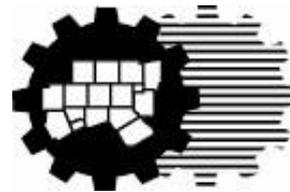


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U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) SunShot Initiative

The U.S. Department of Energy SunShot Initiative is a collaborative national effort that aggressively drives innovation to make solar energy fully cost-competitive with traditional energy sources before the end of the decade.

Through SunShot, the DOE supports efforts by private companies, academia, and national laboratories to drive down the cost of solar electricity to \$0.06 per kilowatt-hour.

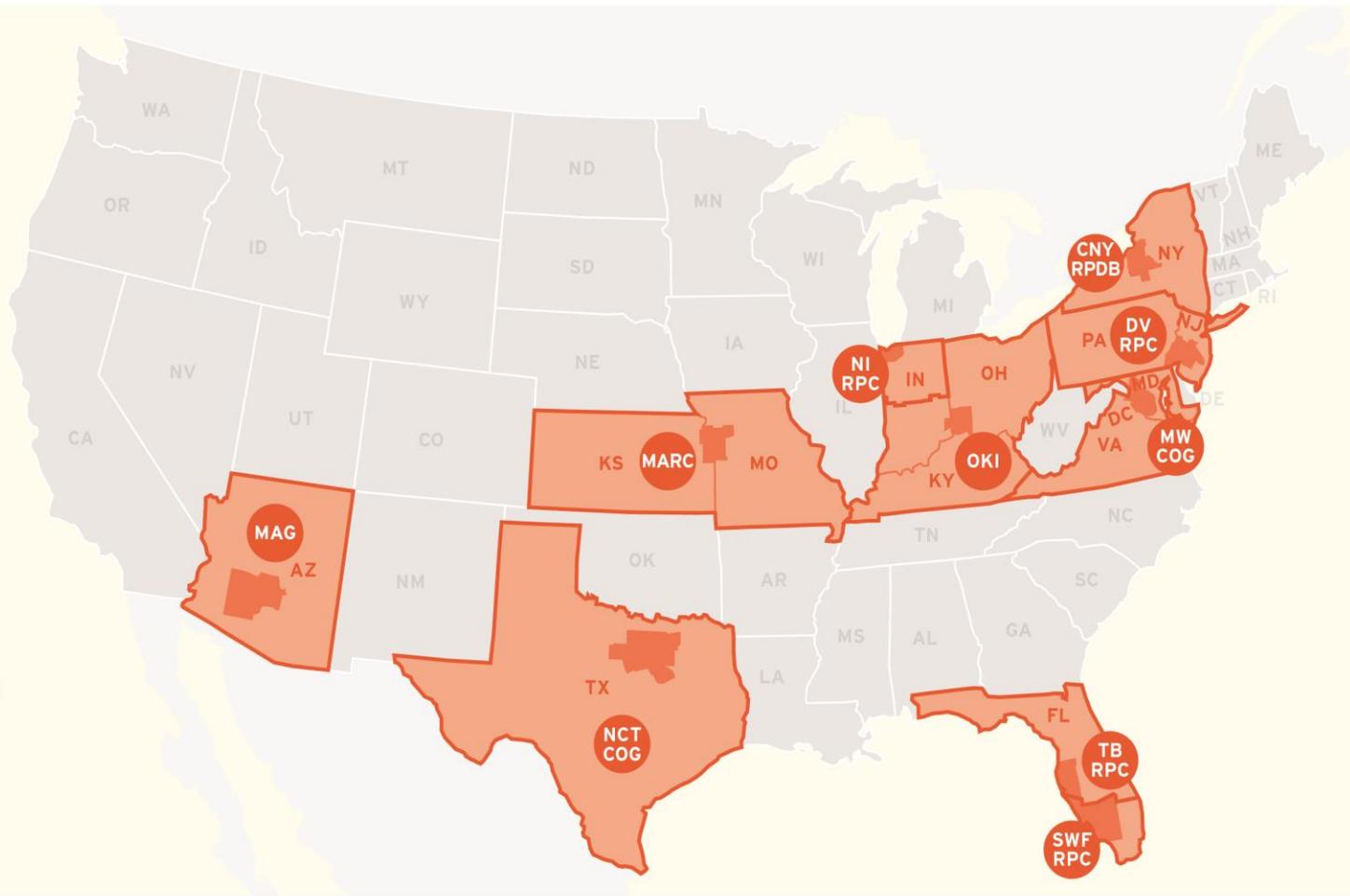
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The U.S. Department of Energy SunShot Initiative Rooftop Solar Challenge incentivizes regional awardee teams to make it easier and more affordable for Americans to go solar.

