



## Montana's Leading Energy Conference and Trade Show

MetraPark Entertainment and Trade Center  
308 6th Avenue North  
Billings, MT

### Monday, April 2

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8:00 am – 8:00 pm Trade Show Set-Up/Move In  
Location: MetraPark Expo Center – Large Bay

7:00 pm **Exhibitor and Sponsor Reception**  
Location: MetraPark Expo Center

### Tuesday, April 3

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7:00 am Registration

7:00 – 8:30 am Continental Breakfast  
**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center

8:30 am **Welcoming Remarks**  
**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Small Bay  
Cary Hegreberg, Executive Director, Montana Contractors' Association  
Montana State Senator Taylor Brown

9:00 am Trade Show Opens  
Location: MetraPark Expo Center – Large Bay

9:00 am **Keynote Address:** *Making Montana an Energy Powerhouse*  
**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Small Bay  
**Speaker:** Dr. William F. Whitsitt, Executive Vice President of Public Affairs, Devon Energy Corporation

10:00 am Networking Break

10:15 am **Concurrent Sessions**  
**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena

**Session A:** *Prospects and Problems for Energy Development in Montana*  
**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena – Room A

**Moderator and Panelist:** John S. Fitzpatrick, Executive Director  
Governmental Affairs, NorthWestern Energy

**Panelists:**

- Curtis T. Pohl, Vice President, Distribution, NorthWestern Energy
- Thomas D. Pankratz, PE, Project Manager, NorthWestern Energy

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**Concurrent Sessions (continued)**

**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena

**Session B:** *Montana Energy – Producing It and Moving It*

**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena – Room B

**Moderator:** Tom Kaiserski, Program Manager, Energy Promotion and Development

**Panelists:**

- Ted Williams, Director of Transmission, Gaelectric North America
- Varner Seaman, Senior Manager for Government and Regulatory Affairs, EDP Renewables
- Alan D. Ekblad, Executive Secretary of the Montana State AFL-CIO
- Gregory H. Copeland, Director of Wind Energy Development, NaturEner

**Session C:** *Managing the Impacts and Opportunities for Local Montana Communities*

**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena – Room C

**Moderator:** Montana State Representative Matthew Rosendale

**Panelists:**

- Rick Leuthold, Chairman – Director of Business Director, Sanderson Stewart
- Larry Bonderud, Mayor of Shelby, MT
- Joe Dooling, Senior Project Manager, Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson
- Jim Skillestad, County Commissioner, District 1, Dawson County, MT

**Session D:** *Business Networking*

**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena – Room D

11:15 am

**Keynote Address:** *Economic Impact of Coal Development in Montana*

**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Small Bay

**Speaker:** Dr. Patrick Barkey, Director, Bureau of Business and Economic Research, University of Montana

Noon

**Luncheon**

**Remarks:** US Senator Max Baucus

**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Small Bay

**Keynote Address:** *How Montana Fits into the Global Picture*

**Speaker:** Dr. Michael Economides, Managing Partner, J. Economides Consultants, Inc.

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1:45 pm

**Concurrent Sessions:**

**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena

**Session A:** *Wildlife Concerns for Energy Projects – Obstacle or Opportunity?*

**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena – Room A

**Moderator:** Joe Icenogle, Director of Environmental Affairs, Fidelity Exploration

**Panelists:**

- David Wood, Conservation Biologist, Bureau of Land Management
- Van Jamison, Vice President of Public Affairs and Strategic Assets, Gaelectric North America

**Session B:** *Legal Considerations in Energy Development*

**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena – Room B

**Moderator:** Mark L. Stermitz, Crowley Fleck Law Firm PLLP

**Panelists:**

- Christopher C. Stoneback, Crowley Fleck Law Firm PLLP
- Steven T. Wade, Browning, Kaleczyc, Berry and Hoven
- Jeffery J. Oven, Crowley Fleck Law Firm PLLP

