



RESOLUTION NO. 08-10

TOWN OF TAOS RESOLUTION ON RENEWABLE ENERGY

WHEREAS the United States is currently importing an increasingly large percentage of its energy requirements in the form of non renewable fossil fuels and current trends continue on a path of exponential price increases that will impact all sectors of the economy;

WHEREAS individual households and those least able to afford rising fuel costs will bear the greatest economic burden, motivating a change to embrace currently available technology that utilizes the abundant energy in the form of sunlight;

WHEREAS the growth of the renewable energy industry is projected to develop into a major economic sector in the foreseeable future;

WHEREAS it is imperative that the community recognize and demonstrate leadership and address these trends in order to mitigate the adverse impact on its citizenry as well as to capitalize on the economic opportunity at hand in developing a key sector of our local economy;

WHEREAS the Town of Taos has committed to promote sustainable practices whenever feasible, as set forth in its Resolution 07-99;

WHEREAS Kit Carson Electric Cooperative has secured in excess of \$5,000,000 specifically for investment to generate renewable energy in the form of photo voltaic arrays to be placed and distributed throughout the region;

WHEREAS The Town of Taos and Kit Carson are intent on furthering the education of its members on the importance of increasing the use and development of renewable energy sources;

WHEREAS Kit Carson has identified the need to coordinate with local educational institutions to expand the skilled workforce required to meet the future demands of the expanding renewable energy industry

WHEREAS the Town of Taos, Kit Carson and select private entities have various properties that are optimal for siting photo voltaic arrays;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF TAOS GOVERNMENT MEMBERSHIP affirms its active support of Kit Carson Electric Cooperative in its commitment to demonstrate leadership in the development of renewable energy and in identifying the optimal location for photo voltaic arrays to include Town of Taos property.

ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL on this 19th day of February, 2008.

TOWN OF TAOS

By _____
Bobby F. Duran, Mayor

ATTEST:

Renee Lucero, Town Clerk