# Sandia National Laboratories' Technical Assistance to Native American Tribes

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### Renewable Energy Resources





## Renewable Energy Technologies









#### Where is Sandia National Labs?



- New Mexico
- California

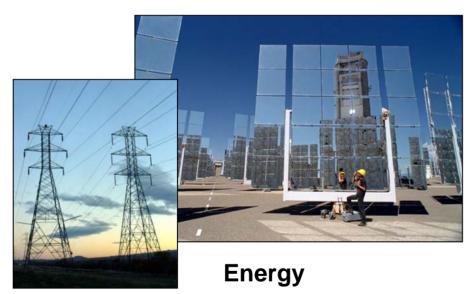
• Nevada

- Hawaii
- Texas





# Sandia addresses the surety (safety, security & reliability) of critical infrastructures









**Transportation** 





# DOE's Tribal Energy Program Tribal Energy Program

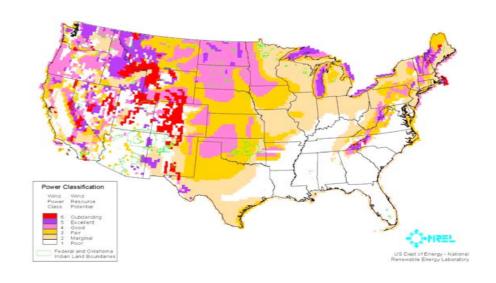
# Sandia & NREL Provide Information and Technical Assistance

#### **Technical Assistance**

- Expert Advise
- Models and Tools
- Resource Maps

#### **Information and Support**

- Regional Workshops
- Program Brochure
- Tribal Energy Website
- Guide for Tribal Energy Development (Under development)







### **Tribal Energy Program**

### **Education Program**

#### **Student Internships**

Three summer interns sponsored (2003, 2004)

One summer intern sponsored 2005

Year-round interns sponsored (2002-2005)

#### 2005 Students

Tanya Martinez
Debby Tewa
Jennifer Coots



2005 Student Interns



#### Sandia's current technical assistance to tribes



Propane generator will be used as a back-up energy source for the Ramona Band's micro-grid hybrid system.

Sandia provides technical assistance for the DOE Tribal Lands Program awardees.

- Continued support of an ecotourism development (CA-Ramona Band of Cahuilla).
- Partnership with Navajo Nation Navajo Tribal Utility Authority NTUA Wind Feasibility Study

Albuquerque's Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute (SIPI) designed & installed photovoltaic, wind and solar hot water systems to educate and train Native American students in renewable energy technology.

 With the students' assistance, SIPI operates and maintains the systems.

Tribal Energy Website www.eere.energy.gov/tribalenergy



# DOE/Sandia's technical assistance to the Navajo Nation through NTUA's Solar Program

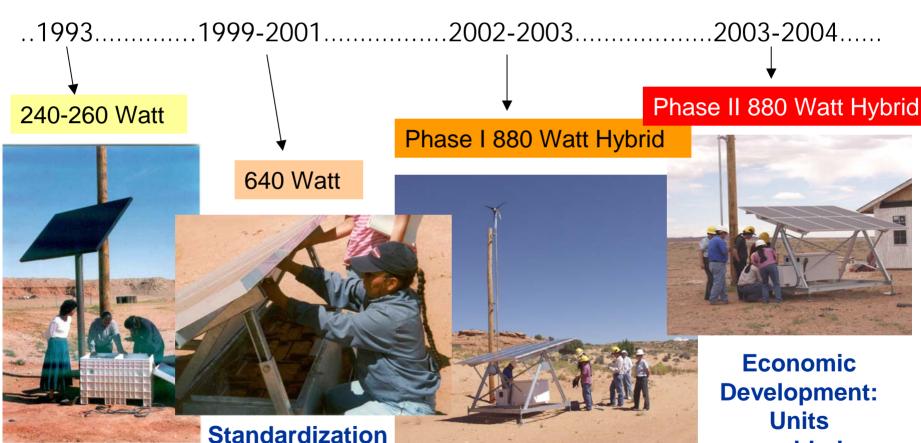
- Support NTUA as a Leader in Rural Solar Electrification
- Assist NTUA Solar Program Coordinator to create a sustainable program
- Convey NTUA's success in solar to others, including the Department of Energy





DOE, Sandia and Navajo Nation signed an MOU for collaboration and technology transfer for the Navajo Nation, which emphasizes energy, environment, education, economic development, communication

### **NTUA's Technical Changes**



**Business potential** realized

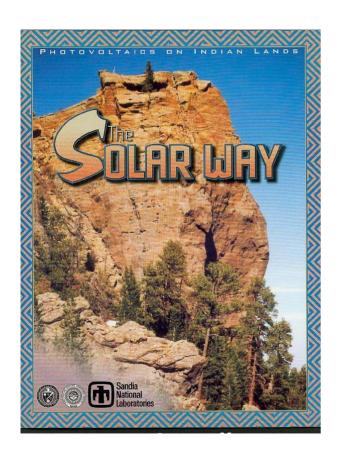
achieved

**Battery bank powered** by hybrid design

assembled on **Navajo Nation** 



# The Solar Way: Photovoltaics On Indian Lands Published At Sandia



The full-color, 60-page document illustrates the myriad uses of PV on tribal lands throughout the United States.

The book uses the Seven Generations philosophy to come to organize the material.

 Caring for the earth and things on it, and living as sovereign people for Seven Generations

The book is intended to help tribes make informed decisions about photovoltaics.

 With extensive contacts listed, tribes can network and also conveniently seek technical assistance as they move forward with solar electricity projects.





### **Tribal Energy Program**

#### **Tribal Council**



Sovereignty,
Codes & Standards,
Contracts

#### **Environment**

Earth, Air, Water, Sacred Sites

#### **Financing**

Tribal Resources, RUS Loans, Federal Grants, "Green Tag" Sales Tribal Champion Or Team

**Strategic Plan** 

**Projects** 

**Tribal Energy Use & Growth** 

Existing Residential,
Commercial & Industrial
Loads & Growth

#### **Technology**

Energy Resources, Technology Options

#### **Power Markets**

On-Site Energy
Displacement,
Merchant Power Sales,
"Green Tag" Sales

