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## 2020 Northwest Regional Meeting/Workshop

### Agenda **DRAFT**

October 27, 2020

#### Northwest Regional Meeting/Workshop

08:30 – 09:00 AM

#### Virtual Coffee Chat

Crystal Enkvist, Alaska Power Association (APA)  
Brenna Vaughn, Northwest Hydroelectric Association (NWA)  
Malcolm Woolf, National Hydropower Association (NHA)

09:00 – 09:10 AM

#### Introductions

Brenna Vaughn, NWA

09:10 – 09:30 AM

#### Updates: National and Regional

Moderator: Heidi Wahto, Stantec

- Updates from the Hill: A joint statement with environmentalists, a congressional update, and Clean Currents – Malcolm Woolf, NHA
- Regional Update – Mary Gail Sullivan, NorthWestern Energy, NWA President

09:30 – 10:40 AM

#### Hot Topics

Moderator: Finlay Anderson, Kleinschmidt

- *401 Final Rule – A Year is a Year* – Matt Love, Cascadia Law Group
- “Long-Fuse Project” – David Zayas, Idaho Power Co.
- *Hydropower Communications Toolkit Update* – Matt Pevarnik, GE

10:40 – 11:30 PM

#### Keeping the lights on with hydropower – How can resource adequacy in the NW and CA fully value hydropower?

Moderator: Cameron Schilling, NHA

- Gregg Carrington, Northwest Power Pool
- Scott Flake, Scott Flake Consulting

11:30 – 12:00 PM

#### Recent Policy and Market Trends

Moderator: Cameron Schilling, NHA

- Opportunities and barriers for marketing small-scale hydropower development in Oregon – Dave Moldal, Energy Trust of Oregon
- How bitcoin and grow operations are affecting markets – Baxter Gillette, Grant County PUD

12:00 – 1:00 PM

#### Networking Break



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- 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM**      **Power Plant Tour of Bonneville Project**  
Mike Adams, Operations Project Manager for Bonneville Project
- 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM**      **STEM to Hydro Dialogue Workshop with The National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL and the Hydropower Foundation) Complimentary**  
Are you interested in growing the hydropower workforce in an innovative and virtual way? Join the National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL) and the Hydropower Foundation as they take participants on a journey through the recently launched STEM Hydropower portal. There, participants will be presented with the portal structure and content at a high level. Dialogues will focus on expanding and enriching the portal content and identifying gaps and needs for additional information to foster the linkage between academia and industry. Participants will have the opportunity to provide feedback on its relevance, breadth of information and its ability to disseminate information and attract workers to strengthen the U.S. hydro industry. This workshop is a great opportunity to collaborate with industry and academia and contribute to a tool that is building the hydropower workforce of tomorrow. (Max participants = 25) *Registration is complimentary but required due to size limits and can be made through the NWAH registration site.*

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