Through its development of innovative, practical solutions to today’s most pressing environmental issues, the Energy & Environmental Research Center (EERC) is helping the area economy grow. Because of the entrepreneurial, market-driven culture of the EERC, its impact on the regional economy is substantial.

In FY14, the EERC had a total economic impact of more than $83.7 million on the Grand Forks region, with total contract expenses topping $31.7 million. The EERC has fostered the creation of several new businesses in the area that are based on technology and expertise developed at the EERC.

Job Impact
The EERC is also creating environmentally friendly, high-tech jobs.

According to the U.S. Department of Energy, just 16 coal, oil, and natural gas projects worth over $257 million at the EERC provided approximately 7,342 direct and indirect jobs regionwide.

North Dakota provides a quality education, and the EERC is proud to give people a secure place to pursue their dreams. The economic future of this region depends on the types of jobs the EERC is providing.

As one of the area’s largest employers, the EERC gives its region’s professionals a good reason to live and work in a place they call home.

Regional Hometowns of EERC Staff

The EERC supports 235 employees. Employees represent 140 disciplines.

46% of employees are from North Dakota.

24% of employees are from Minnesota.

41% of employees are graduates of UND.

46% of degreed employees are graduates of the North Dakota University System.

ECONOMIC IMPACT
Fueling the Regional and National Economy

The EERC is supporting the regional and national economy in other ways as well, by purchasing equipment, arranging for employees to travel, and building new facilities.

FY14 EERC Expenditures

**Equipment:** $1.8 million

**Travel:** $610,475

**Salaries and Benefits:** $21.7 million

The EERC is not only an attractive place for prospective employees, it’s also a hot spot for visitors. With an average of three different groups a week, the EERC averages more than 1200 visitors a year, including many international and student groups.

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