By streamlining permit processes, updating planning and zoning codes, improving standards for connecting solar power to the electric grid, and increasing access to financing, teams will clear a path for rapid expansion of solar energy and serve as models for other communities across the nation.

SOLAR READY II REGIONAL PARTNERS

- CNY RPDB** Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board
- DV RPC** Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission
- MAG** Maricopa Association of Governments
- MW COG** Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
- MARC** Mid-America Regional Council
- NCT COG** North Central Texas Council of Governments
- NI RPC** Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission
- OKI** Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments
- SWF RPC** Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council
- TB RPC** Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council



Solar Ready II

Partnering with **Mid-America Regional Council (MARC)**, **National Association of Regional Councils (NARC)**, **Meister Consultants Group (MCG)**, and **Council of State Governments (CSG)**

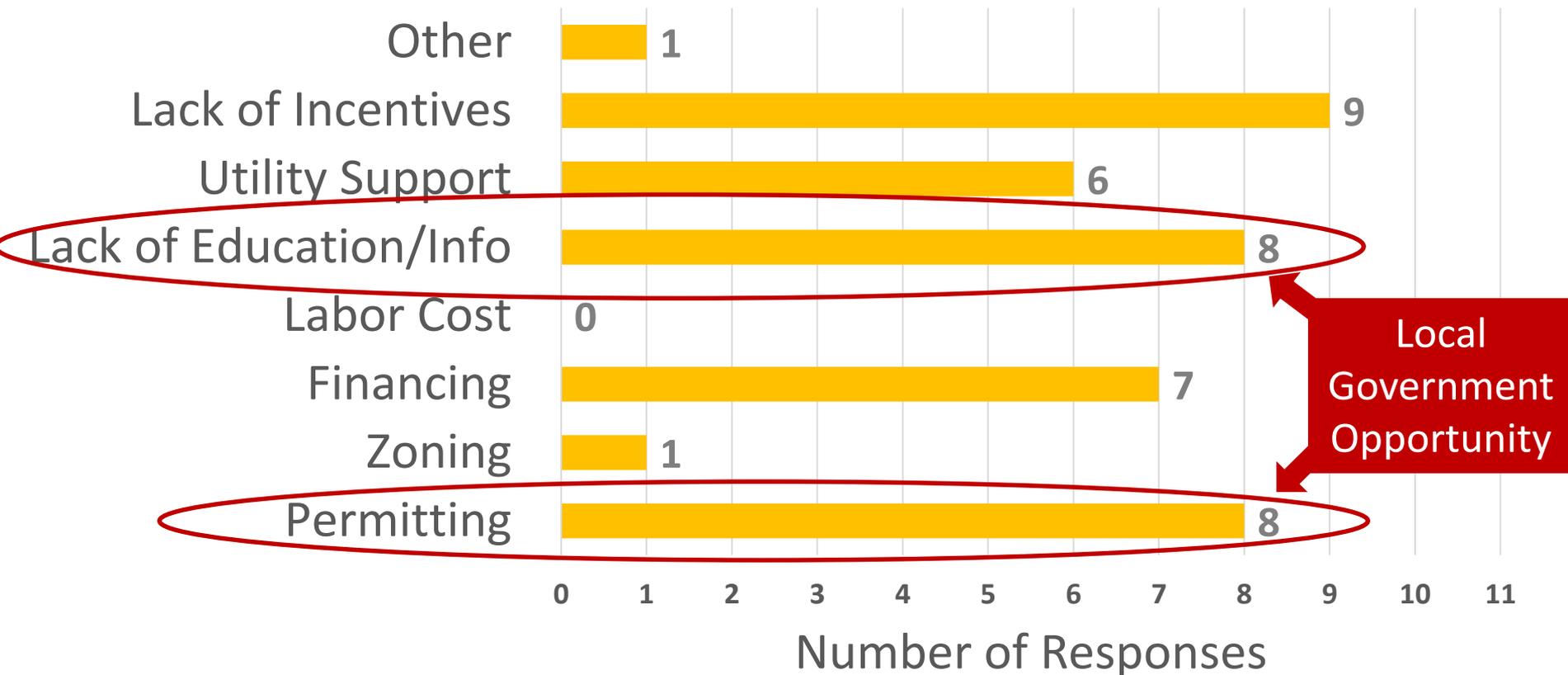
Goals are to implement solar best management practices, training materials and methods, and other proven implementation strategies previously established by MARC's 2012 Solar Ready KC Initiative

Ultimately will result in more streamlined and standardized solar practices, and will achieve measurable improvements in solar market conditions and access for ten million people across the US

Goal: Identify “Soft Cost” Solar Barriers

Survey of Dallas-Fort Worth Area Installers:

Which soft cost areas create the most difficult barriers?



