

Wind Energy Forum

July 9, 2009

Wanamingo Community Center
Wanamingo, MN

- 5:00 **Welcome and Introductions** - Tim Penney, Southern MN Initiative Foundation
- 5:10 **Economic Development Impacts of Community Wind Projects:
A Review and Empirical Evaluation**
Eric Lantz, Markets and Policy Analysis group, National Renewable Energy
Laboratory. Eric works primarily with issues of state policy and expanding
markets for renewable energy. In addition, he concentrates on evaluating the
economic development impacts of wind power and other energy generation
technologies.
- 5:40 Questions and Responses
- 5:50 **Project Development Panel**
Moderator: Cheryl Glaeser, Southwest Initiative Foundation & REDI
Panelists: Charlie Daum, Geronimo Wind; Mark Rathbun, Great River Energy,
Pat Louwagie, Hoffman & Brobst; Stan Duran, Lindquist & Vennum; Chuck
Burdick, National Wind
- 6:20 Questions and Responses
- 6:35 Break
- 6:55 **Siting and Permitting Panel**
Moderator: Rich Huelskamp, Southern MN Initiative Foundation
Panelists: Carl Herbrandson, MN Dept of Health; John Schladweiler, Mn Dept of
Natural Resources; Kevin Romuld, National Wind Assessments; Ron Peterson,
Westwood Professional Services; Yusef Orest, WindLogics
- 7:25 Questions and Responses
- 7:40 **Wind Energy Community Experiences**
Moderator: Melissa Peterson, Windustry
Panelists: John Meyer, High Country Energy; Dean Runde, Pioneer Prairie; Jim
Nichols – Lincoln County Farmer, former State Senator and former Commissioner
of Agriculture; Tiff Thompson, National Wind; additional panelists pending
- 8:10 Questions and Responses
- 8:25 **Closing Comments** - Goodhue Electric Cooperative