

MAIN STREET MONTANA PROJECT

A BUSINESS PLAN *For Montana by Montanans*

ENERGY and UTILITIES KIN Meeting

September 22, 2014

10:00 AM-3:00 PM Room 228, Commerce Building, 301 South Park
(Old Federal Building at south end of Last Chance Gulch)

Agenda

- 10:00AM** **Welcome and Introductions**
*Co-Chairs Bob Rowe, CEO - NorthWestern Energy
and Niles Hushka, CEO - KLJ Engineering*
- 10:15AM** **Setting the Context**
- Overview of the Montana Economy**
Joe Ramler, Senior Economist, Department of Commerce
- Overview of Energy in Montana Economy**
Tom Kaiserski, Department of Commerce
- 10:45AM** **Overview of the Governor's Main Street Montana Program**
Jim Molloy, Governor's Office
- 10:55AM** **Today's Goals and Objectives**
Lindsey Woolsey
- 11:10AM** **Setting a Vision: Where do we want our industry to be in 3 years?**
- 11:20AM** **Assessing our Current State: SWOT**
- 11:45AM** **Deliver Lunch**
- 12:10PM** **Prioritizing Issue Areas and Actions across 5 Pillars**
1. Train and Educate Tomorrow's Workforce Today
 2. Create a Climate that Attracts, Retains and Grows Businesses
 3. Build upon Montana's Economic Foundation
 4. Market Montana
 5. Nurture Emerging Industries and Encourage Innovation
- 2:40PM** **Where Do We Go From Here?**
- 3:00PM** **Adjourn and Thank You!**