

A Feasibility Analysis of Wind Power as an Alternative Post-mining Land Use in Surface Coal
Mines in West Virginia

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Mr. Duerksen,

Thank you for your inquiry. You may use the Appalachian Region map found on our Web site. Please cite the source of the map as "Appalachian Regional Commission".

Thank you,

ARC Staff

From: Alek Duerksen [mailto:duerksen@vt.edu]

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Subject: request to utilize the Appalachian region map in Master's thesis

Dear ARC Staff,

I am currently writing my Master's thesis at Virginia Tech entitled "A Feasibility Study of Wind Power as an Alternative Post-mining Land Use at Surface Coal Mines in West Virginia" and would like to include your map of the Appalachian region (http://www.arc.gov/appalachian_region/MapofAppalachia.asp) in my introduction. Is this figure public domain or would I need your specific permission to use it? Thanks in advance and please let me know if you need any additional information,

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