

Data Mining for USDA REAP Distributed Wind Sales Leads

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Introduction



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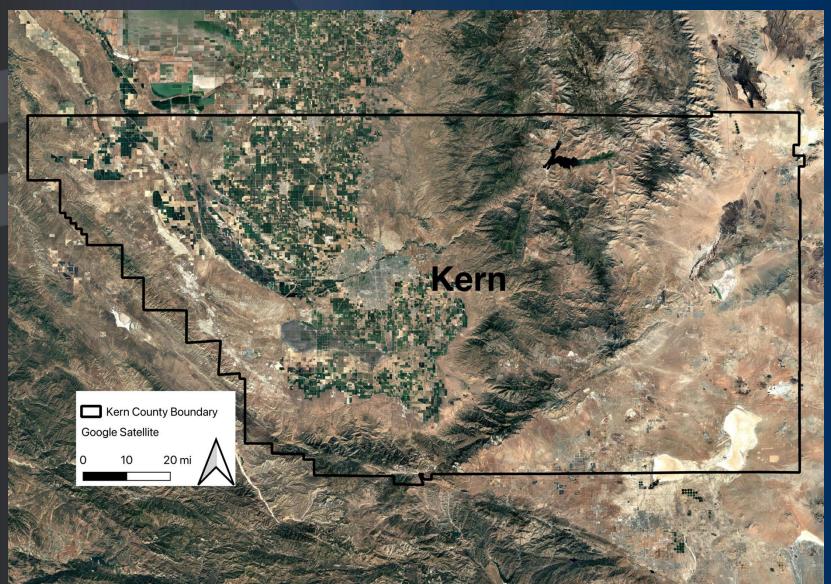
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- Pecos Wind Power
- XFlow Energy

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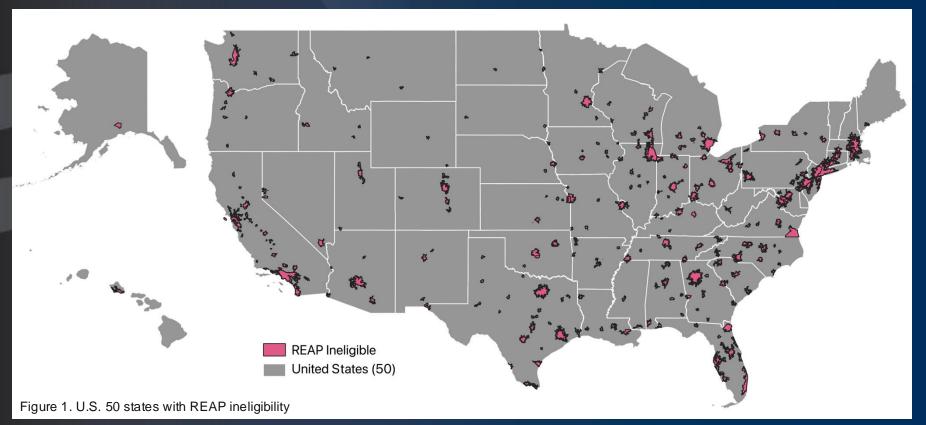


Looking for Wind





Defining REAP Eligibility



Who can apply?

- Agricultural producers (50% of gross income from agricultural operations)
- Small Businesses

What is an eligible area?

- Businesses in areas with populations of 50,000 or fewer
- Ag producers can be rural or non-rural*

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Defining REAP Eligibility (cont.)

Defining a Small Business

SMALL BUSINESS SIZE STANDARDS BY NAICS INDUSTRY								
NAICS codes	NAICS U.S. industry title	Size standards Si title in millions of dollars						
	Sector 11—Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting							
Subsector 111—Crop Production								
111110	Soybean Farming	\$2.25						
111120	Oilseed (except Soybean) Farming	\$2.25						
111130	Dry Pea and Bean Farming	\$2.75						
111140	Wheat Farming	\$2.25						
111150	Corn Farming	\$2.5						
111160	Rice Farming	\$2.5						

