



Save the Date
May 2-3, 2018

Distribution Systems and Planning Training
Western State Public Utility Commissions and State Energy Offices
Salt Lake City, Utah

The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, National Association of State Energy Offices, Western Interstate Energy Board (WIEB), and Berkeley Lab invite Western public utility commissions and state energy offices to participate in a training on distribution systems and planning in Salt Lake City, Utah, on May 2-3, 2018. A limited number of travel stipends will be available.

In addition, WIEB will be hosting a Strategic Advisory Committee meeting for its U.S. DOE Solar Energy Technologies Office cooperative agreement the afternoon of May 1st. The meeting will focus on developing policies to remove barriers to interconnection of distributed solar generation in the West. The meeting is open to training participants.

The training includes 101-level sessions on electric distribution systems and utility distribution system planning, plus a presentation and moderated discussions on [state engagement in longer-term distribution planning](#). More in-depth technical sessions cover distributed energy resources (DERs), reliability, distribution system controls and automation, emerging distribution planning analyses (e.g., scenario modeling, hosting capacity, locational net benefits), forecasting load with DERs, and interactions of DERs with the transmission system. See the agenda, presenter bios, and presentations from one of our prior trainings at <https://emp.lbl.gov/node/2818>.

In previous trainings, attendees have included commissioners and commission staff such as energy/electricity division heads, general counsels, economists, planning engineers, and staff working on grid modernization dockets.

The training is made possible through the U.S. Department of Energy's Grid Modernization Laboratory Consortium, in partnership with Berkeley Lab, National Renewable Energy Laboratory and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory.

We'll announce details on registration, hotel and travel stipends in February. Questions? Contact Kerry Worthington: kworthington@naruc.org