
Community Assessment of Renewable Energy and Sustainability (CARES) Venture

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About Me

- Home: Letohatchee, AL
- 3rd yr. doctoral student in Mechanical Engineering
- Research Focus: Sustainability, Product Design, Expert Systems
- Graduation: May 2011

Introduction to CARES

- CARES is an engineering and sustainability assessment organization based at UCB
- Participants include industry, academia, and government reps
- Team members disciplines:
 - Architecture
 - Engineering
 - Business
 - Environmental Design and Planning

Mission of CARES

- Mission: enable consumers and stakeholders to make informed decisions about sustainability and renewable energy technologies



latest data, models and solutions will
sustainable solutions

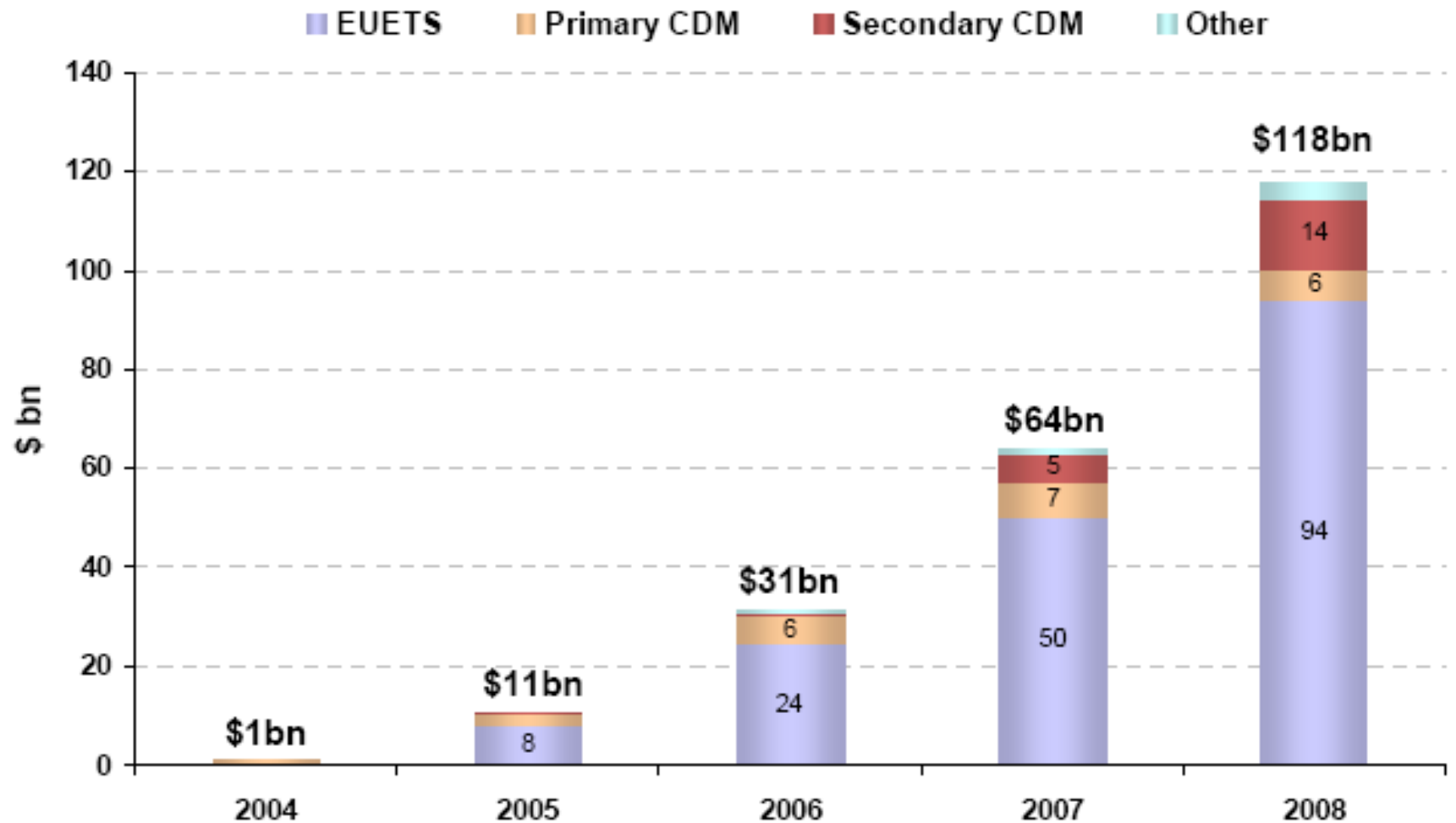
finding, evaluating, and



o-shopping“ portal for
solutions



Carbon market 2005-2008



Source: New Carbon Finance

\$150 bn expected in 2009

Goal of CARES

- Goal: to establish and maintain a reliable, region specific online community in which users can:



Core Features of CARES

1. Sustainability database
2. Region-specific cases studies and suggestions
3. Interoperable sustainability assessment tools
4. Listings of solution vendors and manufacturers
5. Economic, energy, water, and green house gas emissions return on investment data
6. Community of users



Grants and Bootstrapping

- Grants:
 - National Collegiate Inventors and Innovators Alliance
 - Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
 - Pinoleville Pomo Nation of Ukiah, CA
- Projects used to build up knowledge base and reach new markets

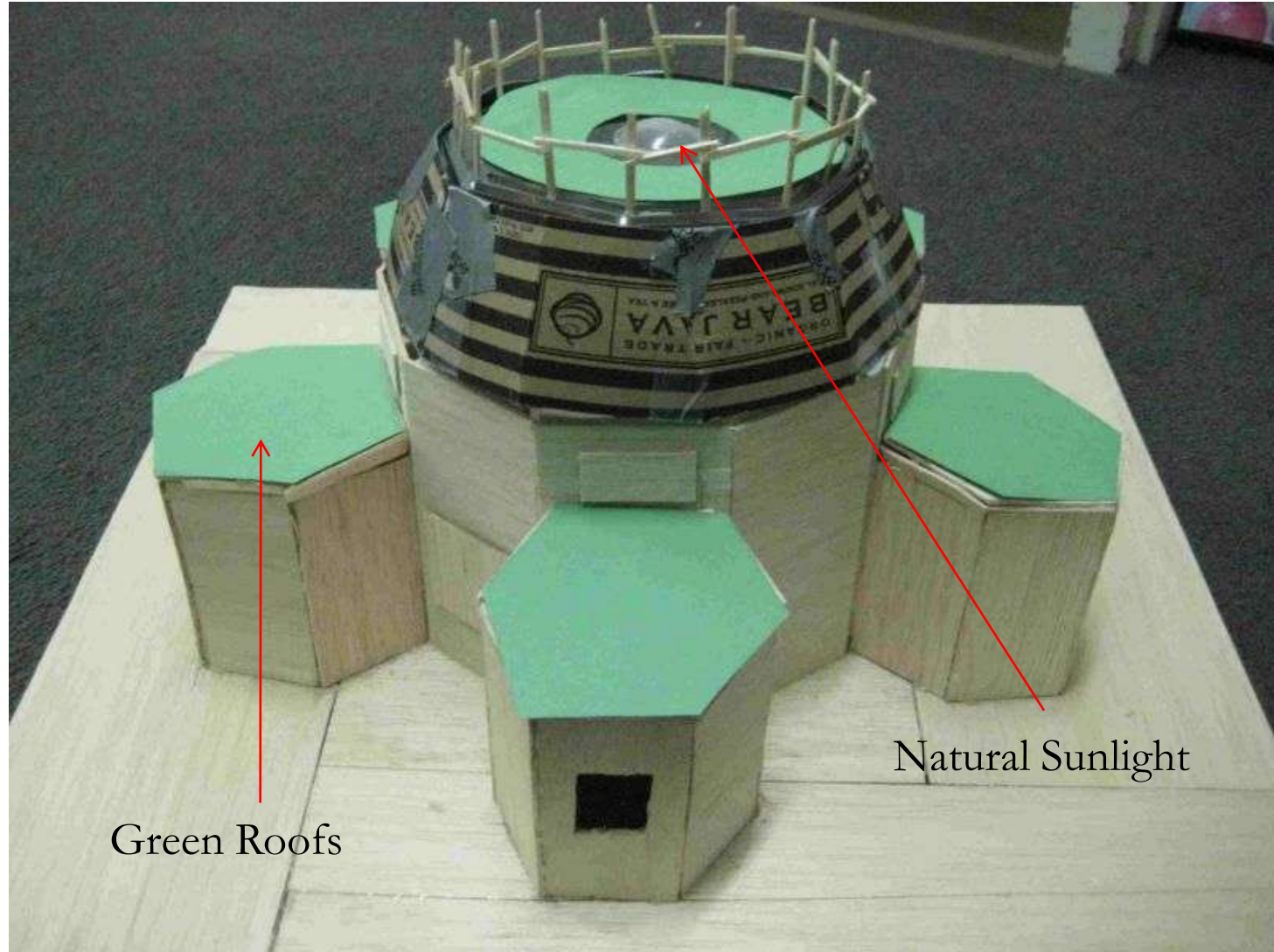
Pinoleville Pomo Nation Case Study

- The Pinoleville Pomo Nation is a Native American tribe located in Ukiah, CA
- Needs: housing, energy efficiency, cultural integration



