



Title: Empower Eastport: Guiding Community Partnerships

Team Name: Island Institute

Project Description:

Island Institute seeks to facilitate the effective collaboration between stakeholder organizations working in Eastport, ME to address their regional energy challenge. Our project supports their work towards regional energy security through the creation of the following infrastructure projects: the Eastern Maine Microgrid, Energy Storage and Tidal Energy Project.

This project would allow us to hire a “Clean Energy Partnerships Consultant” to strengthen ties and foster engagement between regional private and public stakeholders. Key regional stakeholders include the City of Eastport, Ocean Renewable Power Commission (ORPC), and Versant Power—with the goal of bringing the Passamaquoddy Tribal Government at Pleasant Point into energy projects designed to bring resiliency upgrades to the region.

Prize funds will support the coordination of key regional stakeholders through our Clean Energy Partnerships Consultant. Coordination activities include facilitation of monthly all-partner meetings and weekly subgroup meetings; agreement of partner roles and creation of formal inter-partner plan; identifying and onboard additional private/public partner organizations for to support planning, acquisition, and deployment of components within infrastructure projects.

3-minute Video Pitch: [Click Here](#)

Key Project Members:

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