

INDIANA ADVANCED NUCLEAR READY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM



Purpose

The Indiana Advanced Nuclear Ready Community program guides and supports counties or regions seeking to prepare for advanced nuclear energy development. The designation signals that a community has the infrastructure, workforce capacity, and formal local support necessary to attract small modular reactors (SMRs), advanced reactors, and nuclear supply chain investment.

Program Goals

- Site identification and transparency.
- Attract nuclear developers and manufacturers through demonstrated readiness.
- Build workforce pipelines in partnership with educational institutions.
- Ensure coordination across state agencies, utilities, and local government.
- Promote ongoing public education on nuclear energy technologies and benefits.

Eligibility

Any Indiana county or region collaborating with its cities and towns may apply. Early engagement with OED is encouraged.

Designation Tiers

Tier 1: Nuclear Aware

Tier 2: Nuclear Prepared

Tier 3: Nuclear Ready

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Designation Criteria

1. Community Education (All Tiers)
2. Site Characteristics (Tiers 2–3)
3. Community Support (Tiers 2–3)
4. Workforce & Education Readiness (Tiers 2–3)
5. Regulatory & Governance Readiness (Tier 3)

Application Process

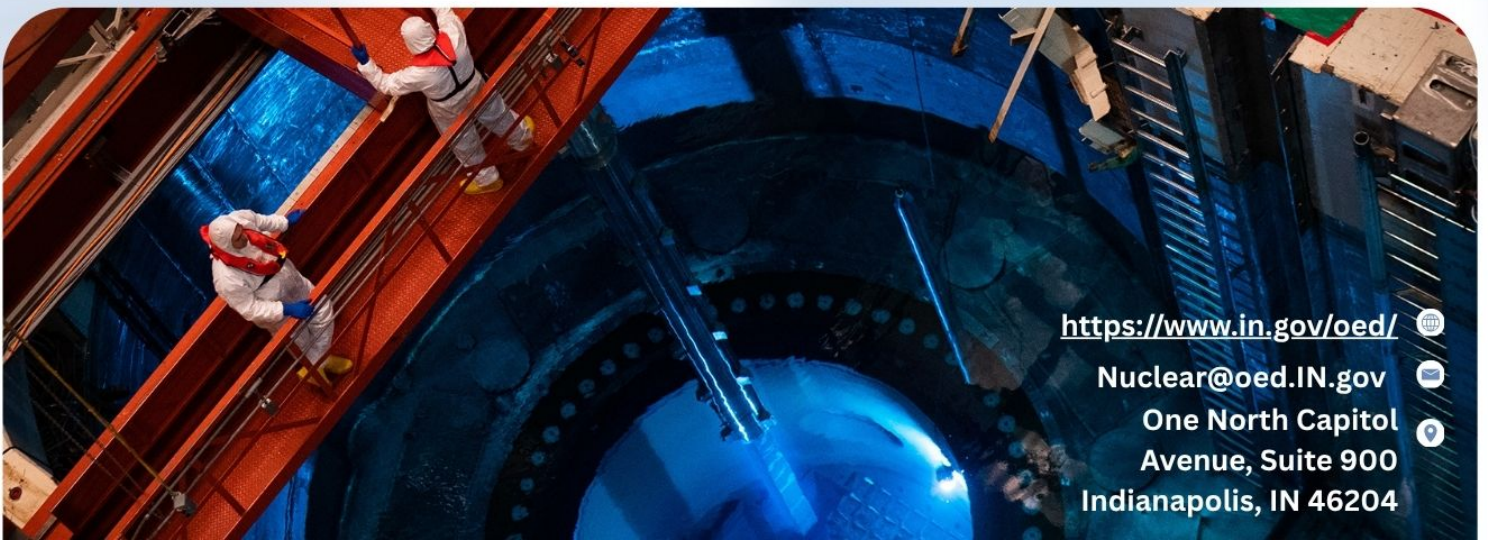
1. Notice of Intent
2. Application Submission with required documentation
3. OED Review (may include requests for clarification or site visits)
4. Designation Award
5. Tier Advancement allowed anytime with supplemental documentation

Maintenance & Revocation

Designation may be revoked if information is misrepresented, local support is withdrawn, or minimum requirements are no longer met. Communities are encouraged to maintain ongoing engagement and provide periodic updates

Program Administration

This program is administered by the Indiana Office of Energy Development. Questions regarding eligibility, application procedures, or program requirements should be directed to: EnergyReady@oed.in.gov.



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