**Session C:** *Business Networking*

**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena – Room D

3:00 pm

Networking Break

3:30 pm

**Keynote Address:** *An Independent View: The Bakken*

**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Small Bay

**Speaker:** Thomas B. Nusz, President and CEO, Oasis Petroleum Inc.

5:30 pm

**Montana Energy 2012 Banquet**

5:30 – 6:00 pm

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**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Small Bay

6:00 – 7:30 pm

Dinner and Keynote Address

**Introduction:** Steve Arveschoug, Executive Director, Big Sky Economic Development

**Speakers:** Jim Orchard, Senior Vice President, Marketing and Government Affairs, Cloud Peak Energy

Steve Bobb, Group Vice President, Coal Business Group, BNSF

6:30 pm

Trade Show Closes

## Wednesday, April 4

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- 7:30 – 8:30 am Continental Breakfast  
**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center
- 8:00 am Trade Show Opens  
**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Large Bay
- 8:30 am **Opening Remarks**  
**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Small Bay  
US Representative Denny Rehberg  
Tom Kaiserski, Program Manager, Energy Promotion and Development Division,  
Montana Department of Commerce
- 8:45 am **Keynote Address:** *The Future of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration and Enhanced Oil Recovery: What it Means for Montana*  
**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Small Bay  
**Speaker:** Dr. Gerald Groenewold, Director, Energy and Environmental Research Center (EERC)
- 9:30 am **Keynote Address:** *Montana's Treasure: CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR Opportunities in the Pipeline*  
**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Small Bay  
**Speaker:** Greg Dover, Vice President of Operations Excellence, Denbury Resources
- 10:00 am Networking Break
- 10:30 am **Concurrent Sessions:**  
**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena
- Session A:** *Fracture Stimulation Proppants: "Fishing for Frac Sand"*  
**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena – Room A  
**Presenter:** John Getty, Instructor-Lab Director, Petroleum Engineering Department, Montana Tech
- Session B:** *Blueprint for Western Energy Prosperity*  
**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena – Room B  
**Presenter:** Tim Wigley, President, Western Energy Alliance
- Session C:** *Real World Renewable Energy Opportunities for Montana*  
**Location:** Rimrock Auto Arena – Room C  
**Moderator:** Brian Spangler, Manager of Energy Planning and Renewable Energy Program, Montana Department of Environmental Quality  
**Panelists:**
- Dr. William D. Gosnold, Director, University of North Dakota Petroleum Research Education and Entrepreneurship Center
  - Matt Jore, Co-Founder and Chairman, Boulder WindPower
  - Chuck Roady, Vice President - General Manager, F.H. Stoltze Land and Lumber Company
  - Gregory D. Kegel, Dean, College of Technical Sciences, MSU-Northern

## Wednesday, April 4

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Noon

### Luncheon

**Location:** MetraPark Expo Center – Small Bay

**Keynote Address:** *What They Say is Not What We Get: Assessing the Obstacles to Serious Energy Projects*

**Speaker:** William L. Kovacs, Senior Vice President, Environment, Technology and Regulatory Affairs Division, US Chamber of Commerce

1:30 pm

**Panel Discussion:** *The Montana-Alberta Connection – United States and Canada Working Together for Energy Security and Economic Prosperity*

**Moderator:** Ms. Ladan Amirazizi, Acting Consul General, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade

#### Panelists:

- Patricia Nelson, Vice-Chair, Active Industry Group, IOSA
- Ed Scheibelhut, Director, Business Development - Oil Pipelines, TransCanada
- Don Thompson, Executive Advisor, Sustainability and Oil Sands Outreach, Canadian Oil Sands Limited
- Alan Olson, Senior Field Representative, Sanjel USA, Inc.

3:00 pm

### Closing Remarks

**Speaker:** Niles Hushka, PE, CEO, Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson

4:00 pm

Trade Show Closes/Move Out

## Thursday, April 5

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8:00 am – Noon

Trade Show Move Out