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How Renewable Projects Get Funded

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Agenda

- Types of Funding
- Economic Drivers
- Improving Project Potential

Landfill Gas
MCLB Albany (ESPC)



Carport PV NB San Diego (O&MN Funds)

Types of Funding

The types of funds used to finance renewable projects fall into two categories: appropriated and 3rd party financed.

Appropriated

- Recovery Act (ARRA)
 - Special Appropriation
- Military Construction (MILCON)
 - Typically building construction incorporating renewable features
 - LEED and NetZero Building criteria
 - Energy Conservation Investment Program (ECIP)
 - MILCON funds dedicated to renewable projects
- Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization (O&M Funds)
 - Typically facilities maintenance funds for major repairs
 - Subject to Anti-Deficiency Act rules on construction versus repairs

Types of Funding (continued)

3rd Party Financed

- Utility Energy Services Contract (UESC)
 - Authorized by 10 USC 2913(D) for energy efficiency measures
 - Limited to electric and gas utilities
 - Must include incentives from the utility such as financing
 - Must be economical
- Energy Savings Performance Contract (ESPC)
 - Authorized by Energy Policy Act of 1992 for energy efficiency measures
 - Must be economical
 - Payments must come from verified savings
- Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)
 - Authorized by 10 USC 2922a for energy production facilities
 - Government purchases output
 - No economic criteria

Types of Funding (continued)

3rd Party Financed

- Energy Joint Venture (EJV)
 - Authorized by 10 USC 2916 for energy production facilities
 - Contractor sells production to others
 - Government gets a fee
- Enhanced Use Lease (EUL)
 - Authorized by 10 USC 2667 for leasing of government real property
 - Contractor uses property for commercial use
 - Government gets a fee or in-kind services

750 KW PV Carport
NS North Island
(ESPC)



Economic Drivers

Appropriated Funds

- Lower cost of capital
 - NPV analysis based on OMB discount factors tied to Treasury rates
- Limited opportunity to take advantage of incentives
 - General policy is that government doesn't sell REC's
 - Government cannot take advantage of Federal tax incentives
- Government assumes performance risk
- Government assumes O&M responsibility

Roof Top PV
NB Coronado
(ARRA)



Economic Drivers

Financed Funds

- Higher cost of capital
 - ❑ Finance rates dependent on private capital market
- Greater opportunity to take advantage of incentives
 - ❑ Produce additional revenue through the sale of REC's
 - ❑ Lower costs through State and Federal incentives
- Provide long-term predictable prices
- Lower performance and O&M risks to the government

GTMO Wind Turbines (ESPC)



Economic Drivers

All Funds

- Projects generally are required to be more economical than existing energy sources
 - Existing rates must be evaluated on a marginal basis
 - Care should be taken in the treatment of capacity related charges (e.g. demand)
- Alternative sources may incur additional utility charges
 - Standby charges
 - Departing load charges



NNSY 40 MW WTE
Cogeneration Plant
(MILCON)

Improving Project Potential

- Project potential increases where energy costs are higher
- State incentives vary, examine carefully
- Financed projects can have lower costs and risk
 - Availability of incentives
 - Ability to sell REC's
 - Long term rates
 - No ownership risks

1.1 MW Solar Array
MC Air Ground Combat Center (ESPC)