Figure 2. SBA Size Standards²

"The concern's tangible net worth is **not in excess of \$15 million** and average net income (excluding carry-over losses) for the preceding two completed fiscal years is not in excess of \$5.0 million; or"

"The size of the concern does not exceed the Small Business Administration (SBA) size standard thresholds designated for the industry in which it is primarily engaged"³

^{2.} https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-13/chapter-l/part-121/subpart-A/subject-group-ECFRf12a11421b08a31/section-121.201



Thoughtful Filtering

Filter down the amount of relevant leads

Determine Project Metrics:

- Geography of project area (if known)
- Specific industries (dairy, water, pork, refrigeration)
- BTM or FOM? Utility Interconnection?
- Minimum parcel size
- Minimum viable wind speed
 - (may need to analyze LCOE, AEP, payback period to find best geography)
- Use public tools and layers to help narrow viable search areas
 - AgWind Feasibility Assessment

 Great for single site analysis with the ability to input loan information and determine wind turbine suitability and payback
 - Wind Watts Great for single site analysis
 - <u>Distributed Wind Explorer</u> Finding BTM or FOM sweet spots
 - State and Local Planning for Energy (SLOPE)
 - Siting Lab
 - Interactive Wind Supply curve map
 - Interactive Wind Ordinances Map
 - Many more



A Targeted Approach

Finding Ag Businesses (be creative!)

Farming:

- Pesticide reports
- Crop insurance records

Ranching:

- Vaccination Reports
- Livestock brand registration
- Auction house & livestock sales records

General Agricultural:

- Water rights registration
- USDA organic certified (<u>USDA Integrity database</u>)
- County or state parcel records
- Land tax and agricultural tax exemptions
- State agricultural licensing databases
- Previous EQIP and REAP grant recipients (<u>USASpending.gov</u>)
- Farm Service Agency <u>farm payment files</u>

Info to look for

- Business name/Address
- NAICS or business codes
- # of employees
- Income

Consider two lists

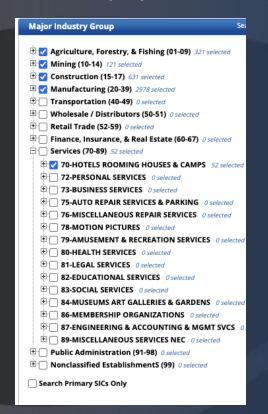
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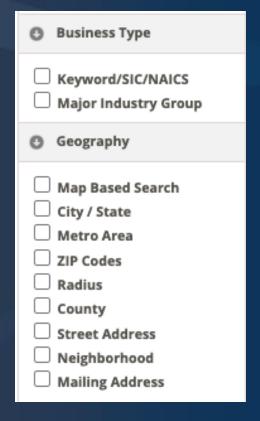


A General Approach

General Filtering with Data Axle

- NAICS codes
- Location? (State, county, zip?)
- Sales Volume (note: REAP is looking at net income & net worth)
- # of Employees





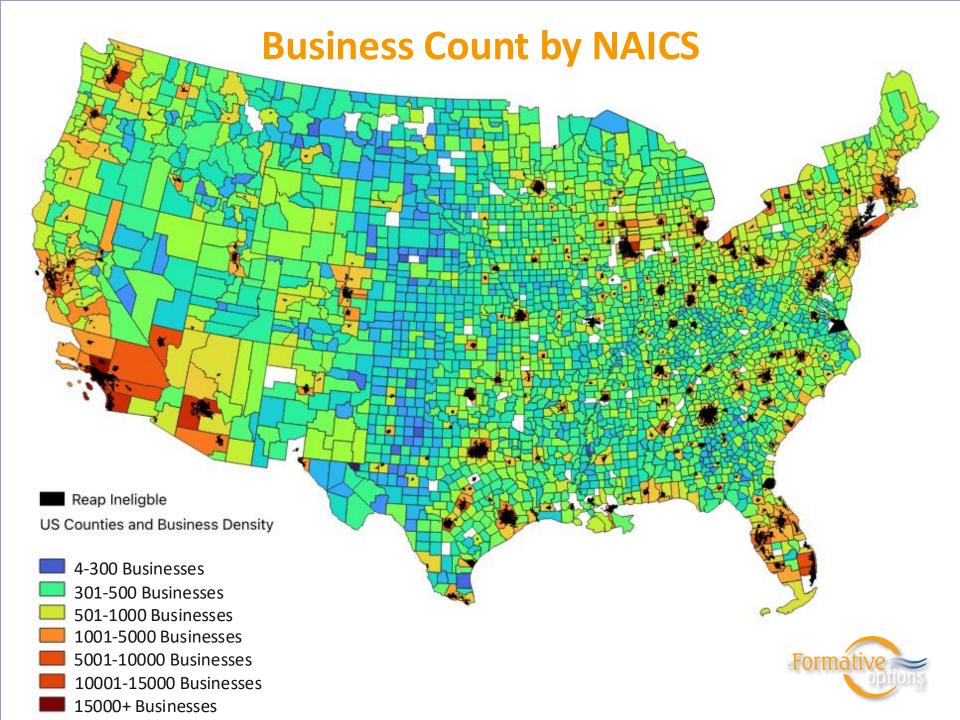
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Known Obstacles and Solutions



