

NW Energy Coalition
Fall 2015 NW Clean & Affordable Energy Conference
Conference Center at the Washington State Convention Center
(Across the street from the main convention center)
801 Pike St., Seattle, WA 98101

AGENDA

THURSDAY, DEC. 3

7:30-8:15 a.m. **Registration and networking, continental breakfast** (*Room 305*)

Morning session: Answering the climate challenge (*Rooms 303 & 304*)

8:15-8:30 a.m. **Welcome**

8:30-9:15 a.m. **Framing address - Our changing hydrograph: what it means for hydropower and salmon**

Presentation on the latest climate science, focusing on the Northwest's changing hydrograph, and how these changes affect hydropower production and salmon survival.

Speaker: Joe Casola, Deputy Director, UW Climate Impacts Group

9:15-10:45 a.m. **Panel #1 – Power planning in a changing climate**

Climate change brings challenges and opportunities to utility power planning and system operations. These changes have important implications for new renewables such as wind and solar and for vehicle electrification, energy efficiency, demand response and energy storage.

Moderator: Deborah Reynolds, Assistant Director, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

Panelist: Maria Pope, Senior Vice-President, Portland General Electric

Panelist: Wayne Morter, Director of Power Management, Seattle City Light

Panelist: Johnathan Scofield, Senior Business Development Manager, AWS Truepower

Panelist: John Fazio, Power Systems Analyst, Northwest Power and Conservation Council

10:45-11 a.m. **Break**

11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **Panel #2 -- Carbon pricing: state/provincial policy and EPA's Clean Power Plan**

Northwest communities are considering state-level carbon reduction policies and weighing compliance strategies for the federal Clean Power Plan, including regional power system coordination.

Moderator: Ann Gravatt, Policy Advisor, Climate Solutions

Panelist: Bill Drumheller, Climate & Energy Specialist, Washington State Department of Ecology

Panelist: Lorna Luebbe, Asst. General Counsel and Director of Environmental and Program Services, Puget Sound Energy

Panelist: Aiko Schaefer, Strategic Consultant

Panelist: Matt Horne, Associate Regional Director of British Columbia, Pembina Institute

12:30-1:30 p.m. **Lunch** (Room 305)

Afternoon session (Rooms 303 & 304)

1:30.-2:20 p.m. **Keynote address – Electric vehicles and our clean energy future**
The expansion of electric vehicles brings important benefits, including emission reductions and efficiency improvements, while posing new challenges for utilities and regulators.

Speaker: Dr. Nancy E. Ryan, Senior Director of Policy and Strategy at E3

2:20-2:30 p.m. **Break**

2:30-4 p.m. **Panel #3 – Residential rate designs for a changing utility marketplace**
An evolving utility marketplace calls for new rate designs. Potential solutions include minimum bills and fixed charges, prepayment, time-of-use rates, inclining block rates and rate designs that advance distributed solar generation and electric vehicles.

Moderator: Jeff Bissonnette, Policy Director, Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

Panelist: Jon Piliaris, Manager of Pricing and Cost of Service, Puget Sound Energy

Panelist: Jim Lazar, Senior Advisor, Regulatory Assistance Project

Panelist: Jaimes Valdez, Policy Manager, NW SEED

Panelist: Michael Karp, President & CEO, A World Institute for a Sustainable Humanity (A W.I.S.H.)

4-4:15 p.m. **Break**

4:15-5 p.m. **Interview - Savings for sale: "Pay for performance" efficiency programs**

Interview of Chris Smith of Energy 350 by Northwest Energy Efficiency Council Executive Director Stan Price

5 p.m. **Reception with cash bar** (Rooms 301 & 302)

6:30 p.m. **NW Energy Coalition Awards Gala** (Room 305)
Evening celebration and fundraiser, including plated dinner and drinks.
Tickets sold separately.

FRIDAY, DEC. 4

Morning session:

8 a.m. **Breakfast** (*LL lobby*)

8:30-9:30 a.m. **State caucus meetings**
BC and Washington caucuses (*LL4 & LL5*)
Idaho caucus (*LL1*)
Montana caucus (*LL3*)
Oregon caucus (*LL2*)

9:30 a.m.-noon **Full membership meeting** (*LL4 & LL5*)

Noon-1 p.m. **Lunch**
Low-income caucus meeting (*LL2*)
Utility caucus meeting (*LL3*)

Afternoon session:

1-3 p.m. **Board meeting** (*LL4 & LL5*)