

The Renewable Energy Program promotes the growth of North Dakota's renewable energy industries through research, development, marketing and education. Dollars are available in three grant rounds and are limited to \$500,000, requiring a 50 percent match.

North Dakota's Renewable Energy Program was established by the legislature in 2007 under the control of the North Dakota Industrial Commission. The law provides that the Industrial Commission shall consult with the Renewable Energy Council (REC).

The REC is made up of seven individuals including the North Dakota Department of Commerce Commissioner, who serves as chairman, and representatives from the following six industries:

- Agriculture
- Biomass
- Biodiesel
- Wind
- Ethanol
- Sugar Beet-Based Ethanol

The North Dakota Department of Commerce provides technical assistance on the management of this program.

Renewable Energy Program policies, an application template, prior and on-going projects and other resources can be found at

www.nd.gov/ndic/renew-infopage.htm.



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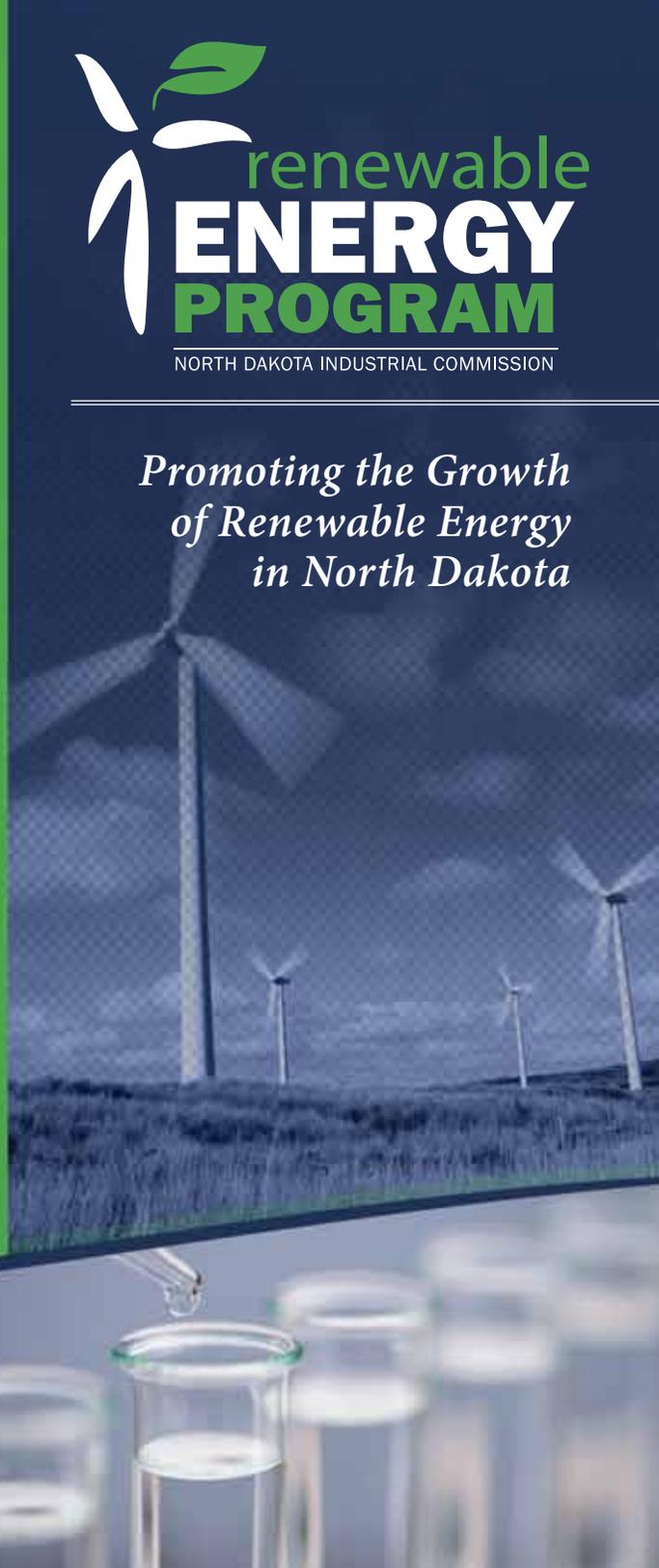
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ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Any project proposing education, research, development or marketing of renewable energy resources, materials or products is eligible.

To be considered, projects must:

- Demonstrate a high probability of advancing to a commercially viable stage supported by a road map to commercialization.
- Have significant involvement from a North Dakota private entity.
- Not be duplicative of other research or demonstration projects or technology.

An entity may apply for grants for different phases of a project, provided appropriate benchmarks are in place and earlier phases have been deemed successful by the Renewable Energy Council and Industrial Commission.

Examples of eligible projects include:

- Generate information and knowledge to develop new renewable energy company investment.

- Preserve and create renewable energy jobs, wealth and tax revenues.
- Create economic stability, growth and jobs creation related to the production and utilization of biomass resources.
- Educate the general public about the benefits and opportunities provided by renewable energy, materials and products.
- Promote efficient, economic and environmentally sound development and use of renewable energy resources, materials and products.
- Identify and develop renewable energy technologies presently not used in North Dakota.
- Promote research of renewable energy coproducts for livestock feed, human food products and industrial use technologies.
- Establish an incentive program to assist the agricultural community in demonstrating the commercial feasibility of production, harvest, storage and delivery of a biomass feedstock. Maximize the market potential for renewable energy resources, materials and products and the associated byproducts.
- Develop baseline information that will lead to other projects, processes, ideas and activities.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

There are three grant rounds per year. The application deadlines are January 1, May 1 and September 1. Additional grant round deadline dates may be established by the North Dakota Industrial Commission.

AWARD CEILING

Awards are limited to \$500,000 and require a 50 percent match. In-kind services may not exceed 50 percent of the total Industrial Commission funding amount.

