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Energy Impact on Wyoming Economy Study

***REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS***

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**Economic Impact Study of the Energy Industry in Wyoming**

**1. INTRODUCTION**

The mission of the Wyoming Energy Authority (WEA) is to advocate, facilitate and advance Wyoming's energy economy. Wyoming energy powers our country, and we support the growth of a secure and prosperous future for Wyoming's energy and natural resources. The WEA is issuing a request for proposals (RFP) to conduct a comprehensive study on the economic impacts of the energy industry in Wyoming. This study will provide critical data and analysis to inform policy decisions and promote energy development.

Successful proposals will specifically address the proposed direct and indirect, actual and potential public benefits of the study, which will accrue to the State of Wyoming, its residents and communities, including, but not limited to, job creation or retention, technological advancement, sales and use tax, severance tax, and ad valorem/property tax.

**2. TOPICS AND PROJECT GUIDELINES**

The study's objectives include, but are not limited to:

- Analyzing the economic impact of energy production within Wyoming.
- Analyzing the economic impact of the Energy Matching Funds program's investments in Wyoming energy projects.
- Comparing each energy and mineral source's production.
- Benchmarking Wyoming's energy production against other states and countries.
- Quantifying the energy industry's contributions to state and local tax revenues.
- Assessing employment and payroll data related to the energy sector.
- Identifying both tangible and intangible economic benefits generated by the energy industry.
- Documenting energy-related innovations developed by Wyoming producers.

**3. FUNDING AND PROJECT PERIOD**

**A. Funding**

The WEA shall provide the necessary funding for the completion of the aforementioned study.

**B. Project Period**

The final report must be submitted to the WEA no later than September 1, 2025.

#### **4. APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY**

Participation in this program is open to private industry, public and private universities, government agencies, research institutions, and individuals who can undertake a demonstration project of this magnitude.

#### **5. PROPOSAL PREPARATION**

##### **A. Scope of Work**

The study must include a comprehensive analysis of the following:

- General overview and information on the various types of mineral production and energy production and generation that take place throughout the state.
- A determination of the economic impact of mineral and energy production in Wyoming by:
  - Each major region in Wyoming and the state as a whole;
  - Each individual type of energy or mineral production
- A historical timeline of Wyoming's mineral and energy economy from 1970 to the present day, with specific data points at ten-year intervals and each of the last 5 years, including but not limited to:
  - Production
  - Price
  - State and local tax contributions
  - Royalties and leases
  - Employment figures, both direct and indirect
  - Payroll amounts disbursed to Wyoming employees within the energy and mineral sector.
  - Identification of other tangible and intangible economic benefits.
  - Description of energy-related innovations.
- An overview of regulatory impacts on mineral and energy production, current and historic
- An overview of state and federal incentives for mineral and energy production, current and historic, including an evaluation of the economic impact of the Energy Matching Funds program investments in Wyoming energy projects since 2022.
- Any additional information deemed necessary by the WEA

##### **B. Required Assistance**

The selected proposer(s) will be authorized and required to seek assistance, in coordination with the WEA, from:

- University of Wyoming: School of Energy Resources
- University of Wyoming: College of Business and Economic Analysis
- Wyoming Community Colleges
- Wyoming Workforce Services
- Wyoming Business Council

- Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality
- Wyoming Department of Revenue
- Wyoming Economic Analysis Division
- Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
- Enhanced Oil Recovery Institute
- Wyoming State Geological Survey
- Any other state or federal agency necessary

### **C. Budget**

A detailed budget outlining all costs necessary to complete the scope of work must be included in the proposal.

### **D. RFP Questions and Answers**

If you have questions regarding this RFP or if you need more information, please email: Brayden Connour, Wyoming Energy Authority's Director of Investments brayden.connour3@wyo.gov with "Energy Study" in the subject line.

Answers to all questions emailed will be posted on the website. The dates for the deadline for when questions can be emailed, are listed in Section 9, "Dates."

## **6. PROJECT CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS**

The following project contract requirements are set out by the WEA. Applicants whose proposals are funded are required to:

### **A. WEA Board of Directors Approval**

Final project proposal approval rests with the WEA Board of Directors, requiring a majority vote for acceptance.

### **B. Execute a Funding Agreement**

The Funding Agreement shall contain the general and special terms to which Applicants must agree to receive funding, specify the terms and conditions under which funds shall be disbursed and may be withheld, describe any required or necessary approvals necessary, and include provisions including, but not limited to:

1. A methodology, including the ability for the WEA to audit records as necessary, to ensure all funds committed under the proposal are available and expended for the project as described.
2. A means for the final report to be submitted to the WEA to verify that the proposed project, as funded, was completed as represented in the proposal.
3. Provisions regarding the ownership, licensing, and use of data, information, studies, analysis, and intellectual property of any kind produced utilizing funds from this program.

A fully executed Funding Agreement between the WEA and the Applicant (including, if applicable other entities contributing to the project) must be in place prior to disbursement of funds from the program. As part of the Funding Agreement between the Applicant and WEA, the Applicant will require all project contractors to provide appropriate and sufficient payment and performance bonds. The WEA will work closely with awardees to negotiate and finalize the Funding Agreement after notification of award.

>>**NOTE:** Costs incurred prior to an executed Funding Agreement will not be reimbursed. <<

### **C. Submit a Final Executive Report**

This report should be a concise, non-technical summary of project results, including statements regarding the relevance and impact of the project to the aims and goals of this RFP. The report audience will include user groups, the general public, and non-specialists in the field. This report should be less than 30 double-spaced pages in length and no less than a font size of 11 and one-inch margins. The Final Executive Summary Report will be placed on the WEA website. Submission of the report will include presentations to the WEA staff.

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## **7. SUBMITTAL INFORMATION**

Proposals must be uploaded to the website address below before the date and time indicated in Section 9, "Dates." No exceptions will be made for late arrival of proposals for any reason. A confirmation email acknowledging receipt of the proposal will be sent within 24 hours of submission. If you do not receive a confirmation, please email [rob.creager1@wyo.gov](mailto:rob.creager1@wyo.gov).

The entire proposal is considered a public record; however, financial and commercial information provided by the Applicant is exempt from disclosure to the extent permitted by Wyoming Statute 16-4-203(d)(v). Please follow guidelines under Section 5, "Proposal Preparation," for identifying confidential and proprietary information.

Website: [www.wyoenergy.org/request-for-proposals/](http://www.wyoenergy.org/request-for-proposals/)

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## **9. DATES**

All times are Mountain Time. All dates are subject to change at the sole discretion of the WEA.

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## **10. RIGHTS AND DISCLAIMERS**

The WEA reserves the right, without limitation or qualification and at its sole discretion, to terminate this RFP process at any time. The WEA reserves the right, without limitation or qualification, to reject any proposal at any part of this RFP process. All decisions made by the WEA are not subject to appeal.