



Hopi Utilities Corporation

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Hopi Tribe Energy Manager

The Hopi Utilities Corporation (HUC) is seeking an individual with significant experience in renewable energy development for a year-long full-time position as Hopi Tribe Energy Manager. The successful candidate will be an experienced program manager with a track record of managing or facilitating multi-agency and departmental teams in completing strategic plans, utility organization and/or achieving tribal energy development goals.

This is an independent contractor position employed by HUC, which is headquartered in Flagstaff, Arizona. This position has additional responsibilities to coordinate with the Hopi Renewable Energy Office and other tribal programs in Kykotsmovi, AZ to support the Hopi Tribe in its pursuit of utility-scale renewable energy development, energy system modernization and optimization, and other clean-energy-for-economic-development initiatives.

Job responsibilities include:

- Assist with various aspects of renewable energy development, including communicating with and evaluating inquiries from developers and preparing potential Requests for Qualifications or Proposals for Development on Hopi land.
- Coordinate with other offices within the Hopi Tribe, entities of the Tribe, non-Tribal utilities, developers, and regulators in pursuit of renewable energy development.
 - Develop professional relationships with new potential renewable energy off-takers and renewable energy or energy storage development partners. These potential partners include electric utilities, utility-scale developers, community-scale or microgrid developers, and large corporate or institutional energy users. As part of this role, create or adopt a contact management platform for continued tracking of communications and opportunities.
- Assist in development of Hopi Tribe policies regarding renewable energy development zones on all Hopi Tribal Trust lands. Provide expertise to support development of screening criteria for these zones, investigation and analysis of the zones, and development of appropriate policies to ensure actual development of utility-scale renewable energy projects.
 - This task involves significant effort coordinating or performing GIS mapping and analysis.
- Provide high-level strategic guidance for use of clean energy resources over the medium- and long-terms. This includes participation in the execution of the Hopi Utilities Corporation Strategic Plan (2019) as it relates to clean energy development and energy system optimization for economic development, including analyses furthering the HUC electrical power division. This will also include working with agencies and stakeholders to develop a Hopi Clean Energy Resource Roadmap intended to create long-term economic opportunities via use of renewable energy resources.
- Assist with the coordination of Hopi mapping resources for the establishment of renewable energy development zones, for other analytical initiatives related to clean energy development or energy sustainability, and for the implementation of the HUC Strategic Plan.

This position is expected to be *approximately*:

- 25% coordination with HREO, HUC, HTEDC, ORES, CPED, and external parties on furthering I-40 or other Hopi utility-scale solar/storage/other RE development opportunities.

- 25% GIS coordination, mapping, analysis, with the goal of developing RE Zones and answering technical questions about the Hopi energy or water systems in pursuit of economic development goals.
- 25% serving as a liaison to new or existing external partners, such as utilities, developers, corporations, and other institutions.
- 25% implementation efforts for the HUC/HREO Strategic Plan, as it relates to clean energy.

Qualifications:

- At least five years of experience related to renewable energy siting, contract negotiation, and project management.
- Experience working with utilities, regulators, and electricity customers. Experience working directly with APS, SRP, or the Arizona Corporation Commission preferred.
- Experience in quantitative energy data analysis. GIS skills preferred.
- Excellent research and written and oral communication skills, including ability to communicate with diverse stakeholders on complex issues.
- Strong organizational skills, with sharp attention to detail and demonstrated commitment to producing quality results.
- Demonstrated experience working collaboratively and effectively with peers. Proven ability to build rapport with individuals of different backgrounds and cultures. Demonstrated ability to build consensus between various village, tribe, state, federal and research institution agencies.
- Experience working with indigenous communities and sovereign governments required. Respect for traditional culture, local leadership and capacity building values. Experience working with and knowledge of Hopi Tribe and its trust lands preferred.

Compensation and benefits:

- This is a full-time contractor position.
- Office space will be available at Hopi Utilities Corporation in Flagstaff.
- Total compensation is \$120,000. The contractor is responsible for all personal business expenses, local travel expenses, and the cost of up to four trips outside of Arizona to meet with potential renewable energy development partners or customers.

How to apply:

Send a resume/CV and a cover letter to: info@hopitelecom.com

Position posted May 20, 2019; open until filled