

# MONTANA TRANSMISSION KICKOFF MEETING

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Helena, Montana

Introductions and Logistics

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▶ **Project Specifics:**

▶ **Objective**

- ▶ Explore opportunities and barriers to Montana's potential renewable resources
- ▶ Recommend sustainable solutions to barriers
- ▶ Initiate actions to achieve solutions

▶ **Schedule – 6 months**

- ▶ Dec 8, 2017 to June 30, 2018

▶ **Deliverable – Action Plan**

- ▶ for potential development and delivery of Montana renewable resources
- ▶ to enable thriving commercial market for renewable resource development

OVERVIEW

▶ **Process:**

▶ **Establish project structure**

- ▶ Steering Committee comprised of key stakeholders
- ▶ Sub-committee structure to address policy, planning and operational issues
- ▶ Define detailed project schedule

▶ **Identify and commit staff to accomplish objective**

▶ **Open, inclusive work flow to ensure stakeholder interests are understood and considered**

OVERVIEW

- ▶ **Hear from Governor Bullock and Administrator Mainzer**
  - ▶ Why they convened us
  - ▶ Their goals, desired outcomes, and expectations of us
- ▶ **Panel Members' statements of interests**
- ▶ **Level set on the current state of transmission from the transmission owners' perspective**
- ▶ **Explore the resource developers' perspective on market opportunities and barriers**
- ▶ **First opportunity for public comment**

TODAY'S PLAN



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....Making sure we each  
understand the interests of  
each stakeholder

- ▶ **Selection of Issue Topics to pursue**
  - ▶ Policy
  - ▶ Planning
  - ▶ Operations
  - ▶ Other
  
- ▶ **Decide on Project Structure**
  
- ▶ **Populate Steering, Policy, Planning and Operations Committees**
  
- ▶ **Layout greater project schedule detail**
  
- ▶ **Second opportunity for public comment**
  
- ▶ **Summarize next steps and adjourn**

TODAY'S PLAN

The best time to  
plant a tree was 20  
years ago. The  
second best time is  
now.

--- Chinese Proverb



LET'S GET  
STARTED !!