



Schedule of Events

2019 Washington State Solar Summit Conference Schedule & Program

Friday, October 18, 2019; Meydenbauer Center, Bellevue, WA

The Washington State Solar Summit is presented by Solar Washington, a nonprofit organization advancing solar energy education & awareness in Washington. You may find this schedule online at https://www.solarwa.org/2019_solar_summit_program. WIFI Network: Solar Summit; Password: thankspse. The Exhibition Hall is open all day and in rooms 401/402/403. Q&As will follow each session (time permitting). All times, speakers, speaker order, and content subject to change at any time.

8:00-9:00am: Doors open, registration check in; breakfast buffet served in lobby (open to all SS attendees)

9:00-9:15am: Introduction & Welcome

- **Dean Van Vleet**, President, Solar Washington; Owner, Solar Forensic Services; *Intro & Welcome.*
- **Sarah Vorpahl**, Senior Energy Policy Specialist, Washington State Department of Commerce; *Conference Emcee/Framing the day.*

9:20-10:15am: SESSION: Current industry trends, forecasts and opportunities

- **Austin Perea**, Senior Solar Analyst, Wood Mackenzie; *National trends and forecasts (and where Washington fits in).*
- **Lauren McCloy**, Senior Policy Advisor, Energy, Governor Jay Inslee; *2019 wins and the staging of opportunities in Washington.*

10:15-11am: Mid-morning networking/refreshment break (served in/near Exhibition Hall)

11:00-12noon: SESSION: Advancing storage in Washington: policies, projects and trends

- **Daniel Finn-Foley**, Head of Energy Storage, Wood Mackenzie; *Lessons learned from the U.S. solar + storage market.*
- **Jack Crose**, Director of Sales, Schneider Electric; *Highlighting technical changes and updates in the storage arena; comparing and contrasting specific projects.*
- **Reeves Clippard**, Founder, CEO, A&R Solar; *What's driving the local Washington market?*

12noon-1:15pm: Lunch/networking (buffet lunch served in rooms 407 & 408)

1:15-1:55pm: SESSION: Solar & Resilience

- **Bob Kirchmeier**, P.E., Senior Energy Policy Specialist, Clean Energy Fund Grid Modernization Program, Washington State Department of Commerce; *Giving an overview of several solar + energy storage programs co-funded by the Washington State Clean Energy Fund Grid Modernization program.*
- **Edwin Wanji**, Sphere Solar Energy; *Covering microgrid project developments and climate adaptation initiatives using solar PV for rural electrification and post-disaster response.*

2:00-2:45pm: SESSION: Solar panel recycling & addressing the current Washington recycling legislation

- **Kirk Haffner**, Owner, South Sound Solar & **Jeremy Smithson**, Owner, Puget Sound Solar; *Giving an overview and discussion of the Washington solar recycling law on the books.*
- **Sam Vanderhoof**, CEO, Recycle PV Solar, LLC; *On why recycling is necessary, the technologies, shortfalls of the WA state proposal.*

2:45-3:15pm: Mid-afternoon networking/refreshment break (served in/near Exhibition Hall)

3:15-4:45pm: SESSION: Scaling Up: What it will take to get to 100%

- **Senator Reuven Carlyle**, 36th Legislative District; *As chair of the Senate Environment, Energy, and Technology Committee, Senator Reuven Carlyle will provide a legislative update on solar developments in Washington. His remarks will include an in-depth discussion of the Washington Clean Energy Transformation Act, which moves Washington off coal by 2025 and to 100 percent clean and renewable energy by 2045.*
- **Haley Gardner**, Specialist, Zero Energy, International Living Future Institute; *Haley will speak about ILFI's role in creating pathways that make solar energy abundant, equitable, and scalable from a building perspective.*
- **Jason Thackston**, Senior Vice President, Energy Resources, Avista Utilities; *Jason will provide an electric utility's perspective of building upon the largest utility scale solar project in Washington and moving toward a 100% clean electric grid. Opportunities and challenges of renewable integration while maintaining reliability and affordability.*

4:45-5:00pm: Closing

5:00-8:00pm: Reception & Awards (located in/near Exhibition Hall; open to all attendees)



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