

JULY 2021 AGENDA

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The Mountain Thunder Lodge, Breckenridge CO

OBJECTIVES DAY 1-2: After reviewing the Academy agenda, legislators will establish goals, set expectations, and gain perspective from CNEE faculty, and each other, on today's national energy landscape, technology and market changes, and policy trends and opportunities.

OBJECTIVES DAY 2-3: Prior to the Academy, each legislator identified two policy areas of interest. For each area, legislators will work with CNEE staff and expert faculty to identify policy gaps and opportunities unique to their state. Breakouts sessions will provide a deep dive into the innovations, challenges, and opportunities within each area of focus. Faculty and CNEE staff will provide tools to legislators that help them discuss and think about legislative solutions in their selected areas of focus.

DAY 1 – TUESDAY, JULY 13

12:00pm **CNEE Staff/Faculty Arrive** at Mountain Thunder Lodge or River Mountain Lodge
– check-in, lunch on your own

3:00pm-5:00pm **Registration and Check-In (Lobby)**
CNEE staff members will be at registration to welcome participants and provide Academy materials. **Note: Room check-in may not be available until 4pm.*

3:30pm-4:45pm **Optional Energy Policy 101** with CNEE staff and faculty ([Quandary Peak Room](#))
Legislators wanting a background on energy policy issues and trends should note that they would like to attend this briefing and plan on arriving early.

6:00pm **Opening Reception** ([The Library, next to lobby](#))

7:00pm **Dinner** ([Quandary Peak Room/Father Dyer Peak Room](#))
Welcome and Presentation by Governor Bill Ritter, Jr.

- Legislator/Faculty/Staff introductions
- Overview of the Academy
- Logistics for Day 2

DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

7:30am to 8:45am Breakfast Buffet ([Quandary Peak/Patio](#))

9:00am to 11:00am **Energy Policy Overview** ([Quandary Peak Room/Father Dyer Peak Room](#))
led by CNEE staff: Suzanne Tegen, Tom Plant, and Patrick Cummins

- Energy landscape and national trends in energy policy
- Economic development from clean energy generation
- Air pollution emissions trends and pollution control programs to address air quality and climate change
- Legislative activity in the past year

11:00am to 11:15am *Break*

11:15am to 12:00pm **Legislators Have the Floor** ([Quandary Peak Room/Father Dyer Peak Room](#))

- Participants share their experience, current context, challenges, and opportunities of introducing energy-related legislation in their home state

12:00pm to 1:45pm Lunch Buffet ([Quandary Peak Room/Father Dyer Peak Room](#))

Developing Bipartisan Clean Energy Policy Solutions

Keynote Discussion moderated by **Governor Bill Ritter**

- **Larry Ward**, Conservative Energy Network
- **Mark Fleming**, Conservatives for Clean Energy

2:00pm to 4:00pm

Policy Breakout 1

Grid Modernization
Jeff Ackermann
Janine Migden-Ostrander

([Red Mountain Room](#))

Energy Storage
Julian Boggs
Karl Rábago

([North Star Mountain Room](#))

Mainstreaming
Renewables
Liz Doris
Kirsten Verclas

([Father Dyer Peak Room](#))

Electrifying Transportation
and Infrastructure
Chris Nelder
Ben Prochazka

([The Boardroom](#))

4:00pm

*Adjourn – Free time to enjoy Breckenridge
Group Hike or other activities (optional)
Dinner – on your own*

7:30pm **Evening Salon - Market-Based Strategies to Accelerate Clean Energy**
([Quandary Peak Room/Father Dyer Peak Room](#))

- Informal moderated discussion with **Patrick Cummins**, Senior Policy Advisor, CNEE

DAY 3 – THURSDAY, JULY 15

7:30am to 9:00am Breakfast Buffet ([Quandary Peak Room/Patio](#)) Will end at 9

9:00am to 10:00am Morning Keynote ([Quandary Peak Room/Father Dyer Peak Room](#))

Securing our Energy Future

- Vice Admiral Dennis V. McGinn, United States Navy (retired)

10:00am to 10:15am *Break*

10:15am to 12:15pm

Policy Breakout 2

Grid Modernization
([Red Mountain Room](#))

Energy Storage
([North Star Mountain Room](#))

Mainstreaming
Renewables
([Father Dyer Peak Room](#))

Electrifying Transportation
and Infrastructure
([The Boardroom](#))

12:15pm to 2:00pm Lunch Buffet ([Quandary Peak Room/Father Dyer Peak Room](#))

Financial Markets Response to Climate Risk

- **Leonard Jones**, Moody's Public Finance Group

2:00pm to 2:30pm

Regional Policy Breakouts

2:30pm to 4:30pm

Expert Assistance; Offshore Wind and Community Solar Small Groups ([Quandary Peak Room](#))

Focused discussions of specific policy areas of legislative interest as proposed by participating legislators.

Faculty Open Office Hours (*see topics in packet*)

- Learning sessions with faculty and staff about specific interests and topic areas; additional experts Jeff Cramer, Community Solar, and Walt Musial, Offshore Wind
- Please sign-up for 1-on-1 slot with faculty

CNEE 1-on-1 Check-In (*see scheduled time and CNEE staff member in packet*)

10-20 minute one-on-one check-in with CNEE staff

- Identify state-specific tools and resources
- Hands-on demonstration of CNEE online databases

Provide CELA testimonials (*optional*)

4:30pm

Adjourn – Free time in Breckenridge

6:30pm to 8:00pm

Dinner with Presentation and Conversation ([Quandary Peak Room](#))
Opportunities in Energy Efficiency with Rachel Gold, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy

DAY 4 – FRIDAY, JULY 16

7:30am to 8:45am Breakfast Buffet ([Quandary Peak Room/Patio](#))

8:45am to 10:00am **Federal Policy Opportunities for a Clean Energy Economy**

- Sonia Aggarwal, White House Council on Environmental Quality (Virtual)

10:00am to 10:45am **The Path Forward** ([Quandary Peak Room/Father Dyer Peak Room](#))

- Facilitated by Governor Bill Ritter and Tom Plant

11:00am *Adjourn* – transportation to **Denver International Airport**

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Thank You!

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