

Energy Improvements in Rural or Remote Areas (ERA) Virtual Workshop

Day One: Tuesday, November 1

All times shown in Mountain Daylight Time (MDT)

Time	Topic	Format	Description
2- 2:15 p.m.	Welcome and Introduction	Presentation	Welcome and introductionsPurpose and collaborative objectives
2:15- 3 p.m.	Why It Matters	Presentation	 Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations intro ERA program overview and how it relates to the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law ERA provision priorities RFI Overview
3- 4 p.m.	What to Expect and How to Prepare	Panel and Q&A	 OCED Project Management approach Justice 40 and equity and environmental justice overview Technical assistance potential
4 p.m.	Adjourn	Presentation	Preparation for two-day dialogue

Day Two: Wednesday, November 2

Time	Topic	Format	Description
10- 10:15 a.m.	Welcome and Introduction	Presentation	Key takeaways from day oneAgenda, goals, and objectives for day two
10:15- 11:15 a.m.	Clean Energy Panel	Panel and Q&A	Clean energy case studies, developments, and opportunities in rural communities, including topics such as, public/private partnerships, financing mechanisms, operations, maintenance, and sustainability
11:15- 11:30 a.m.	Break		
11:30- 12:15 p.m.	Breaking Through the Gaps Part 1	Discussion and Polling	Discussion and polling questions to identify where federal support is needed most to assist energy improvements programs in rural and remote communities
12:15- 12:45 p.m.	Break		
12:45- 1:45 p.m.	Community and Economic Development Perspectives	Panel and Q&A	Integration of regional economic development with clean energy projects including topics such as financing, local and regional economic development planning and impact, project management structures, and the potential and pathway for community ownership
1:45- 2 p.m.	Break		
2- 2:45 p.m.	Breaking Through the Gaps Part 2	Discussion and Polling	Discussion and polling questions to identify technical assistance and partnership potential, and review lessons learned from past projects
2:45- 3 p.m.	Wrap Up and Closing Remarks	Remarks	Closing, appreciation, and next steps