IOWAENERGYPLAN

The state of Iowa is in the process of developing a statewide energy plan. The Iowa Energy Plan will allow the state to set priorities and provide strategic guidance for decision-making around energy policy initiatives. This is an important effort as we work to position Iowa for the future. With a comprehensive, statewide energy plan, Iowa will continue to be one of the most attractive states in which to do business in the country.

The Iowa Energy Plan will include an assessment of current and future energy supply and demand, examine existing energy policies and programs and identify emerging energy challenges and opportunities. The purpose of this plan will be to encourage energy, economic and environmental benefits through its ultimate goals and recommendations.

The plan will be built on four foundational pillars. They are – economic development and energy careers; lowa's energy resources; transportation and infrastructure; and energy efficiency and conservation. These four areas represent the scope of energy consumers, our energy related infrastructure and markets for energy resources.

Working group members have been selected and meetings will be convened around each of these pillars to delve more deeply into the issues. Five public forums will held in the spring of 2016 to solicit citizen and interested stakeholder input.

The plan will be developed over the next several months with a tentative delivery date planned for November of 2016. The leadership team for the Iowa Energy Plan consists of Lt. Governor Reynolds, Iowa Partnership on Economic Progress (IPEP) members, Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) and Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) representatives.

For more information about the plan visit www.iowaenergyplan.org

