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Brown County
Selected as 25x25 Pilot Community

Brown County Executive Tom Hinz is pleased to announce that Brown County, in a collaborative partnership with the Oneida Tribe, has been selected by Governor Doyle as one of 10 communities statewide to receive the first Wisconsin Energy Independent Community Partnership 25x25 Plan Grant. "This is a great day for Brown County," states County Executive Hinz. "Brown County has been concentrating on energy conservation for over 10 years and this will help us move forward in creating a more sustainable community for all of us."

Applications submitted to the State of Wisconsin Office of Energy Independence for the 25x25 Plan Grant represented communities of every size from all corners of the state. With applications from more than 70 different communities, Brown County is proud to be chosen.

Beginning this month, as an EI Pilot Community, Brown County will start planning, begin organizing energy independence priorities and collecting energy data. By December 1, 2009 Brown County will have a plan in place to become 25% more energy independent by 2025.

On December 17, 2008, the Brown County Board of Supervisors unanimously passed a Sustainability Resolution committing Brown County to sustainable government policies and procedures and supporting a partner with the State of Wisconsin as a 25x25 Energy Independent Community.

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