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Clean Energy Bounty Program Unlocks Energy-Saving and Cost-Saving Potential

[Idaho, September, 2023] — <u>Warm Springs Consulting</u> is excited to offer the <u>Clean Energy Bounty</u> program, a unique opportunity for four rural Idaho organizations to participate in cost-free Energy Treasure Hunts. During energy treasure hunts, teams of employees, students, or other organizational stakeholders tour a building - such as a school, hospital or manufacturing facility - to uncover energy-saving opportunities. The team's primary goal is to locate areas where energy is being wasted and to recommend measures to reduce energy consumption and costs.

Warm Springs Consulting will facilitate the Energy Treasure Hunts over the course of the next year. The first Energy Treasure Hunt will be hosted by the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes at the Duck Valley Reservation. Three additional organizations will be selected to join through a competitive application and selection process.

During an Energy Treasure Hunt, diverse teams will embark on a journey within their facility to explore energy consumption patterns. By observing operations, collecting data, and analyzing energy usage, participants will pinpoint areas of low-cost or no-cost energy-saving potential. This can encompass adjusting equipment settings, optimizing schedules, eliminating unnecessary energy consumption, and promoting behavioral changes. The ultimate objective? To unveil "hidden treasures" of energy savings that lead to reduced energy costs and enhanced environmental stewardship.

"The Energy Treasure Hunts go beyond traditional energy audits by engaging diverse stakeholders and creating buy-in for easy to implement projects," says Deb LaSalle, partner at Warm Springs Consulting, "We're excited to lead teams to identify practical strategies for long-term cost savings."

Organizations located in rural communities (with a population under 10,000) are eligible to participate. To learn more about the Clean Energy Bounty program and the Energy Treasure Hunt process, a webinar is scheduled for September 21, 2023. Program applications will be accepted until October 12, 2023. More information can be found on the website: **CleanEnergyBounty.com.**

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