



Skowhegan State Fair is a 100% wind powered event with a family Build-a-Blade Competition this Friday.

August 21, 1-4pm

Skowhegan State Fair
Skowhegan, Maine

Wind for ME and the Maine Ocean and Wind Industry Initiative will host a family Build-a-Blade Challenge at the Skowhegan State Fair on Friday afternoon.

For the second year, the Skowhegan State Fair is a 100 percent wind powered event. Power was purchased from renewable energy facilities such as wind farms to offset the electricity used to power the fair, representing approximately 89,000 kilowatt hours.

In addition to providing Maine Renewable Energy Credits, two local organizations, Wind for ME and the Maine Ocean and Wind Industry Initiative, will hold a family focused Build-a-Blade Challenge to design and build a mini wind turbine to pull a toy car along a track.

"We're proud of our partnership with the Skowhegan State Fair and its commitment to clean, renewable energy," said David Farmer, a spokesperson for Wind for ME. "The Build-a-Blade Challenge is a family-focused activity that helps people learn about the science of wind and how it can be harnessed to produce emission free power. Plus, it's a lot of fun."

Over 1,000MW of new onshore wind power development will be occurring in Maine over the next three years, representing a \$2.1 billion investment in wind energy in our state from 2015-2018. The Build-a-Blade events help to raise awareness and educate people on this growing piece of Maine's rural economy while providing another source of fun for fair goers and their children.

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