

# Regional Wildfire Workshop for State Energy Security Planning

## DRAFT AGENDA



The Madison Concourse Hotel, Madison, Wisconsin

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## 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 historical events, wildfire trends, and data resources.
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM	<b>Break</b>
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>Small Group Technical Topic 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 (EPSS & 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 state agencies for utility oversight, natural resource management, energy, 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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