Tenaska, a respected energy company, is working with Minnesota developer PRC Wind to develop a wind-power electric generation project near Center in Oliver County, North Dakota. Able to produce up to 200 megawatts (MW) of renewable power, this facility would bring construction and operations jobs, tax revenue and other economic benefits to the community.

**Key Facts**

Tenaska is working with PRC Wind to develop a wind-powered generation project that would have the ability to produce 200 MW of renewable power.

**Location**

Near Center in Oliver County.

**Timeline**

Development in 2017 and 2018; construction start targeted for late 2018 or 2019; commercial operation targeted for 30 years, starting in 2019 or 2020.

**Design**

Up to 100 turbines – 2 to 3.5 MW each.

**Electricity Production**

200 MW of renewable power for the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) or the Southwest Power Pool (SPP), the regional transmission organizations that ensure the reliability of the electric grid serving North Dakota.

**About Tenaska**

Tenaska is an energy company based in Omaha, Nebraska, with a reputation for building high-quality, efficient and environmentally responsible energy projects. Tenaska develops, constructs, owns and operates non-utility electric generating plants. It oversees operations at nine natural gas-fueled and renewable power plants in five states, totaling approximately 7,000 MW.

Additional information about Tenaska is available at [www.tenaska.com](http://www.tenaska.com).

**About PRC Wind**

PRC Wind is a highly experienced developer, financier, constructor, owner and operator of renewable energy projects, with a proven track record of successful wind energy development in the Midwest U.S. since 1997, PRC has achieved a strong track record of developing clean, cost-effective energy resources, having placed 1,800 MW of operating wind capacity on the grid.

Additional information about PRC Wind is available at [www.prcwind.com](http://www.prcwind.com).

Tenaska is known for being a good business neighbor. A Tenaska/PRC-developed wind project would bring significant benefits to the region, including jobs, tax revenue and a boost to the regional economy.

**Why Work With Tenaska?**

Tenaska strives to be a good and responsible neighbor in communities where it does business. The company cultivates long-term, mutually beneficial relationships with local leaders and residents built on respect, value and trust. Tenaska depends on those good working relationships and open dialogue with local leaders to help maximize the benefits to the community while ensuring its plants remain competitive businesses and stable employers.

As part of its commitment to being a good neighbor, Tenaska provides economic benefits and contributes to community-building programs in locations where its plants operate. The company has awarded approximately $650,000 in college scholarships to date.

**Land Use**

Wind projects optimize land use. A small portion – roughly 2/3s of an acre – is needed for siting of wind turbines and access roads. The remainder can continue to be used in its current state, such as for farming and grazing.

At the end of the wind turbines’ useful life, the project may be repowered or the turbines will be removed and the site will be reclaimed.

**Community Benefits**

Construction of the wind-generation facility in Oliver County is expected to:

- Boost the local economy, with a total estimated construction cost of $275 million to $325 million;
- Result in increased property tax revenue to local units of government;
- Diversify land use and provide stable income to land owners through lease payments;
- Create roughly 125 jobs during construction and up to 13 well-paying, full-time jobs during operation; and
- Offer opportunities for local businesses to provide goods and services to the project.

There will be additional “trickle down” benefits during construction and operation, as the construction workers and plant employees eat in restaurants and shop in local establishments.

At the same time, the project will create little demand for local services, such as schools, police or roads – a win-win for residents of the county.