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# Windmill proposed for Race Point

The Provincetown energy committee will meet this afternoon to discuss a proposal to put a windmill at the Race Point Coast Guard station.

The committee will ask the federal government to consider Provincetown as a site for a demonstration windmill project. The Coast Guard told the committee Monday that it will be possible for the town to rent property near the Race Point lighthouse for the project.

The government has sponsored four such windmill projects in Block Island, Puerto Rico, Hawaii and New Mexico. The demonstration projects were built so the government could continue studies on wind energy.

The energy committee will first submit a proposal requesting the government to consider the site. It then plans to apply for a grant from the federal Department of Energy to put the windmill in Provincetown. But Carol Rey, chairman of the energy committee, said more scientific data about the winds here is needed before the grant application can be written.

Rey said the committee is pleased that the Coast Guard site will be available. She was concerned because the Coast Guard is moving its headquarters from Race Point to the West End sometime this spring and the National Seashore has first bids on the property.

Funding Coordinator Jeff Parker, a member of the committee, said they were considering a two to three megawatt wind generator for Provincetown. Although the planning is still in the early stages, Parker said, the committee has had encouraging talks with governmental agencies, legislators and manufacturers.

Rey said the committee is still studying how a wind generator in Provincetown would help cut electrical bills and save energy. The meeting will be at 4 p.m. in Town Hall

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