

EmPower North Dakota Commission Plan to Review & Strengthen EmPower ND

Due to the dynamic nature of the energy industries, the EmPower ND Commission is implementing a plan to review each energy industry every 12 to 18 months. What follows is a proposed schedule for the EmPower ND Commission to review the energy industries and related topics in the order the commission reviewed them when formulating the EmPower ND energy policy.

December 12, 2008 / January 5, 2009 (Bismarck)

A meeting to review progress and evaluate the EmPower ND goals concerning wind and transmission.

Topics:

- Legislative Agenda
- Wind
- Transmission

February 24, 2009 (Bismarck)

A meeting to discuss the first half of the legislative session and review the progress and evaluate the EmPower ND goals concerning workforce.

Topics:

- Legislative Update
- Workforce

July 16, 2009 (Bismarck)

A meeting to review the final results of the legislative session and plan for the upcoming year.

Topics:

- Legislative Review
- Map Out Commission's Work

September 21, 2009 (Fargo)

A meeting to review progress and evaluate the EmPower ND goals concerning infrastructure, energy efficiency, and other energy sources including solar, geothermal, hydrogen, and hydro power. The meeting will also include an update from the State Water Commission concerning the water resources study.

Topics:

- Infrastructure
- Energy Efficiency
- Solar, Geothermal, Hydrogen and Hydro Power
- Water Resource Study

Revised as of September 21, 2009

October 19, 2009 (Stanley)

A meeting to review progress and evaluate the EmPower ND goals concerning oil & gas, natural gas processing, and pipelines. May include tours related to oil & gas production and distribution.

Topics:

- Oil & Gas
- Natural Gas Processing
- Pipelines

November 18, 2009 (Great Plains Synfuels Plant, Beulah)

A meeting to review progress and evaluate the EmPower ND goals concerning lignite, power generation, and carbon dioxide sequestration. May include tours related to the Great Plains Synfuels Plant and the Antelope Valley Station.

Topics:

- Lignite / Power Generation
- Carbon Dioxide Sequestration

January 27, 2010 (Minot)

A meeting to review progress and evaluate the EmPower ND goals concerning biodiesel, workforce, refining, and petroleum marketing.

Topics:

- Biodiesel
- Workforce
- Refining
- Petroleum Marketing

March 31, 2010 (Jamestown)

A meeting to review progress and evaluate the EmPower ND goals concerning ethanol and biomass / cellulosic ethanol. May include a tour of the Spiritwood Energy Park.

Topics:

- Ethanol
- Biomass / Cellulosic Ethanol

May 19, 2010 (Grand Forks)

A meeting to review progress and evaluate the EmPower ND goals concerning wind, transmission, and the overall policy goals. May include a tour of the Energy and Environmental Research Center's National Center for Hydrogen Technology, as well as the smart grid trailer.

- Wind
- Transmission
- Overall Policy Goals