Summit AGENDA

Montana Renewable Energy Association

Tuesday
10 Nov 2026

8:30 A - 4:30 P

Norm Asbjornson Hall
Montana State University - Bozeman, MT

Speakers and Topics Subject to Change

08.00 AM

REGISTRATION & NETWORKING

Check-in, visit with fellow attendees, enjoy morning refreshments.

8:30 AM

WELCOME REMARKS

-Mark Juedeman, MREA Board President
-Brad Van Wert, MREA President Emeritus

9:00 AM

KEYNOTE

Harvesting the Evidence: What Agrivoltaics Has Taught Us
-Stacie Peterson, American Solar Grazing Association (ASGA)

9:30 AM

COMMUNITY SOLAR

From Bill to Building It: Effective Community Solar in the Mountain West
-Nick Bowman, Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA)
-Russell Fisk, New Mexico Public Regulation Commission
-Alex Rein, InClime

10:30 AM

COFFEE BREAK

Connect with peers, renew MREA membership, explore the LEED Platinum building, home to MSU Engineering + Honors Colleges.
-Duke Elliott, MSU Facilities Resource Conservation Engineer

11:00 AM

SOLAR PERMITTING

Building Common Ground for Codes, Compliance, and Consistency in Solar and Battery Storage
-Brandy O'Quinn, Interstate Renewable Energy Council (IREC)

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LUNCH

Buffet lunch provided in the foyer.

1:30 PM

ENERGY EXCHANGE SESSIONS

- Governor's Energy Task Force: DEQ Energy Bureau (IH)
  - Ben Brouwer, Energy Bureau Chief | Claudia Rapkoch, Energy Planning Section Supervisor
- Interconnection in focus (SUB 232)
  - Kyla Maki, Gridworks
- Opportunities for Ag & Energy in Big Sky Country (SUB 236)
  - John Palm and Amanda Vasant, Bozeman Green Build | Breanna Reed and Eric Bronson, ASGA

3:00 PM

DER GRID SERVICES

Fragmented to Flexible: The Case for Virtual Power Plants (VPPs) and Distributed Grid Resources
-Shannon Anderson, Solar United Neighbors

4 - 4:30 PM

CLOSING REMARKS

Thanks for attending the Summit!

Option to attend dinner reception and panel with MEBA.

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