



MTERA
MIDWEST TRIBAL ENERGY RESOURCES ASSOCIATION

Regional Energy Workshop For Midwest Tribes

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April 8 - 9, 2019

*Potawatomi Hotel & Casino
1721 W. Canal Street
Milwaukee, WI 53233*

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***Bringing Midwest Tribes together to create a clean, secure,
sustainable energy future for Tribes and our neighbors.***

DAY 1: Monday, April 8, 2019

Time	Topic / Activity
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	<i>Breakfast & Networking</i>
9:00 AM - 9:15 AM	<i>Welcome to Forest County Potawatomi Community</i> <i>Jeffrey Crawford, Attorney General - Forest County Potawatomi Community</i>
9:15 AM - 9:30 AM	<i>Attendee Introductions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name, Tribe/Organization, Role
9:30 AM - 9:45 AM	<i>MTERA Overview</i> <i>Bruno Zagar, Chairperson & Mike Troge, Vice Chairperson</i>
9:45 AM - 10:30 AM	<i>Understanding the Tribal Energy Landscape</i> <i>Jake Glavin & John Lewis - Avant Energy</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industry overview Usage, rates, and costs What are Tribes doing? Future trends
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	<i>Break</i>
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	<i>Federal & State Support for Tribes (Panel)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Payton Batliner, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development</i> <i>Judy Clendenning, USDA Rural Development</i> <i>Megan Levy, WI Office of Energy Innovation</i>
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	<i>Lunch & Networking</i>
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	<i>Case Study: Oneida Nation</i> <i>Mike Troge, Environmental Project Manager</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> From Identifying a Project to Project Deployment
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	<i>Powering Your Community with Tribal Energy</i> <i>Sherry Stout, NREL</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why do energy projects? How to creatively do energy projects What is the state of the field?
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	<i>Case Study: Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, A Course towards Sustainability:</i> <i>Brandy Toft, Environmental Deputy Director</i>
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<i>Building Momentum for Tribal Energy</i> <i>Givey Kochanowski, DOE Program Manager</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategic Energy Planning Work Session/Activity Energy Goals, Barriers

DAY 2: Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Time	Topic/Activity
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Breakfast & Networking
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	<p>Case Study: Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority <i>Leonard Gold, General Manager- GRICUA</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forming & Managing a Tribal Utility
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Tour - FCPC Renewable Generation Biodigester Facility & Networking
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Networking & Lunch
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	<p>Working with Your Incumbent Utility & Enhancing Sovereignty through Tribal Utility Formation <i>Sara Drescher, Attorney - Forest County Potawatomi Community & John Lewis - Avant Energy</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilities 101 • How is your incumbent utility doing? • Microgrids & enhancing resiliency • Benefits of a tribal utility
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM	Break
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	<p>Collective Action in the Midwest <i>Jake Glavin - Avant Energy</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How MTERA supports Tribes
2:30 PM - 3:15 PM	<p>Project Development <i>Sherry Stout, NREL</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What analysis do you need to do to start a project? • Evaluating energy alternatives • Work Session/Activity
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM	<p>Work Session on Individual Tribal Projects <i>Givey Kochanowski, DOE Program Manager & Sherry Stout, NREL</i></p>