



Advancing Towards 100% Clean Energy

A State-Federal Summit

Preliminary Agenda

DAY ONE - May 17, 2023

Kellogg Conference Hotel

At Gallaudet University

800 Florida Ave NE, Washington, DC 20002

The first day of the Summit is open to state and federal officials at no cost. Other stakeholders can attend with a \$190 registration fee to cover food and other participant costs.

9:00 AM - Welcome and Setting the Stage

- Welcoming remarks by the US Department of Energy
- Review of agenda by the Clean Energy States Alliance (CESA)
- Summary of pre-Summit webinar with state energy leaders.

(NOTE: On April 26, 2023 from 3-4 PM ET, there will be a pre-Summit webinar featuring a roundtable discussion with several state leaders [Bryan Garcia (President, Connecticut Green Bank), David Hochschild (Chair, California Energy Commission), Louise Martinez (Director, Energy Conservation Management Division, New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department), and Zach Pierce (Senior Advisor for Climate Change Policy, Office of North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper)], discussing where they think their states are making the most progress, what the most significant challenges are, and what the opportunities are for close state-federal cooperation. During this first session at the Summit, we will review the key messages and ideas from that webinar.)

9:30 AM - Clean Energy Market Trends

This session will look at the energy market from several perspectives—overall clean energy market trends, the role of state clean energy standards, voluntary green power markets in the electricity market, and the impact of the Inflation Reduction Act.

Moderator:

- Robert Margolis, Senior Energy Analyst, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Presenters:

- Galen Barbose, Research Scientist, Electricity Markets and Policy Department, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
- Jenny Sumner, Modeling and Analysis Group Manager, National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- Ethan Zindler, Head of Americas, BloombergNEF

10:45 AM - BREAK

11:00 AM - Decarbonization Progress and Challenges

Attendees will meet in groups of ~15 to exchange their varied perspectives on where states and the nation stand on the road to decarbonization. They will also discuss the challenges that need to be addressed in the coming few years. Among the questions to consider:

- In which areas are the states making progress?
- How are the states making progress?
- What are the main barriers to states making faster progress?
- What additional assistance would the states like from the federal government?
- What would federal or industry attendees at the Summit like to see the states do that they aren't already doing?

The small groups will discuss this topic for 45 minutes and then report back to see how similar or different the perspectives of the different groups are.

12:15 PM - Lunch with Keynote

Keynote: Advancing towards 100% Clean Energy—the View from Washington

1:45 PM - The Cost of the Clean Energy Transition for LMI Households

It is important that decarbonization not increase the energy burden for low- and moderate-income (LMI) ratepayers with limited ability to pay higher electricity bills. This session will look at strategies for maintaining electricity affordability for those and other customers.

2:45 PM - BREAK

3:00 - Regional Breakout Sessions

Participants will divide into groups by region to discuss ways in which they can cooperate to advance clean energy in their region and to identify ways DOE and the national labs can help with technical assistance.

4:00 PM - BREAK

4:15 pm - Energy Justice and 100% Clean Energy

A panel discussion among federal and state officials working actively to advance energy equity and environmental justice, especially in conjunction with 100% clean energy initiatives. After initial discussion among the panelists, there will be ample opportunity for questions and comments from Summit attendees.

Moderator:

- Anna Ziai, Project Director for State Implementation of Federal Climate Legislation, Clean Energy States Alliance

Panelists:

- Catherine Clark, Energy Justice Liaison, Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations, US Department of Energy
- Edward Hsieh, Senior Program Manager, Massachusetts Clean Energy Center
- Maria Redmond, Director, Wisconsin Office of Sustainability and Clean Energy
- Austin Scharff, Energy Policy Specialist, Washington State Department of Commerce

5:30 pm - 7:00 PM - Networking Reception (cash bar)

DAY TWO - Thursday, May 18, 2023

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At Gallaudet University

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This day is restricted to state and federal government employees.

9:00 AM - Networking and Debriefing Activity

This will be an opportunity for attendees to get to know their fellow Summit attendees and to debrief from the first day of the Summit by identifying the key findings and nuggets of information from the first day.

10:15 AM - Inflation Reduction Act Initiatives: Part A

Federal officials will give brief summaries of the status of several key federal IRA initiatives. The initiatives discussed may include some of the following:

- Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program
- Grants to Facilitate the Siting of Interstate Electricity Transmission Lines
- Home Energy Rebate Program
- Tax Credit Bonuses for facilities located in energy communities, in low-income communities, and on Tribal lands

10:45 AM - BREAK

11:00 AM - Inflation Reduction Act Initiatives: Part B

Attendees will choose from among four discussion groups, each of which will focus on a different federal initiative featured in Part A. The state participants will discuss how they are thinking about implementing that initiative in their state, what issues have come up or could come up related to implementation, and what questions they have for federal officials.

- After 30 minutes, participants will switch to a second discussion group so that everyone gets to participate in two groups over the course of the hour.

12:00 PM

Lunch

1:00 PM - Breakout Sessions (attendees will choose one of the following)

Session A: Energy Storage Policy for Decarbonization

Panelists from Sandia National Laboratories and CESA will focus on state energy storage policies that can support decarbonization of the electricity sector and complement federal energy storage initiatives in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and IRA.

Panelists:

- Will McNamara, Grid Energy Storage Policy Analyst, Sandia National Laboratories
- Todd Olinsky-Paul, Senior Project Director, Clean Energy States Alliance

Session B: Communicating the Decarbonization Story

Communication specialists will discuss strategies for educating the public on federal and state efforts to decarbonize. The session will include information on communicating with consumers about tax credits and other federal incentives.

Panelists:

- Tinselyn Simms, Co-Executive Director, We Make the Future
- Courtney St. John, Senior Director, Science and Energy, Climate Nexus

2:15 PM - BREAK

2:30 PM - Implications of Recent Federal Legislation for State Clean Electricity Standards

Presentations by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory and Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory with findings from new analysis about the implications of the Inflation Reduction Act and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law for state clean electricity standards.

Presenters:

- Galen Barbose, Research Scientist, Electricity Markets and Policy Department, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
- Jenny Sumner, Modeling and Analysis Group Manager, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

3:45 PM - Where Do We Go from Here?

Closing comments from DOE, the national labs, CESA, and attendees

4:15 PM

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