

2024 Efficiency Exchange Conference location change

The 2024 Efficiency Exchange Conference location has changed and will now take place at the **Spokane Convention Center in Spokane, Washington** May 14 and 15. This change follows events of racial harassment that occurred at the end of March in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho in close proximity to the original site of this year's conference.

We appreciate and respect the response of elected officials and other leading community members in condemning these hateful actions and those responsible. Given the circumstances, Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance (NEEA) have decided in the interests of safety for those in attendance to relocate this year's event.

We understand this change will require changes to travel plans for all attendees. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Doubletree Spokane City Center and the Davenport Grand, You can find information on booking your stay as well as information and contacts for canceling room and shuttle reservations for the Coeur d'Alene Resort on the conference website at neea.org/get-involved/efx.

If you are unable to attend the conference in Spokane, the conference is offering virtual attendance as an alternative option for participation. If you have already registered, you may change your registration to attend virtually and will be refunded the cost difference.

It is a sad truth that racism exists everywhere in the United States. BPA and NEEA join all of those who have been harmed by this event, not just the women from the University of Utah, but all people of color, the community of Coeur d'Alene, and everyone working to make the Northwest a more inclusive, equitable place. BPA and NEEA remain committed to advancing energy efficiency for the benefits of all communities across the Northwest. Moving the event allows Efficiency Exchange to continue to provide the important opportunity for us to gather, discuss and plan how to meet the region's future energy efficiency needs. We look forward to experiencing another vibrant and engaging Efficiency Exchange with all of you!

Please reach out to [the EFX Team](#) or your EER with any questions or concerns.