

NARUC Summer Policy Summit

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UPDATED AGENDA

Hilton Minneapolis

Monday, July 20, 2026			
8:00 AM	4:00 PM	Registration Open	Red Wing Room
8:00 AM	9:00 AM	Commission Chairs Council Breakfast	Grand Salon E
8:30 AM	9:00 AM	North Star Morning Brew	Grand Ballroom Foyer
9:00 AM	10:45 AM	<u>Opening General Session 1</u> Keynote Address: Low and Behold: Barometric Extremes Amplifying Weather Hazards Utility Infrastructure and Rural Landscapes	Grand Salons A-D
10:45 AM	11:15 AM	North Star Morning Brew	Grand Ballroom Foyer
11:15 AM	12:15 PM	<i>Easy Rider(s): Friend or Foe to Affordability?</i> Committee on Electricity	Grand Salons A-D
11:15 AM	12:15 PM	<i>DER-tributed Data Centers</i> Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment	Marquette III-V (3-5)
11:15 AM	12:15 PM	<i>Business Meeting</i> Committee on Gas	Marquette VI-IX (6-9)
11:15 AM	12:15 PM	<i>State Strategies for Broadband Affordability</i> Committee on Telecommunications	Grand Salon E
11:15 AM	12:15 PM	<i>Business Meeting</i> Staff Subcommittee & Committee on Water	Grand Salons F-G
11:00 AM	5:00 PM	Staff Subcommittee on Information Management	Marquette II (2)
12:15 PM	1:45 PM	Lunch on own	
1:45 PM	2:45 PM	<i>Business Meeting</i> Committee on Electricity, Comm See	Marquette VI-IX (6-9)
1:45 PM	2:45 PM	<i>All of the Above: Building an Affordable, Reliable Grid with Every Tool in the Toolbox</i> Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment	Grand Salons F-G
1:45 PM	2:45 PM	<i>Natural Gas Storage: A Critical Tool for Reliability and Affordability</i> Committee on Gas, Comm Chang	Grand Salons A-D
1:45 PM	2:45 PM	<i>The State Role in Broadband Regulation</i> Committee on Telecommunications	Grand Salon E
1:45 PM	2:45 PM	<i>AI Solutions: Helping Water Move from React-and-Repair to Predictive Maintenance</i> Committee on Water	Marquette III-V (3-5)
2:45 PM	3:15 PM	Twin Cities Afternoon Recharge	Grand Ballroom Foyer
3:15 PM	4:15 PM	<i>Making the Grade - States' Roles in the Transformation of Transmission Planning</i> Committee on Electricity	Grand Salons A-D
3:15 PM	4:15 PM	<i>Business Meeting</i> Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment	Grand Salons F-G
3:15 PM	4:15 PM	<i>Gas-Electric Coordination and Permitting: Implementing GEAR Taskforce and NPC Study Recommendations</i> Committee on Gas	Marquette VI-IX (6-9)
3:15 PM	4:15 PM	<i>Business Meeting</i> Committee on Telecommunications	Grand Salon E
3:15 PM	4:15 PM	<i>Water Scarcity and the Colorado River Basin</i> Committee on Water	Marquette III-V (3-5)
4:15 PM	5:15 PM	MARC (Invitees Only)	Symphony I (1)
4:15 PM	5:15 PM	Western (Invitees Only)	Symphony III (3)
4:15 PM	5:15 PM	SEARUC (Invitees Only)	Symphony II (2)

Tuesday, July 21, 2026			
7:30 AM	8:45 AM	Commissioner Only Breakfast (closed)	Orchestra Ballroom
8:30 AM	4:30 PM	Registration Open	Red Wing Room
8:30 AM	9:00 AM	North Star Morning Brew	Grand Ballroom Foyer
9:00 AM	10:45 AM	<u>General Session 2: GENERAL SESSION</u> Keynote Speaker: Hon. James P. Danly, Deputy Secretary, U.S. Department of Energy All In: Weathering the Storms Together for Grid Reliability	Grand Salons A-D
10:30 AM	11:00 AM	North Star Morning Brew	Grand Ballroom Foyer
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Love Is Blind... But Data Center Development Doesn't Have to Be: Red Flags and Best Practices for Building Partnerships in the Data Center Boom <i>Committee on Electricity</i>	Grand Salons A-D
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Unlocking VGI: A Multi-State Blueprint for (Electric) Vehicle-Grid Integration <i>Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment</i>	Grand Salons F-G
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	The Value of Natural Gas Hedging <i>Committee on Gas</i>	Marquette VI-IX (6-9)
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Ensuring NG911 Operability in an all-IP World <i>Committee on Telecommunications</i>	Grand Salon E
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Assessing Industry Readiness for the PFAS Drinking Water Deadline <i>Committee on Water</i>	Marquette III-V (3-5)
12:00 PM	1:30 PM	Lunch on Own	
1:30 PM	2:30 PM	Big Loads and Big Stakes: Next Steps for the States in the Large Load Interconnection Proceedings <i>Joint Committee on Electricity & Energy Resources and the Environment</i>	Grand Salons F-G
1:30 PM	2:30 PM	Building the Workforce of Tomorrow <i>Committee on Gas</i>	Marquette VI-IX (6-9)
1:30 PM	2:30 PM	Redefining USF for a Broadband World <i>Committee on Telecommunications</i>	Grand Salon E
1:30 PM	2:30 PM	Delivering Quality Water in Challenging Economic Times <i>Committee on Water</i>	Marquette III-V (3-5)
2:30 PM	3:00 PM	Metro Twin Cities Afternoon Recharge	Grand Ballroom Foyer
3:00 PM	4:30 PM	<u>General Session 3</u> Fireside Chat with Bob Frenzel Data Centers: Converging, Emerging, and Diverging Perspectives	Grand Salons A-D

Wednesday, July 22, 2026			
8:30 AM	10:30 AM	Registration Open	Red Wing Room
8:30 AM	9:30 AM	North Star Morning Brew	Grand Ballroom Foyer
9:00 AM	10:30 AM	<u>General Session 4: CLOSING GENERAL SESSION</u> C-Suite Perspectives on Investing in Clean, Dispatchable Generation Can We Have the Best of Both Worlds? Options for Improving Affordability in an Era of Demand Growth	Grand Salons A-D
10:45 AM	12:00 PM	Board Meeting	Grand Salon E
1:00 PM	4:30 PM	CPI Site Visit: Advanced HVAC R&D Facility tour	Off Site
1:30 PM	4:00 PM	CPI Site Visit: MISO Control Room tour	Off Site