Heat map of crop production businesses by NAICS, Source: Data Axle





Mapping Businesses

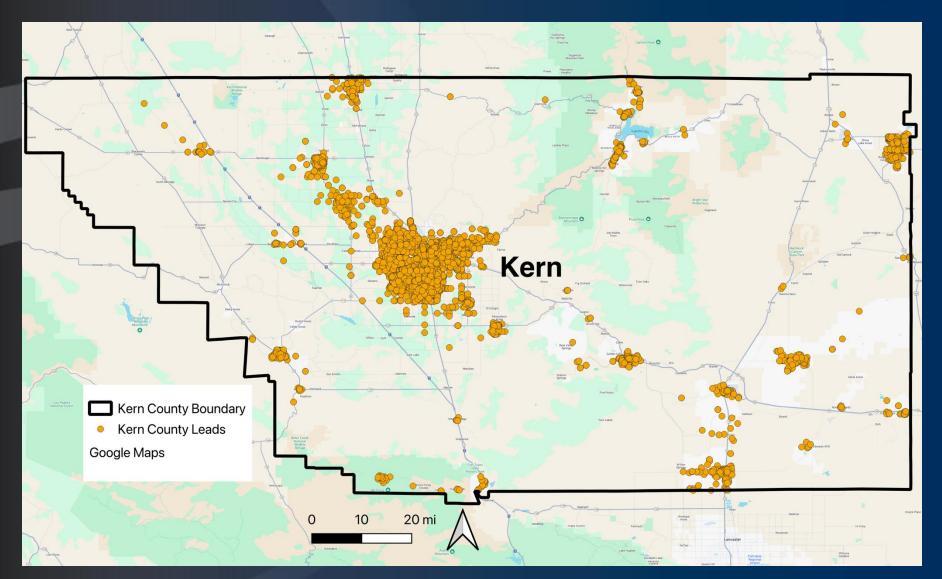
Minimum Parcel Data

- Parcel ID #
- Shape Area
- Shape Length

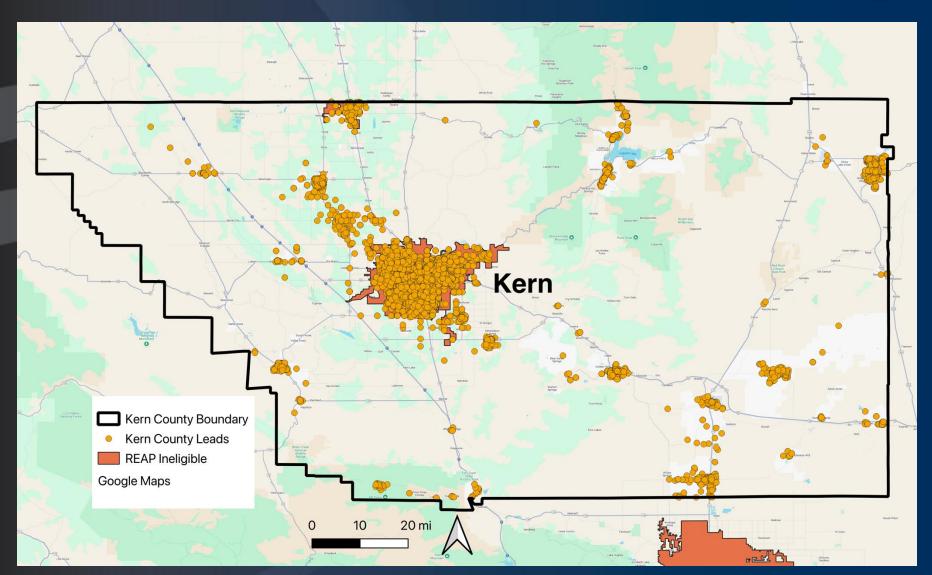
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- Company Name
- Business Owner
- Address
- Phone Number
- # of employees
- Sales volume
- Industry type
- Website

