

JULY 2021 AGENDA



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. Breakout 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

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| 11:00am | 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. <i>*Note: Room check-in may not be available until 4pm.</i> |
| 3:30pm-4:45pm | Optional Energy Policy 101 with CNEE staff (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 the lobby) |
| 7:00pm-8:45pm | Dinner (Quandary Peak Room) Welcome and Presentation by Governor Bill Ritter, Jr. <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Legislator/Faculty/Staff introductions▪ Overview of the Academy▪ Logistics for Day 2 |

DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

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

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

(10:00am Break)

- 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-11:15am *Break*

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

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

Prior to lunch break, meet on back patio steps for CELA group photo

12:00pm-1:45pm Lunch Buffet ([Quandary Peak Room](#))

Developing Bipartisan Clean Energy Policy Solutions

Keynote Discussion moderated by **Governor Bill Ritter, Jr.**

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

2:00pm-4:00pm
 (3:00-3:15 pm –Break)

Policy Breakout 1

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| Grid Modernization Jeff Ackermann Janine Migden-Ostrander (Red Mountain Room) | Energy Storage Julian Boggs Karl Rábago (North Star Mountain Room) | Mainstreaming Renewables Kirsten Verclas (Quandry Peak Room) | Electrifying Transportation and Infrastructure Chris Nelder Ben Prochazka (The Boardroom) |
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4:00pm *Adjourn – Free time to enjoy Breckenridge
 Dinner – on your own*

Remember to sign up for your Faculty 1 on 1 for Thursday afternoon

7:00pm **Evening Salon - Market-Based Strategies to Accelerate Clean Energy**
 ([Quandary Peak Room](#))

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

DAY 3 – THURSDAY, JULY 15

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

9:00am-10:00am Morning Keynote ([Quandary Peak Room/Father Dyer Peak Room](#))
Distributed Energy Resources and Community Solar
 ▪ **Jeff Cramer**, Executive Director – Coalition for Community Solar Access

10:00am-10:15am Break – (Remember to sign up for your Faculty 1 on 1 for the afternoon)

10:15am-12:15pm
 (11:15-11:30am - Break)

Policy Breakout 2

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| Grid Modernization (Red Mountain Room) | Energy Storage (North Star Mountain Room) | Mainstreaming Renewables (Quandary Peak Room) | Electrifying Transportation and Infrastructure (The Boardroom) |
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12:15pm-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-2:30pm **Regional Policy Breakouts**

2:30pm-4:30pm **Expert Assistance and Offshore Wind Small Group** ([Quandary Peak Room](#))
 Focused discussions of specific policy areas of legislative interest as proposed by participating legislators.

2:30pm-3:30pm **Offshore Wind** with Walt Musial, Principal Engineer and Manager, Offshore Wind at National Renewable Energy Lab

2:30pm-4:30pm **Faculty Open Office Hours** (see topics in packet)
 ▪ Learning sessions with faculty and staff about specific interests and topic areas
 ▪ Please sign-up for 1-on-1 slot with faculty

2:40pm-4:30pm **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-8:00pm Dinner with Presentation and Conversation ([Quandary Peak Room](#))
Opportunities in Energy Efficiency
 ▪ **Rachel Gold**, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy

DAY 4 – FRIDAY, JULY 16

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

8:45am-10:00am

Federal Policy Opportunities for a Clean Energy Economy

- **Sonia Aggarwal**, Senior Climate Advisor, White House Office of Domestic Climate Policy Office (Virtual)

Environmental Justice and the Energy Transition

- **Governor Bill Ritter, Jr.**, Director, Center for the New Energy Economy
- **Suzanne Tegen**, Assistant Director, Center for the New Energy Economy

10:00am-10:45am

The Path Forward ([Quandary 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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