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Wasatch Wind hires Casper engineering firms

By Wyoma Groenenberg

November 5, 2010 --

CASPER — Wasatch Wind has hired three Casper engineering firms for pre-construction services for the proposed 62-turbine Pioneer Wind Park, to be located south of Glenrock.

The three hired Casper companies are WLC Engineering Surveying and Planning (WLC), which will conduct site surveying; Civil Engineering Professionals Inc. (CEPI), which will complete a transportation analysis; and Terracon Consulting Engineers and Scientists, which will provide geotechnical studies.

The first project is expected to begin commercial operations by the end of 2011, with the second project following a year later. The infrastructure will be located within the approximately 30,000 acres of the Pioneer Wind Park.

Pioneer Wind Park will consist of two installations, each with a capacity of 50 megawatts, and expected to generate more than \$14 million in tax revenue over 20 years.

PacifiCorp, which does business as Rocky Mountain Power in Wyoming, has executed two power purchase agreements for all of the electrical output and renewable energy attributes generated by each wind project.

Having worked with the nearby landowners over the last two years, Michelle Stevens, director of communications for Wasatch Wind, said there have been studies on the environment, wind and cultural resources in regard to the proposed park.

"We expect the permitting process from Wyoming's Industrial Siting Council to be completed before the end of the year," said Stevens, who added that Wasatch also is complying with Converse County regulations.

An open house is scheduled from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, for all residents interested in learning about the project. Stevens said there will be displays to explain how the park will work. About 15 Wasatch representatives will be on hand to answer questions. The event will be at the Glenrock Rec Center.

An independent wind energy developer, owner and operator, Wasatch Wind is located in northern Utah and completed that state's first commercial scale wind facility in Spanish Fork City in 2008.

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