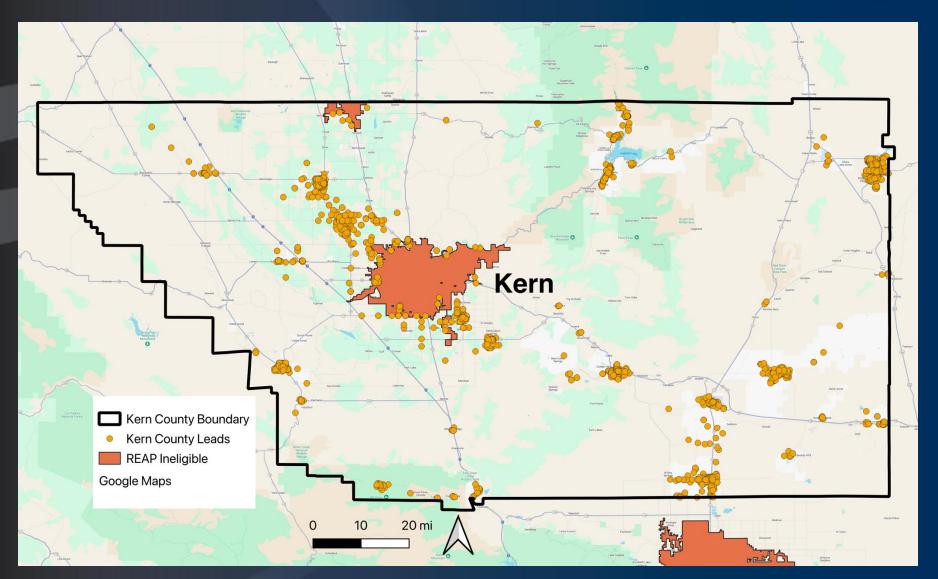




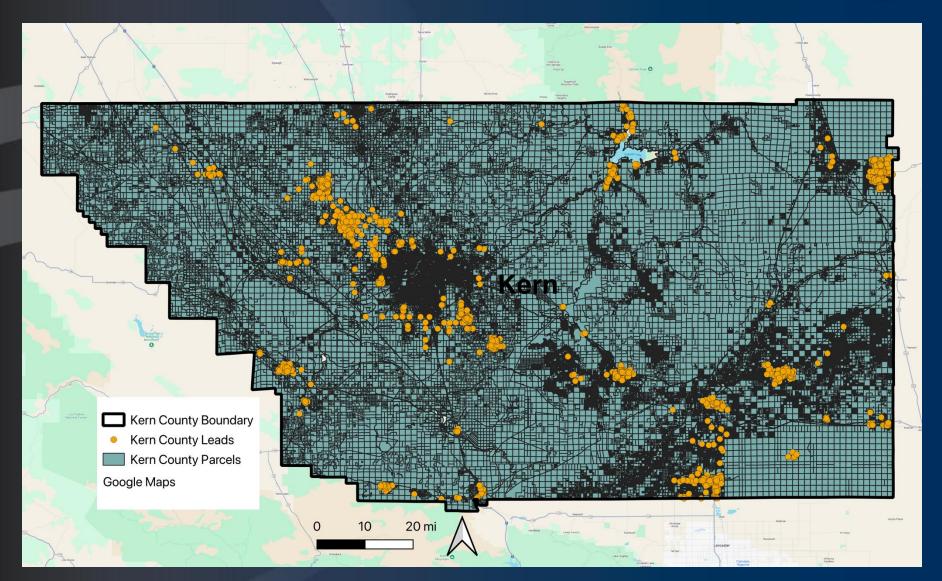




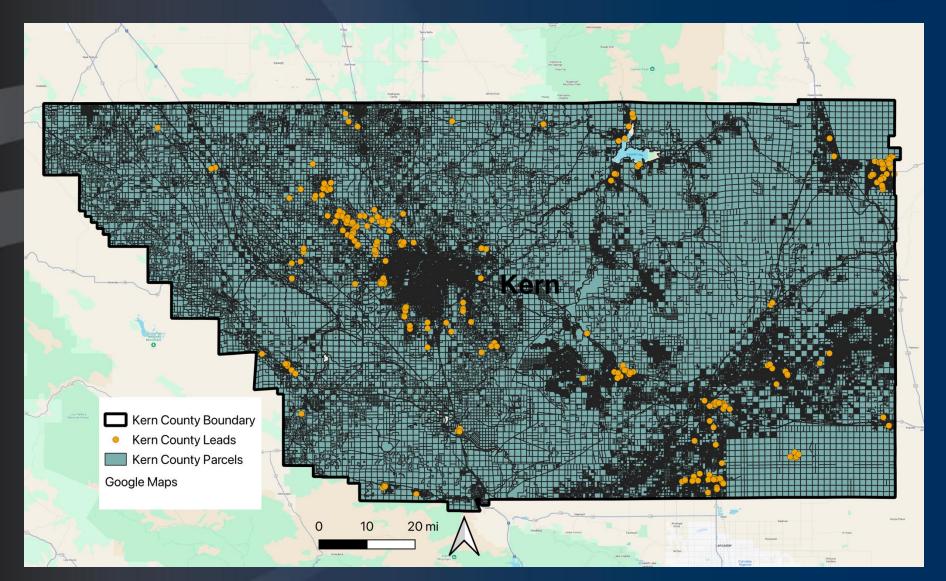




