

Title: The New Mexico Tribal Energy Coalition Partnership Project Plan

Team name: New Mexico Tribal Energy Coalition (NMTEC)

Short description:

ICAST (International Center for Appropriate and Sustainable Technology) is a 501c3 nonprofit with a mission to create economic, environmental, and social benefits for communities in a manner that builds local capacity. It leverages utility, local government, state, and federal contracts to design and drive energy efficiency and renewable energy programs that benefit low-moderate-income and historically underserved communities. ICAST is seeking funding under the Partnership track to deepen its relationships with underserved, rural Tribal Nations in New Mexico (NM). Its goal is to develop a sustainable NM Tribal Energy Coalition (NMTEC or “Coalition”) that can jointly pursue large-scale clean energy projects by pooling resources and expertise. This Justice40-aligned effort will create healthier, safer, and more comfortable homes; create workforce development opportunities; advance tribal goals for energy independence, either via establishment of individual utilities or via a collective Tribal utility.

Link to your three-minute, online video pitch:

<https://youtu.be/KZeAWyQKiB8>

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Other Partners:

Taos Pueblo, Pueblo de Cochiti, Zia Pueblo, Jemez Pueblo, Mescalero Apache Pueblo, Acoma Pueblo, and Isleta Pueblo. (All located in New Mexico.)

City and State:

Englewood, Colorado