

East Central Illinois Economic Development District (ECIEDD)

Wind Farms Forum

Friday, January 30, 2009
8:00 am – 12:00 pm
CCRPC John Dimit Conference Room
Brookens Administrative Center
1776 East Washington, Urbana

AGENDA

- 8:00 – 8:30 Sign in, welcome and introductions
- 8:30 – 9:30 Speaker: economic benefits/costs of wind farms
Prof. Dave Loomis, Illinois Working Wind Group
- 9:30 – 10:15 Discussion: existing and pending local wind farm ordinances
- 10:15 – 10:30 Break
- 10:30 – 11:00 Speaker: a perspective from a wind farm company
Tim Polz, Midwest Wind Energy
- 11:00 – 11:30 Roundtable discussion
- o How we can strengthen ourselves to garner component manufacturers?
 - o What educational opportunities are there related to wind farm construction and manufacturing in our region?
- 11:30 – 12:00 Next steps
- o *What other questions do we need answered?*
 - o *What actions need to be taken?*
 - o *Upcoming seminars:*

"Wind Farms in Central Illinois" (both live and via video feed)
Thursday, Feb 5, 2009, 12pm - 1pm
1 Hazelwood Dr, Champaign, (IL Sustainable Technology Center)
ISTC Seminar Series on Sustainability
Presented by Randy Lloyd, McLean Co. UIUC Extension office
http://www.istc.illinois.edu/about/sustainability_seminars.cfm

"Siting, Zoning, and Taxing Wind Farms in Illinois"
Wednesday, Feb 4, 2009, 8-3 PM
Hotel Pere Marquette
Peoria, Illinois
<http://www.wind.ilstu.edu/conferences/siting.htm>