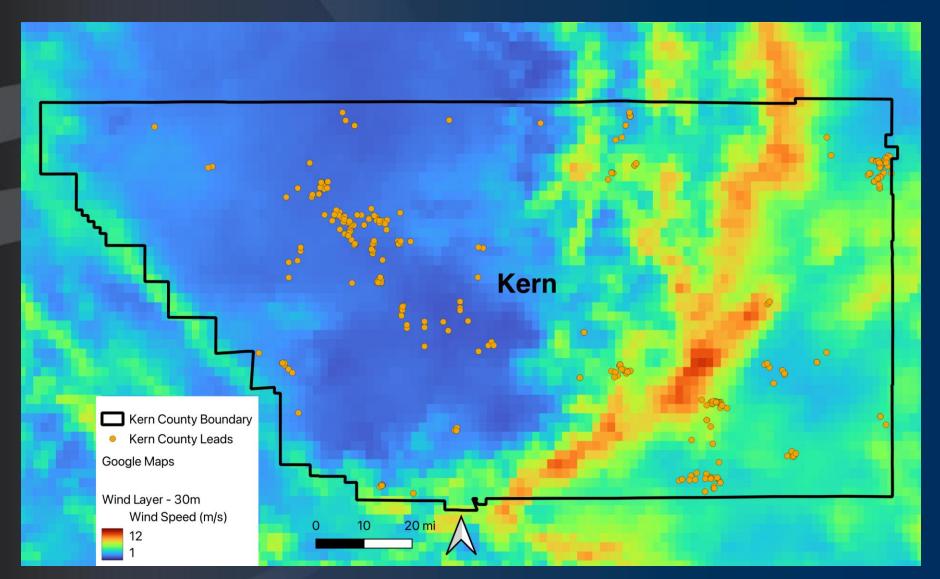














Mapping Businesses

Good Parcel Data (based on property taxes)

