



Agenda

Repowering the Western Economy

Tuesday, December 4

Grand Hyatt, 1750 Welton Street

Denver, Colorado

Crystal Peak Room, 38th Floor

8:00 Coffee and Breakfast (*available starting at 7:30 am*)

8:30 Xcel's Colorado Energy Plan

Xcel's recently approved Colorado Energy Plan includes coal unit retirements and significant new wind and solar capacity. The plan has a number of innovative features that will be of interest to state officials, utility representatives, and clean energy advocates from other Western states, including the cost recovery mechanism for early coal unit retirements and the approach to local economic development. With implementation of the plan, Xcel will achieve nearly 55 percent renewable energy by 2026, and reduce carbon emissions by about 60 percent from 2005 levels.

- Jack Ihle, Director, Regulatory Strategy, Xcel Energy
- Jeff Ackermann, Chairman, Colorado Public Utilities Commission

Resources: [Xcel Energy's Colorado Energy Plan – Information Sheet](#), [Colorado PUC Decision Approving the Colorado Energy Plan \(CEP\) Portfolio](#)

9:15 California / Western Electricity Markets

- California's 100% Clean Energy Std: What it means for California & the West
- Michael Murza, Law & Policy Advisor to Chair Weisenmiller, CA Energy Comm.
- Matt Coldwell, Advisor to Commissioner Scott, California Energy Commission

Resource: [Senate Bill 100](#)

- Update on Western Electricity Markets
- Peter Colussy, Manager, Regional Affairs, California ISO
- Carl Zichella, Senior Policy Analyst, NRDC

10:00 Arizona - Energy plans and policies following defeat of the 50% RPS ballot measure

- Chad Guzman, Government Affairs Representative, APS
- Amanda Ormond, Director, Western Grid Group

Resources: [Arizona's Energy Modernization Plan](#), [Whitepaper: Evolving the RPS](#)

10:30 Break

11:00 Montana Renewable Development Action Plan

- Brian DeKiep, Montana Energy Analyst, Northwest Power & Conservation Council

Resource: [Montana Renewables Development Action Plan](#)

11:20 Oregon - State Climate Policy and 2019 Legislative Plans

- Kristen Sheeran, Director, Governor's Carbon Policy Office
- Sunny Radcliffe, Director, Government Affairs, Portland General Electric
- Pooja Kishore, Renewable and Environmental Policy Specialist, PacifiCorp

Resource: [The Oregon Climate Agenda](#)

12:00 Lunch (provided)

1:00 Nevada – State energy policy following passage of 50% RPS and defeat of Energy Choice Initiative

- Angie Dykema, Director, Governor's Office of Energy
- Jessica Scott, Interior West Director, Vote Solar

1:30 New Mexico - current issues in energy policy and regulations, including additional coal unit retirements and the 2019 legislative session

- Pat O'Connell, Director, Planning and Resources, PNM
- Cydney Beadles, Director, Legal Division, NM PRC
- Noah Long, Senior Attorney, NRDC

2:00 Break

2:30 Washington - Energy and Environmental Priorities 2019-2020

- Bill Drumheller, Climate and Energy Specialist, WA Dept. of Ecology

Resource: [Initiative 1631](#)

3:00 Colorado

- LEV & ZEV Rulemakings
- Martha Rudolph, Director, Environmental Programs, CDPHE

Resource: [LEV Executive Order B-2018-006](#)

- Energy and Environmental Priorities of Governor-Elect Jared Polis
- (Representative invited)

4:00 Adjourn