

**Wind Energy for the Rest of Us: A Comprehensive Guide to Wind Power and How to Use It**

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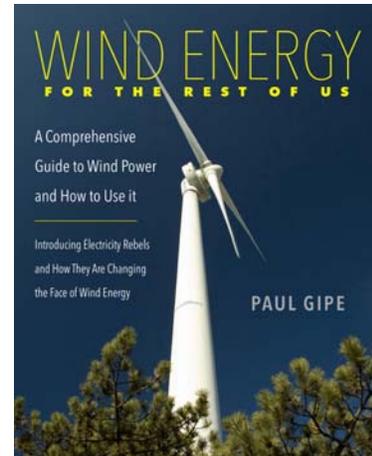
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***Wind Energy for the Rest of Us*** straddles two—or more—worlds. The book is about wind energy. It's not just about small wind turbines. It's not just about large wind turbines. It's about the depth and breadth of wind energy, encompassing more than either type of wind turbine. It includes water-pumping windmills and sailing ships. It's a sprawling book, one minute discussing how to install small wind turbines safely, the next explaining how farmers in Indiana can earn millions of dollars in revenue by installing their own multimegawatt wind turbines. It's a book hard to categorize. That suits Gipe. He likes to think he's hard to categorize after four decades in renewable energy. His book tells the story of modern wind energy in all its complexity and introduces electricity rebels to a North American audience for the first time--the trailblazers who have launched a renewable energy revolution in Europe.

**Paul Gipe** is an author, advocate, and analyst of the renewable energy industry. He has written extensively about the subject, receiving numerous awards for his efforts. Gipe has lectured before groups from Patagonia to Puglia, from Tasmania to Toronto, and from Halifax to Husum. He is well known for his frank appraisal of the promise and pitfalls of wind energy, including his stinging critiques of Internet wonders and the hustlers and charlatans who promote them. He led the campaign to adapt electricity feed laws to the North American market—the same policy that has stirred a renewable energy revolution in Germany. ***Wind Energy for the Rest of Us***, Gipe's seventh book on wind energy, debunks novel wind turbines, rebukes revisionist historians, and argues that renewable energy is too important to be left to electric utilities. He was recently named to the prestigious Energy Watch Group, one of only two Americans so honored.

## Topics

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## Advance Praise

“*Wind Energy for the Rest of Us* is the most definitive account of wind energy you are likely to find. Pure and simple. It doesn't matter whether you are an engineer, lobbyist, manager, academic, wind developer, or just somebody who wants to know about wind power, this book is the best source for helping you understand the technology, how it developed, where it's going, and how it fits in with the world. Paul Gipe is the master of wind energy, and this book is his masterpiece.”  
—David Toke, Reader in Energy Politics, University of Aberdeen, Scotland

“The wind is like the sun, a gift from the heavens. In all languages the wind is identified with the spirit--and it blows for everyone. This impressive work by Paul Gipe shows that the winds of change are unstoppable and that they are there for all of us. If we want a world free from conflict, we must build as many wind turbines as fast as possible--each turbine a sign of peace.”—Franz Alt, journalist, theologian, and author of *Der ökologische Jesus* and *Krieg um Öl oder Frieden durch die Sonne*

“Over the last 40 years, I've learned more about wind power from Paul Gipe than from any other source. Now he has put it all into one splendid new book. *Wind Energy for the Rest of Us* expertly addresses every question about technology, policy, and economics that is worth answering.”—Denis Hayes, Chair of Earth Day 2020 and former director of the National Renewable Energy Laboratory

“Paul Gipe has been involved with wind energy since its revival in the late 1970s. His extensive experience makes him uniquely qualified to be the author of this fascinating and informative book.”—Tom Gray, former Executive Director, American Wind Energy Association (AWEA)

“Gipe has been one of the leading voices for wind energy in North America . . . effectively straddling the line from technical to political while communicating wind's promise to the general public.”—Tim Weis, former Policy Director, Canadian Wind Energy Association (CanWEA)

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