- Parcel ID #
- Address
 - City
 - State
 - Zip
- Filing Name
- Acres
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- Deed Holder
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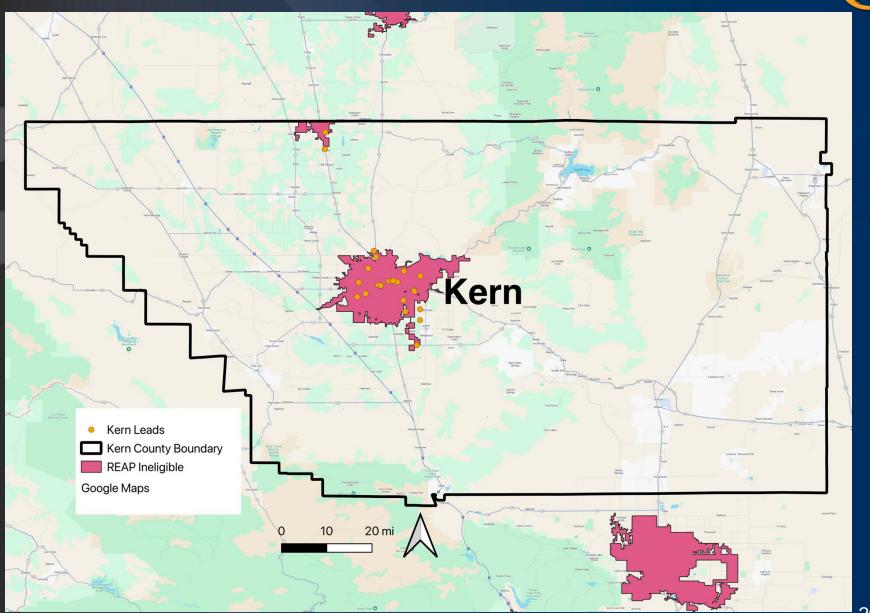
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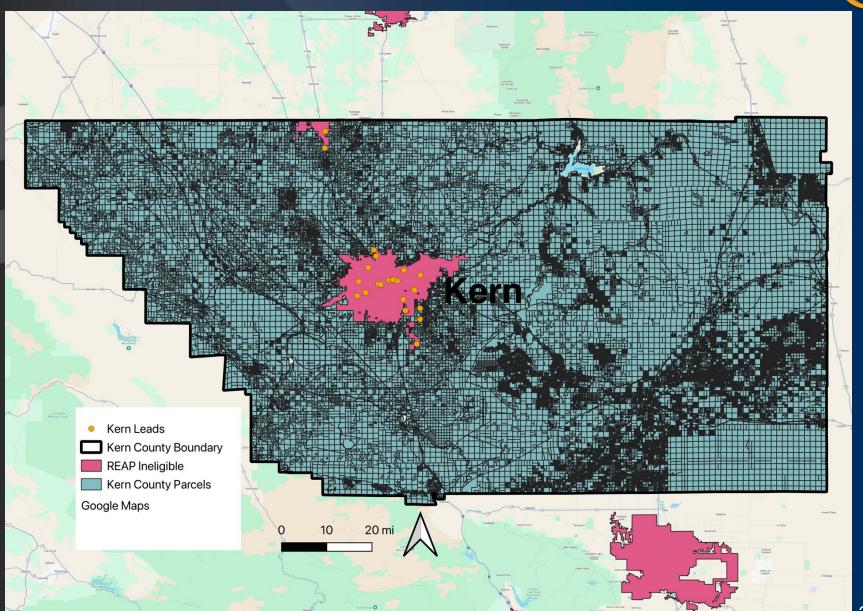
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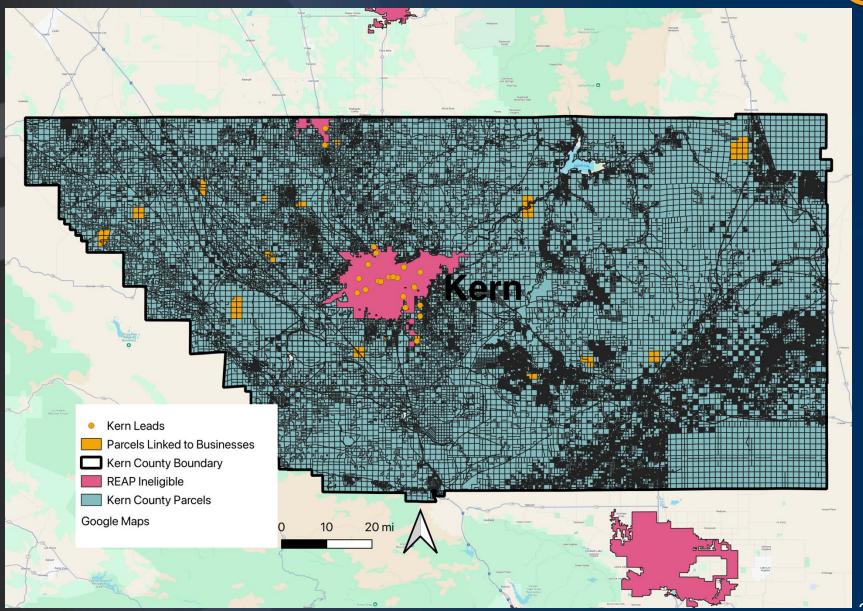
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Finished Outputs