Goal: Engage Local Governments

Local Government Commitment & Participation:

Submit Completed Jurisdiction Questionnaire

Select Top 3 BMP Choices

Sign Letter of Commitment or Adopt Resolution

All Stakeholder Involvement:

Draft/Review Template Documents

Provide Feedback Regarding Needs and Useful Tools

Promote Project and Solar Goals

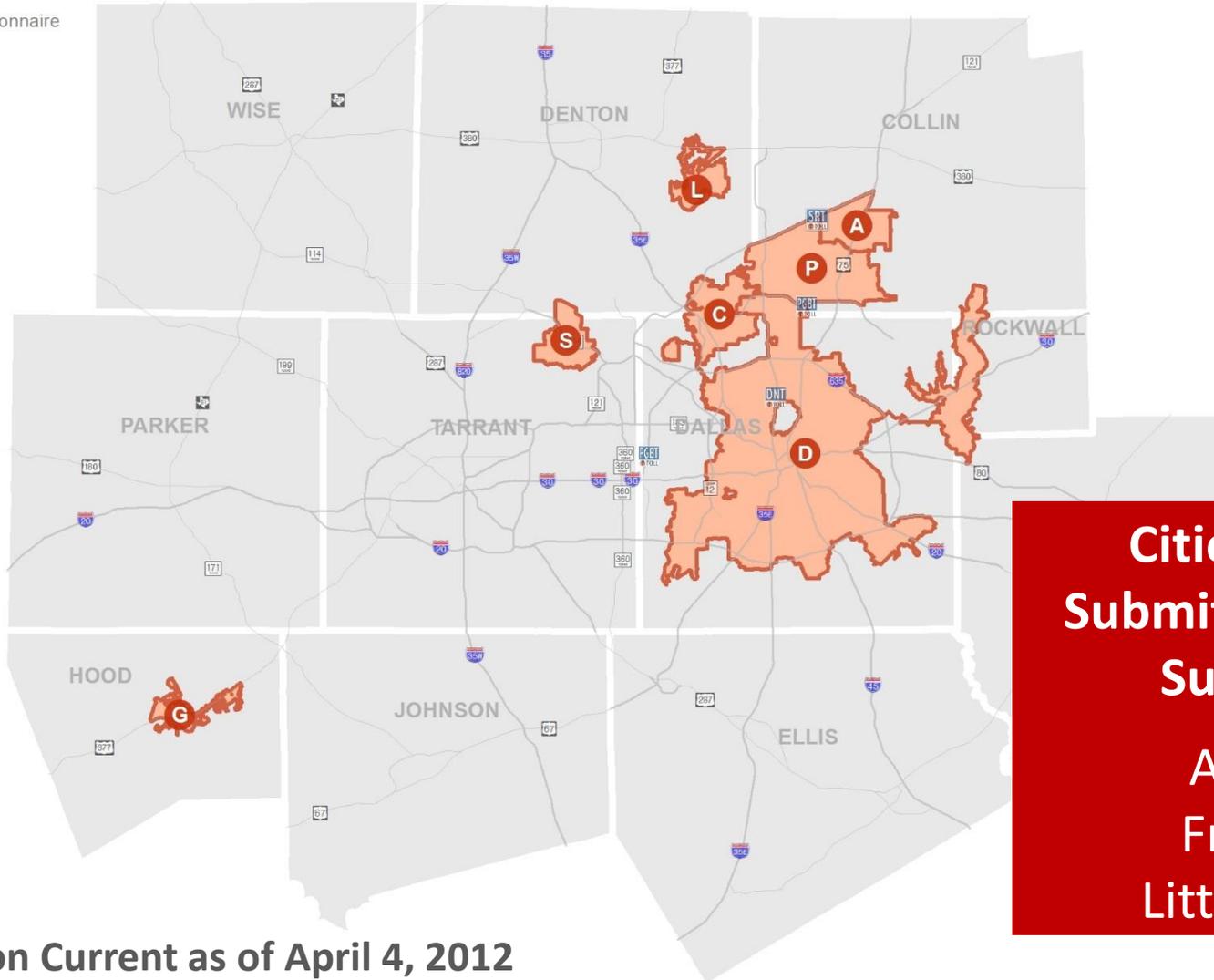
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Cities Who Completed Jurisdiction Questionnaire

Completed Questionnaire

CITY

- A** Allen
- C** Carrollton
- G** Granbury
- L** Little Elm
- D** Dallas
- P** Plano
- S** Southlake



Information Current as of April 4, 2012

For More Information:

Video

Interactive BMP List

Template Documents

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Resource Links

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