

# North Central Regional Risk Assessment & Wildfire Workshop



## DRAFT AGENDA

Madison, Wisconsin

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### Day 1: Monday, August 25, 2025

TIME	TOPIC
12:30 PM – 1:00 PM	<b>Welcome &amp; State Host Keynotes</b> Sponsor introductions and opening remarks from state leadership.
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM	<b>Defining the North Central Regional Energy Profile</b> Collaborative group exercises exploring regional insights.
2:30 PM – 2:45 PM	<b>Break</b>
2:45 PM – 4:00 PM	<b>Regional Risk Assessment: State Roundtables</b> Facilitated discussions to define key regional risks, align state methodologies, identify insight gaps, and establish shared priorities. Supported by PNNL analysis.
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	<b>Analytical Approach and Feedback Elicitation</b> Participants will develop risk components and scenarios, apply assessment methods, explore regional mitigation strategies, and identify opportunities for collaboration.



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### Day 2: Tuesday, August 26, 2025

TIME	TOPIC
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	<b>Welcome &amp; Objectives, Day 1 Reflections</b> Review of goals and objectives and reflections on Day 1.
9:00 AM – 10:15 AM	<b>Emerging Hazards, Trends, and Effects on the Region</b> Participants will discuss new or growing wildfire threats and the effects on the region.
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM	<b>Break</b>
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>Scenario Action Planning</b> Participants engage in a hypothetical wildfire event to test response plans, regional coordination, and decision-making.
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	<b>Working Lunch – Spotlight on Local Wildfire Experiences in the Region</b>
1:00 PM – 2:45 PM	<b>Continued Scenario Action Planning</b>
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	<b>Break</b>
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	<b>Small Group Exercise: Review of Exercise Lessons Learned</b> Breakout groups to reflect on the exercise, identify strengths, challenges and areas for improvement.
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	<b>Debrief – Key Insights and Identified Gaps</b>



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### Day 3: Wednesday, August 27, 2025

TIME	TOPIC
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	<b>Welcome and Objectives</b> Introduction from GDO sponsor and review of goals and objectives.
9:00 AM – 10:15 AM	<b>Wildfire in the North Central Region</b> A panel explores regional wildfire trends, historical events, shifting fire seasons, and data resources such as RADR-Fire, the Wisconsin FPPA, and datasets of varying fidelity.
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM	<b>Break</b>
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>Small Group Technical Breakouts</b> Breakouts on fire indexes and modeling, emergency response and community engagement from the Western U.S., and wildfire interactions with energy systems.
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	<b>Working Lunch – Wildfire Perspectives</b> Informal discussion focused on wildfire viewpoints.
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	<b>Utility Wildfire Mitigation: Design and Planning</b> A utility panel shares priorities for wildfire mitigation planning.
2:00 PM – 2:15 PM	<b>Coffee Standup and a Group Photo</b>
2:15 PM – 3:30 PM	<b>Small Group Technical Breakouts</b> Breakouts focused on wildfire risk assessment and mitigation metrics, de-energization (PSPS) practices, oil and natural gas interdependencies, and new wildfire technologies.
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	<b>Plenary Panel – State Perspectives</b> Leaders from public utilities, natural resources, energy offices, and emergency management share their perspectives on wildfire challenges and approaches.
4:30 PM – 5:00 PM	<b>Closing Out and Workshop Reflections</b>



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