



Media Advisory

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Event: Learn how your community can turn waste into money!

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HUTCHINSON, MN – Neighbors and community leaders from across West Central Minnesota will meet at Faith Lutheran Church in Hutchinson from 9am-12pm on May 21st to learn how they can save energy, save money, and take action to build stronger, healthier communities. The meeting will begin with a tour of the church facility to see the installation of a ground-source heating and cooling system. Meeting participants will learn about the energy and cost savings expected from this system.

The tour will be followed by a presentation on the GreenStep Cities program. GreenStep Cities offers a cost-effective, simple pathway that can lead to cost savings and make your community healthier, greener, and more energy efficient. This action-oriented voluntary program is based on sustainable best practices. Attendees will learn about the basics of the program and how they can take action in their city.

Following the presentation, there will be a tour of Spruce Ridge Landfill near Biscay to learn how Waste Management is generating electricity from methane, to turning waste into a renewable fuel.

This event is free and open to the public. Register online at <http://wccert052110.eventbrite.com>

AGENDA:

- 9:00am – Tour of Faith Lutheran Church's geothermal system
- 9:45am – Presentation on GreenStep Cities: Taking Action with Proven Best Practices
- 10:45am – Depart for Spruce Ridge Landfill
- 11:00am – Tour of Spruce Ridge Landfill: Generating Electricity from Methane
- 12:00pm – Adjourn

THE BASICS:

- **Who:** Community members and community leaders from West Central Minnesota
- **What:** West Central CERT Meeting – an opportunity to learn about community leadership on clean energy and green jobs, working together to build our clean energy future.
- **Where:** Faith Lutheran Church, 335 Main St. S, Hutchinson
- **When:** May 21st, 2010 from 9:00am-12:00pm

ABOUT CERTs: The Clean Energy Resource Teams connect Minnesotans with resources to identify and implement energy efficiency and renewable energy projects.

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