

renewable energy update forecast



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Thanks

to our latest business partners for their commitment to Blue Sky:

Alta

- Alta Ski Area
- Rustler Lodge
- The Deep Powder House
- Town of Alta

Cedar City

- Blue Sage Frame Shop
- Groovacious

North Logan

- Great Clips

Park City

- Paisley Pomegranate
- The Active Sole

Salt Lake City

- Bikram Yoga
- Black Sheep Wool Company
- Commercial Lighting Supply
- Landis Lifestyle Salon
- Red Butte Café
- Salt Lake Brewing Company
- Salt Lake City Bicycle Collective
- The Fitness Club
- The Little Gym
- Utah's Hogle Zoo

Salt Lake County

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Sandy

- Bikram Yoga
- Canyon Medical Center

For a complete list, please visit www.rockymountainpower.net/partners.

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Spring brings more Blue SkySM

More and more Rocky Mountain Power customers are choosing renewable energy. In 2006, an average of about 25 Rocky Mountain Power customers signed up for Blue Sky each day. Every customer who enrolls in Blue Sky makes a big difference, and together, Blue Sky customers are having a huge impact. Each month, these customers help prevent the release of approximately 35,500 tons of carbon dioxide, which is equivalent to taking 6,083 cars off the road for a year.*

Rocky Mountain Power is doing its share with the purchase of the 140.5-megawatt Marengo wind project, scheduled to be generating power by August 2007. Tower sections, turbines and blades began arriving at Marengo's Dayton, Washington site in February, with up to eight – out of a total of 78 – complete turbines to be delivered each week through late spring. Marengo is expected to have the capability to serve approximately 37,000 customers.

* Based on January 2007 participation levels

Renewable energy projects update

Renewable energy is growing



A Blue Sky funding award helped Entheos Academy in Kearns, Utah, install a solar array on the roof of the school. Learn more at www.renewablesynergy.com/entheos.htm.

Rocky Mountain Power customers who participate in Blue Sky are helping to advance community-based solar and wind power projects within the company's service area. The projects will be completed over a period of several years, and will demonstrate the value and practicality of renewable energy while providing benefits to communities and the region.

The growth of the program has enabled support for community-based renewable projects beyond the wind energy purchases made on behalf of Blue Sky customers.

Utah organizations receiving Blue Sky funding awards include:

- **Park City** – Three small wind turbines to help power the Park City Ice Arena, and additional funds for solar arrays in Park City. Estimated to be on line in 2007.
- **City of Moab** – Photovoltaic solar array on the roof of the Moab Arts and Recreation Center, and a second solar array for a planned recreation and aquatics center. Estimated to be on line in 2007.
- **Westminster College (Salt Lake City)** – Photovoltaic solar array on the roof of Westminster's newly constructed Health and Wellness building. Estimated to be on line in 2007.
- **Entheos Academy (Kearns)** – Photovoltaic solar array on the roof of Entheos Academy, a state-funded charter school, as well as funding for an additional system on another school as part of Renewable Synergy LLC's Utah Solar Schools initiative. On line the first quarter of 2007.
- **Tracy Aviary (Salt Lake City)** – Multiple renewable technology demonstration projects showcased at this public nonprofit. Estimated to be on line in 2007.

Do you have a small-scale renewable project that needs funding? Applications are currently being accepted. Check out the Blue Sky funding process at www.rockymountainpower.net/blueskyfunds for more information.

Foothill Village promotes Blue Sky

As Salt Lake City's first shopping center to purchase Blue Sky renewable energy, Foothill Village and eight Foothill businesses are actively educating their patrons about the availability and growth of renewable energy.

"Foothill Village is excited to be a part of the Blue Sky program, and we want to spread the word to the business community and our customers about the benefits of choosing renewable energy," said Terese Walton, Foothill Village property manager.



Foothill Village businesses are partnering with Rocky Mountain Power and Utah Clean Energy to encourage participation in Blue Sky through promotional events and special offers. Foothill Village now features a Blue Sky sign on their roadside marquee to make commuters aware of the program.

Foothill Village business Red Butte Café is a Visionary Blue Sky partner, offsetting 100 percent of the restaurant's power through Blue Sky. Red Butte Café is also offering a free dessert to patrons who enroll in the Blue Sky program at the restaurant.

Idaho keeps it clean

More than 600 people, many of them rural landowners, attended the Harvesting Clean Energy Conference held in January in Boise, Idaho. Organizers offered workshops and lectures on wind and biopower, biofuels and other renewable resources. For information on the conference and funds available for rural clean-energy projects, visit www.harvestcleanenergy.org/index.html

Partner in green

Rocky Mountain Power works in partnership with Utah Clean Energy, a nonprofit working to educate communities and encourage the adoption of renewable energy and energy efficiency. To learn more, go to www.utahcleanenergy.org or call (801) 363-4046.

Community designation

Park City becomes Utah's second "Green Power Community"

The community of Park City recently received the honorable designation of an official Environmental Protection Agency Green Power Community, making the world-renowned resort town Utah's second Green Power Community out of six nationwide. As a result of ongoing community-led efforts and a challenge to increase participation in the Blue Sky program, nearly 11 percent of residents and businesses are choosing renewable energy. The combined clean energy purchases (722,700 kilowatt-hours of Blue Sky energy annually) make up more than 4 percent of the total community electricity load, which has the equivalent impact of reducing carbon dioxide emissions by more than 8,000 tons.

"I am proud to be the mayor of a community committed to clean energy and sustainability," says Park City Mayor Dana Williams. "It makes sense for Park City to



Park City's support of renewable energy is making a difference.

support energy resources that do not contribute to global warming and air pollution – this community thrives on the quality of our environment."

To complete the clean energy circle, Park City was recently named the recipient of a Blue Sky funding award to pursue community-based renewable energy projects on various sites in Park City.

To find out how your area can become a Green Power Community, visit www.epa.gov.

Business profile

Alta Ski Area chooses Blue Sky

Alta Ski Area has become the first Wasatch Front ski resort to choose clean, renewable energy through the Blue Sky program.

"It's the right thing to do," said Onno Wieringa, president of Alta Ski Area, of the resort's recent Visionary level purchase.

"We appreciate the opportunity to work with this program to take our [environmental] commitment to the next level."

Alta Ski Area's Blue Sky purchase will offset 900 tons of carbon dioxide emissions per year, helping to reduce the resort's overall environmental footprint. Alta Ski Area has a number of



environmental initiatives underway, including a new partnership with CLIF® Bar and the Bonneville Environmental Foundation's *Ski Green™* program to make their Sugarloaf lift a "green lift" through renewable energy offsets. Alta also completed an energy audit with Rocky Mountain Power in 2005 and has started implementing efficiency improvements.

With studies revealing the potentially devastating impacts of climate changes on the ski industry, more Utah businesses are making the choice to switch to clean energy. Alta Ski Area is joined in their Blue Sky purchase by the town of Alta and two local Alta businesses, Rustler Lodge and The Deep Powder House.

Greening the big screen

Sundance's special feature

The 2007 Sundance Film Festival's energy use was pollution free, thanks to 185 megawatt-hours of clean, sustainable wind power provided through Rocky Mountain Power's Blue Sky program.

Renewable energy generated at the Pleasant Valley wind farm near Evanston, Wyoming, offset the electricity used to power all 28 of

the theaters and venues where film festival events took place.

"Rocky Mountain Power and Utah Clean Energy's support is an important step in our continuing efforts to ensure the sustainability of the festival in terms of its environmental impact," said Jill Miller, managing director, Sundance Institute.