

# Arrowhead Center EPIC 2: Pivot from Scalable Energy Testbed (SET) to Energy Testbed Access Pathways (ETAP)

Arrowhead Center (Arrowhead) is New Mexico State University's (NMSU; a Hispanic-serving institution) technology transfer office, innovation/entrepreneurship center and economic development engine. Arrowhead's initial **Design It!** MVP proposed to validate the feasibility of creating a Scalable Energy Testbed (SET) to benefit cleantech entrepreneurs. The project would allow startups to validate their energy technologies' abilities in real-world conditions, resulting in data for investors, partners and customers. However, after deeper conversations with existing testbeds and the challenges faced by innovators in accessing them, the SET project shifted focus from establishing a **new** SET to helping innovators access and leverage existing testbed facilities and working with those testbeds to fill gaps in needed capabilities.

## Move It! Phase



## EPIC “Move It!” Prize Goal

The updated Minimum Viable Program (MVP) – Energy Testbed Access Pathways (ETAP) – will maximize access to available resources, eliminate redundancies and support energy technology advancements.

ETAP focuses on developing **access points** to existing testbeds with Arrowhead working closely with innovators and startups to identify appropriate testbed facilities and/or identify capabilities current testbeds do not offer. Arrowhead will work with testbeds to add capabilities not currently offered. The overarching goal of SET remains in the pivot as Arrowhead works to help startup maturation and application of new energy technologies.