Summarized Spreadsheet Example

Acreage	Wind Mean (m/s)	Wind Min (m/s)	Wind Max (m/s)	Company Na First Name	Surname	Address	City	State
15.2	7.93	7.93	7.93	Stake Mill		2555 Douglas Av€	Mojave	CA
407.28	6.52	6.17	6.58	Golden Queen Mining Co LLC		2818 Silver Quee	Mojave	CA
634.87	6.57	6.33	6.57	Asb Avionics LLC		1032 Sabovich St	Mojave	CA
634.87	5.03	4.91	5.20	Feuling Oil Pump Corp		1620 Sabovich St	Mojave	CA
6.66	6.33	6.33	6.33	Mojave Elks Lodge Trap Range		14866 United St	Mojave	CA
161.3	6.25	5.76	6.33	Stratolaunch		555 Riccomini St	Mojave	CA
29.88	6.26	6.25	6.26	Benz Propane		1401 Goodrick Dı	Tehachapi	CA
22.54	6.23	5.79	6.26	Green Valley Mutual Water		33274 Green Vall	een Valley La	n CA
161.3	6.25	5.76	6.33	SCK Poultry Ranches LP		331 W Citrus St	Colton	CA
561.41	6.57	6.33	6.57	Vander Bloem Ranch LLC		28709 Fresno Av€	Shafter	CA
321.89	7.06	6.82	7.22	Pond Heiger Ranch		11695 Jumper Ave	Wasco	CA

ZIP Code	Phone Numb	County	Location Employee Size Actual	Location Sales Volume Range	Location Sales Volume Actual
93501		Kern	3	Less Than \$500,000	230000
93501		Kern	50	\$5-10 Million	8133000
93501		Kern	2	Less Than \$500,000	242000
93501		Kern	59	\$5-10 Million	5058000
93501		Kern	1	Less Than \$500,000	76000
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93561		Kern	3	Less Than \$500,000	327000
92341		Kern	30	\$1-2.5 Million	2292000
92324		Kern	59	\$5-10 Million	5058000
93263		Kern	26	\$1-2.5 Million	2229000
93280		Kern	9	\$1-2.5 Million	1101000



Applying Additional Layers

Filter by additional layers such as:

- Disadvantaged communities
- Coal plant closures
- Distance to utilities (3 phase, substation, power line)
- Tree canopy
- Wind Ordinances
- Land Use/Type

Professional Resources



Parcel Data

Business Lead Data

Regrid

Leading provider or land parcel data and location intelligence

LightBox

Rich property tax information, covers 99% of USA properties and territories

CoreLogic

Comprehensive parcel data with 250+ attributes

Data Axle

Leading provider or land parcel data and location intelligence

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