



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF
OJIBWE INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

JOINT RESOLUTION 13-04-29-10

A JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR MEDIUM AND LARGE WIND ENERGY USAGE TO FURTHER THE GOALS OF RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ON MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE TRIBAL LANDS

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly is the duly-elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, a federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Band Assembly promotes tribal energy sufficiency and fosters employment and economic development on Tribal Lands; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Repowering of America Program and the National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL) in partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), has awarded the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe a grant for assessing the feasibility of medium to large scale wind renewable energy on Tribal Lands; and

WHEREAS, the Band Assembly recognizes the significance of long-term protection of the air, land, water and Treaty Resources for Band Members and the opportunity to take action and leadership by incorporating renewable energy into the Band's energy use portfolio; and

WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band has identified site 410TF 267, described as the South Half of the Northwest Quarter (S1/2 of NW1/4) of Section Thirty (30), Township Forty-three (43) North, Range Twenty-seven (27) West of the fourth Principal Meridian, Mille Lacs County, MN (see attached maps) as a potential site for medium to large wind turbine placement and the DOE requires a resolution in support of the selected site and feasibility study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band Assembly and the Chief Executive hereby supports and directs the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Department of Natural Resources to conduct a wind feasibility study to establish the feasibility and desirability of medium to large wind projects on Tract 410TF267.

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a special session of the Band Assembly in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present and held on the 6th day of January 2010 at Isle, Minnesota by a vote of 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Band Assembly hereunto cause to have set the signature of the Speaker of the Assembly to be affixed to this resolution and forwarded to the Chief Executive for Concurrence.



Herb Weyaus, Speaker of the Assembly

IN CONCURRENCE, with the action of the Speaker of the Assembly, I, set my hand to this resolution.



Marge Anderson, Chief Executive

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND