian Country hold immense promise for diversifying Tribal economies while bringing much-needed energy systems to remote and isolated communities
- Indian Country has tremendous wind and solar potential, among other renewable energies
- This title provides funding and research support for alternative energy technology, production of renewable biomass for biofuels, education, research, financial assistance, and the manufacture and production of renewable energy

With 14% of Indian Country's households lacking access to basic energy needs like electricity, creating more opportunities for Tribes to access Energy Title programs is critical.

Providing renewable energy for Indian Country's 80,000+ farmers and ranchers will stabilize Tribal agricultural operations and help keep food prices from rising. This is a crucial need for Indian Country, where food prices are already higher than average.

INDIAN COUNTRY PRIORITIES

- Ensure Tribal eligibility in energy authorities
- Create Tribal set-asides in the Rural Energy for America Program (REAP)
- Develop Tribal solar energy grant programs
- Establish Tribal bio-based energy grants

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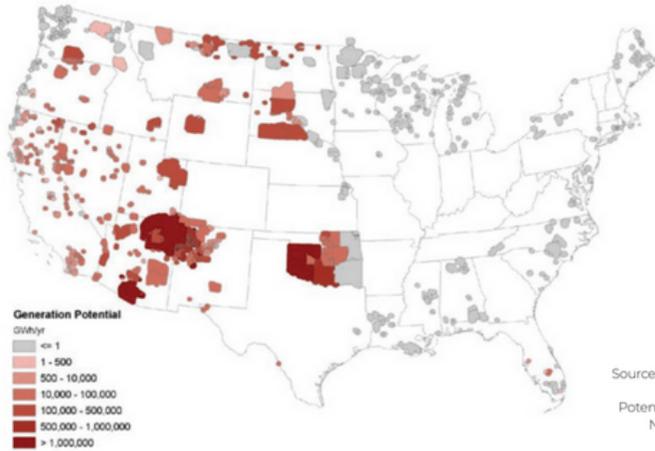
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Indian Country has just under 4% of all energy potential in the U.S.

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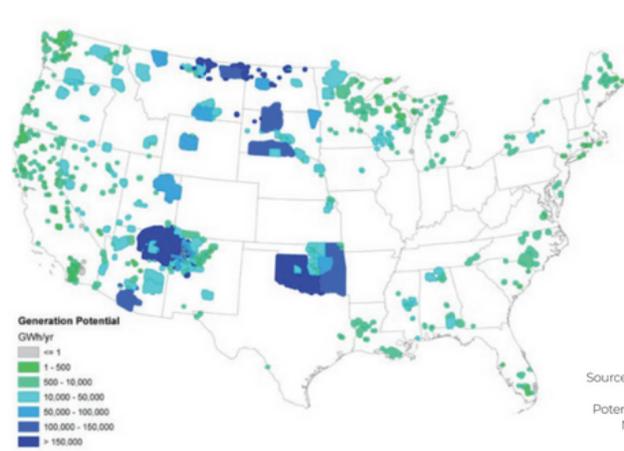
Indian Country holds 5% of the nation's solar potential

Solar Power Potential



Source: Techno-Economic
Renewable Energy
Potential on Tribal Land
National Renewable
Energy Laboratory

Wind Power Potential



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Energy independence for Indian Country, developed through renewable energy projects, would vastly reduce energy costs for Native agricultural producers.

CHECK OUT THE NATIVE FARM BILL COALITION'S REPORT [GAINING GROUND](#) TO FIND MORE INFORMATION ON INDIAN COUNTRY'S PRIORITIES: www.nativefarmbill.com/gaining-ground.



The Native Farm Bill Coalition (NFBC) brings together the voices of Tribes, intertribal organizations, other Native organizations and non-Native allies around the country to advocate with a strong, unified voice in Washington, D.C., to advance investments in Native agricultural production, rural infrastructure, economic development, conservation, and forestry.