

Office Hours

CWX-022-AE

Arctic Energy Office (AE)

December 4, 2025

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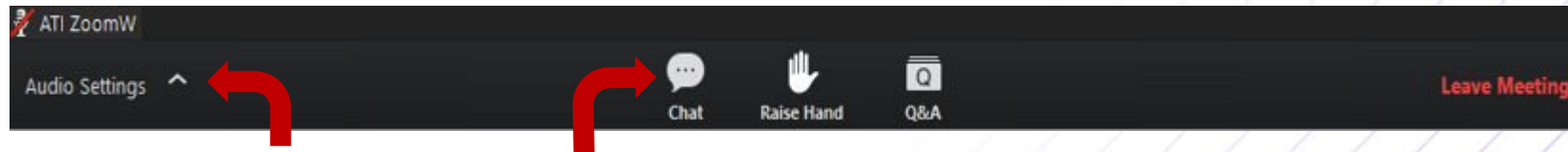
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ConnectWerx (CWX) Resources



COMMUNICATIONS

Stay **engaged and connected** with our various outreach channels

- CWX web & opportunities page
 - Opportunities / Awards
 - Events
 - Resources
 - CWX emails and outreach
- Join the Network!**
- CWX social media



VIRTUAL EVENTS

Take part in **opportunities** through virtual events

- CWX & DOE Objective Strategic Sessions (OSS/Webinars)
 - Learn about PIA opportunities facilitated by CWX.
 - Overview of opportunity and additional details to participants.
 - Q & A
- CWX & DOE Office Hours
 - Ask direct question to DOE and CWX.
 - Note: review application prior.



CONFERENCES

Encourage & coordinate **involvement** at conferences



March 10-12, 2026
Raleigh, NC

The mission of ConnectWerx is to **Engage, Match,** and **Collaborate** across the US Industrial and Academic base to help the Department of Energy (DOE) address **energy, environmental** and **nuclear** challenges through transformative science and technology solutions.



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AE Overview

About AE

Mission Statement

- The Arctic Energy Office brings the Arctic to the Department of Energy (DOE) and the DOE to the Arctic, with a particular focus on energy affordability, reliability, and security.
 - Principal advisor to DOE on all domestic Arctic issues, including energy, science, and national security
 - Coordinates numerous activities across the DOE complex related to the Arctic and brings them together to serve the Department, its Arctic stakeholders, and tribal entities

Statutory Authorization

- The Office is authorized by 42 USC 7144d passed by Congress in the 2001 National Defense Authorization Act (Public Law 106-398).

AE Program Initiatives

Arctic Energy Ambassadors Program

- Provides training and support for 12 regional place-based experienced practitioners to improve energy security across the U.S. Arctic.

Funding Gaps in Arctic Projects

- Enables project success through small awards that will maximize larger federal investments.

Advancing Arctic Priorities

- Represents DOE priorities for the Arctic at different state, domestic, and international groups.






Arctic Energy Seed Awards

Program Goal & Objectives

Goal:

Strengthen energy security in the Arctic by supporting projects that address local energy needs and challenges related to remoteness, infrastructure, and extreme conditions.

Objectives:

-  Enable and accelerate the delivery of Arctic energy projects through targeted training and technical assistance.
-  Provide small-dollar “Seed Awards” to close funding gaps and spur further project growth and development.
-  Facilitate sustainable, community-driven energy solutions that contribute to long-term resilience across the Arctic region.

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Application Process

Eligibility



Applicants must support the execution of projects in the U.S. Arctic. No individual will be eligible, and applications must be connected to one of the listed performer entities.



This PIA will not fund foreign entities or participants that are controlled or owned by non-US entities, but applicants may be involved with other Arctic partners in their work.



Awards will fund multiple awards up to \$50k each to support the execution of projects in the U.S. Arctic. Awards over \$50k will be considered by request with additional justification and budget analysis and subject to available funding.



Projects must be in Alaska or for the benefit of the Arctic. Applications from Alaska or Arctic-based companies, schools, or other entities are encouraged.

Application Timeline

Milestones to Consider:	Date:
Project Application Period Open: DOE begins accepting applications.	November 17, 2025
ConnectWerx post Informational Webinar / Objective Strategy Session (OSS) presentation	November 17, 2025
Office Hours for potential applicants	December 4, 2025
Submissions Close	December 17, 2025 (12PM AKST)

How to Apply

Submissions must include the following files as indicated in the below chart, using the required templates. Use the application linked [here](#) to apply.

File Title	Max	File Type
Project Narrative	5 pages	MS Word, PDF
Letters of Support	5 (1 page max per letter)	MS Word, PDF

Note: *Self-identification questions of the application have no impact on your application and are solely for metric purposes unless otherwise specified in the opportunity eligibility requirements. This includes UEID and NAICS.*

Review Criteria

Category	Criteria	Weight
Project Description and Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concise explanation of key considerations that inform the scope and approach • Clear explanation of the approach, any tools and methodologies that will be used, and the merit and relevance of the project • Convincing explanation of how the project, approach, tools and methodologies, and goals will address the gap or need, and how the project may catalyze future investments, savings, or progress. • Team synergy - how and why the team will work well together 	40%
Project Workplan and Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear description of the major tasks • Expected milestones, duration and budget • Information presented in the suggested table 	20%
Risks & Mitigation Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key risks associated with proposed activities clearly identified • Associated mitigation strategies for each clearly described 	20%
Project Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expertise clearly demonstrated • Responsibilities clearly described • Clear description of organizational capabilities and any additional resources clearly described • Concise explanation of how and why the team will work well together to execute this project, including past collaborations, complementing expertise, etc. 	20%

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Open Forum Q&A

How to Participate

1. Review details on eligibility, evaluation criteria, and how to apply.
2. Review the informational webinar/Objective Strategic Session presentation.
3. Attend the Office Hours on December 4, 2025 at 12 PM AKST.
4. Download the Project Narrative template [here](#).
5. Complete the application & upload completed the Project Narrative by clicking apply [here](#).

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