

# Energy & Environment Innovation Plan



## AGENDA

### Electricity Workshop

Arkansas Energy and Environment Innovation Plan

#### DETAILS

**Date and Time:** November 14, 2023 | 12 pm – 5 pm

**Location:** Mike Huckabee Delta Rivers Nature Center  
1400 Black Dog Drive, Pine Bluff, AR 71611

#### AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Welcome** 12 – 12:15
- 2. Energy and Environment Innovation Plan Development Overview** Erika Droke, Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment 12:15 – 12:30 pm
- 3. Utility-Scale Electricity Generation** David Triplett, Entergy Arkansas: Changing landscape of electricity fleet needs in AR (15 minutes) 12:30 – 1:25  
  
Tarique Rashaud, Xemplar Carbon: Novel technologies for dispatchable generation (CCS/CCUS, Hydrogen, Waste-to-Energy) (15 minutes)  
  
**Facilitated Polling (10 minutes)**  
**Open Moderated Discussion (15 minutes)**
- 4. Distributed Generation** Lauren Waldrip, Arkansas Advanced Energy Association: Third-party solar perspective (15 minutes) 1:25 – 2:20  
  
John Bethel, Entergy Arkansas: Utility Perspective (15 minutes)  
  
**Facilitated Polling (10 minutes)**  
**Open Moderated Discussion (15 minutes)**

<b>5. Networking Break</b>		2:20 – 2:40
<b>6. Transmission</b>	<p>Trevor Armstrong, Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) (15 minutes)</p> <p>Glen Hooks, Audubon Delta (15 minutes)</p> <p><b>Facilitated Polling (10 minutes)</b> <b>Open Moderated Discussion (15 minutes)</b></p>	2:40 – 3:35
<b>7. Workforce and Equity</b>	<p>Lauren Waldrip, Arkansas Advanced Energy Association (10 minutes)</p> <p>Tarique Rashaud, U.S. Business Council for Sustainable Development (10 minutes)</p> <p>Dr. Venetia Miller, U of A Pine Bluff: 4-year degree programs and job placement for the future electricity and energy efficiency workforce (10 minutes)</p> <p>Shaun Everest, U of A Pulaski Technical College: 2-year technical programs and job placement for the future electricity and energy efficiency workforce (10 minutes)</p> <p><b>Facilitated Polling (10 minutes)</b> <b>Open Moderated Discussion (20 minutes)</b></p>	3:35 – 4:45
<b>8. Next Steps</b>	<p>Plug for Idea Box/Survey, next step in planning process, request to stay for community meeting</p>	4:45 – 5:00 pm

\* Networking + Food/Refreshments between 5 and 6 pm.