

MAIN STREET MONTANA PROJECT

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Energy and Utilities KIN Catch-up Call
October 26, 2015
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Mountain Time
Agenda

Conference Call Number: 877-273-4202
Conference Room (pin number): 9929688

KIN Co-chairs Bob Rowe and Niles Hushka will lead a discussion reviewing and summarizing KIN activities while looking ahead to some of the key topics to be covered at our next and final full KIN meeting in December:

- KIN Activity Summary
 - 3 full KIN meetings held to-date: September 2014, March and May 2015
 - 4 work groups convened 10 conference calls covering key Main Street topics (see attached work group members)
 - March 2015 KIN update, meeting minutes and Action Plan can be found [here](#)
- KIN / DEQ discussion group conducted a critical review of the Montana Facilities Siting Act (MFSA)
 - Three calls held this summer in July, August and October
 - Discussion group was comprised of KIN members that volunteered and DEQ Director Tom Livers and his key staff
 - Findings:
 - MFSA needs revision in two areas; The mile-wide corridor and the determination of need provisions
 - Moving toward drafting legislation for the 2017 session
 - MDOC and MDEQ will continue to work with interested KIN members to work out the revision language

Key topics to be covered at our next and final full KIN meeting on December 16 in Helena:

- Workforce - October Workforce Symposium takeaways
- Carbon Reduction / Clean Power Plan – discuss Gov's Office/DEQ stakeholder group activities
- Montana Facilities Siting Act (MFSA) – review KIN / DEQ subgroup findings
- Infrastructure Authority proposal draft
- Final report and recommendations

Wrap-up the call, final comments

Adjourn

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Energy and Utilities KIN Workgroups

Group A - Workforce Issues

PARTICIPANTS: Frank Morehouse, Group A Leader, CEO, Montana Dakota Utilities (MDU)

Anne Jones, Montana Dakota Utilities

Rich Budde, Corval Group – **reporting to KIN**

Senator Alan Olson, Sanjel

Don Prevost, Lower Yellowstone Electric

Craig Wilkins, ViZn Energy

Group B - Regulatory Issues

PARTICIPANTS: Dan Berube, (Retired) Montana Power Company

Carl Borgquist, Absarokee Energy– **reporting to KIN**

Kathy Hadley, NCAAT

Senator Alan Olson, Sanjel

Group C - Market Montana

PARTICIPANTS: Carl Borgquist, Absaroka Energy– **reporting to KIN**

Mark Johnson, Flathead Electric

Brian Lipscomb, Energy Keepers, Inc.

Chris Hodge, NaturEner

Group D - Access to Capital

PARTICIPANTS: Henry Dykema, Sundance Solar Systems, LLC

Mark Johnson, Flathead Electric

Ben Reed, Winpower West

Craig Wilkins, ViZn Energy– **reporting to KIN**

Rich Budde, Corval Group

Group F – Federal Carbon Rules

PARTICIPANTS: Dan Berube – Retired, Montana Power Company

Jason Brothen – Lower Yellowstone Electric Co-op

Rich Budde – Corval Group

Derek Denniston – NaturEner

Henry Dykema – Sundance Solar

Kathy Hadley – NCAAT

Niles Hushka – KLJ

Brian Lipscomb – Energy Keepers

Alan Olson – Sanjel

Don Prevost – Retired, Lower Yellowstone Electric Co-op

Ben Reed – Renewable Energy Business Owner

Bill Thompson - NorthWestern Energy

José Maria Sanchez Seara- NaturEner – **reporting to KIN**