Pinoleville Pomo Nation Case Study

Initial Yurt Design



Green Roofs

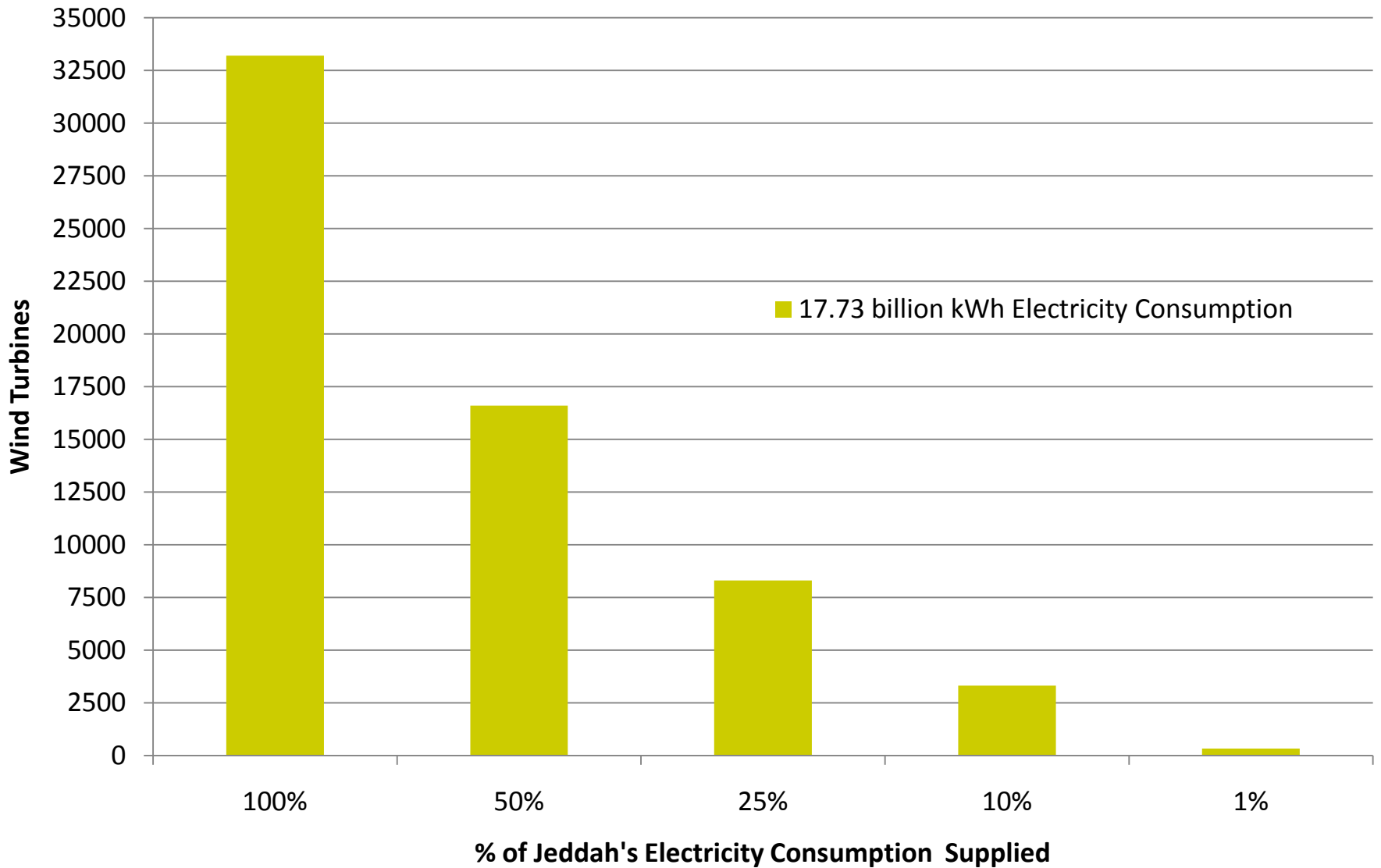
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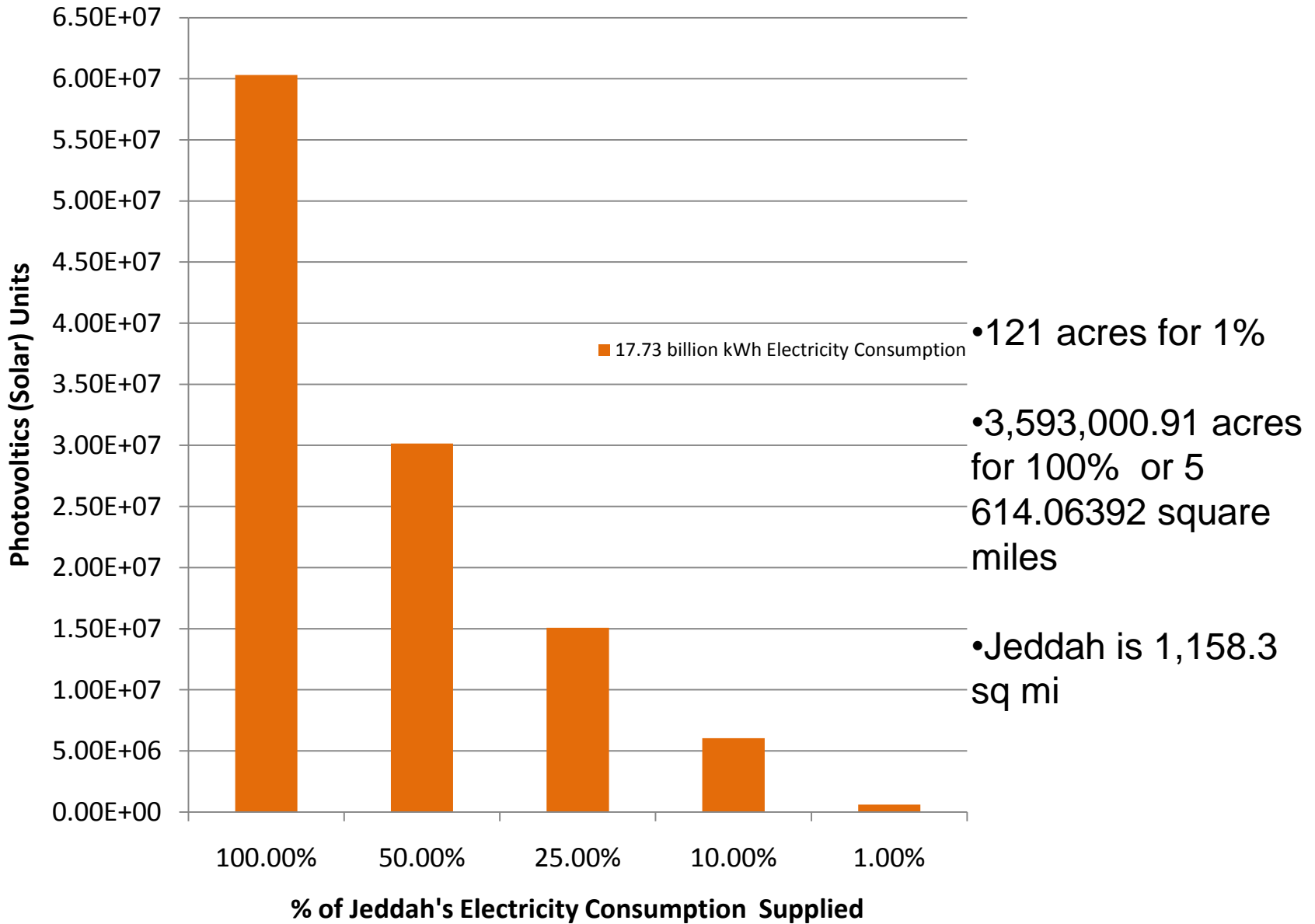
- Goal: Develop sustainable communities in the KSA
- Working with KAUST and Dar Al Hekma
- Focus on electricity and water needs





Wind Turbines to Supply Jeddah's Electricity Consumption



Photovoltaics (Solar) Units to Supply Jeddah's Electricity Consumption



Final Thoughts

- Sustainability has to be personal
- Sustainability has to be viewed as a positive force
- End user is the expert on their needs
- Successful products/projects must have constant user interaction
- Co-designing  Best solutions  Willingness to Adopt

How You Can Get Involved

- Become a member of Advisory Board
- Information from Manufacturing and Service Provider Firms
- Partnership with NGOs
- Help create community of users
- Funding!!!!!! 😊

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Q/A?



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