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Wind conferences to focus on getting more Community and Small Wind projects in the ground

Windustry, a national leader in helping communities develop and own wind energy, is pleased to announce the kick-off to *Community Wind across America* will be in Denver, Colorado.

Community Wind across America is a series of two-day regional conferences on Community Wind and Small Wind presented by Windustry, with support from the U.S. Department of Energy.

A two-track program covers both Community Wind and Small Wind. Each track will include practical "how to" information, overviews on permitting, local, state and national policies, and options for financing.

Conferences in 2010 include the **Rocky Mountain Region**, October 26–27, Denver, Colorado; **Midwest Region**, November 15-16, St. Paul, Minnesota, and **Mid Atlantic Region**, Feb.8-9, 2011, State College, Pennsylvania.

REGISTRATION is now open. Discounted prices are available with early Registration.
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WHAT: *Community Wind across America Rocky Mountain Region Conference*
WHEN: October 26-27, 2010
WHERE: Renaissance Denver Hotel, Denver, Colorado

Who should attend *Community Wind across America* for the Rocky Mountain Region?

This conference promises to cover the full range of what's needed to advance opportunities for locally-owned wind energy production. It is for all who are interested in developing wind energy in the Rocky Mountain Region and surrounding states, including farmers, ranchers, rural landowners, municipal utilities, elected officials, town planners, tribal representatives, economic development professionals, business leaders, investors, bankers, and community leaders.

What to expect:

- **Learn about the benefits** of Community Wind and Small Wind for rural economic development
- **Hear from experts** who can speak to the details, from start to finish
- **Meet business colleagues**
- **See Exhibits** from manufactures, installers, educators, community leaders, clean energy advocates, environmental groups, and other members of the community.

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Support for Community Wind across America comes from U.S. Department of Energy funding and national sponsor, Nordic WindPower. Colorado State Governor's Energy Office is a platinum sponsor for the Rocky Mountain Region event, which is also sponsored by North American Windpower, WindLogics and Western Area Power Administration.

What is Community Wind?

Community wind energy projects come in many shapes and sizes, all sharing significant elements of local ownership and participation (public or private). This new economic opportunity for rural communities can build support for renewable energy in general while maximizing the local economic benefits of wind energy development.

What is Small Wind?

Small Wind turbines have rated capacities of 100 kilowatts and less. They produce clean, emissions-free power for individual homes, farms, and small businesses. The U.S. leads the world in the production of small wind turbines and the market is expected to continue strong growth through the next decade.

About Windustry®

Windustry® is a nonprofit with 15 years of experience in promoting progressive renewable energy solutions and empowering communities to develop and own wind energy as an environmentally sustainable asset. Through member supported outreach, education and advocacy we work to remove the barriers to broad community ownership of wind energy. **www.windustry.org**

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