

NCEL 2023 National Forum Agenda
Thursday, August 10 - Saturday, August 12, 2023

Thursday, August 10	
Session and Time	Location
12:00 - 4:00 PM <i>PJM/MISO Pre-Forum Event: How Can State Legislators Reform Their Grid Operators to Better Achieve a Clean Energy Future?</i>	Kentucky
6:00 - 8:00 PM <i>Opening Reception</i>	St. Joseph Brewery

Friday, August 11	
Session and Time	Location
7:00 - 8:00 AM <i>Registration table opens. Breakfast starts serving at 7:30.</i>	Indiana A-E
8:00 - 9:15 AM <i>Welcome and Plenary Panel: Indigenizing Environmental Policy: How State and Tribal Partnerships Can Result in Better Environmental Policy</i>	Indiana A-E
9:15 - 9:30 AM <i>Networking Break</i>	
9:30 - 10:30 AM <i>Plenary Panel: Reduce, Reuse, Refill: Opportunities for State Policy to Address Plastic Pollution</i>	Indiana A-E
10:30 - 10:50 AM <i>Networking Break</i>	
10:50 AM - 12:20 PM <i>Concurrent Breakout Sessions</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Emerging Energy Technologies: Fact or Fiction?</i> ● <i>Coastal Carbon Conservation as a Solution for the Climate and Biodiversity Crises</i> ● <i>Cumulative Impacts Policy Tools: Prioritizing Collaborative Environmental Justice Leadership in Frontline Communities</i> 	Kentucky Indiana F Tennessee
12:20 - 1:00 PM <i>Lunch and Awards</i>	Indiana A-E
1:00 PM - 1:45 PM <i>Keynote: Henk B. Rogers, Founder of Blue Planet Alliance; Founder and Chairman of Board for Blue Planet Foundation</i>	Indiana A-E
1:45 - 2:00 PM <i>Networking Break</i>	

2:00 - 3:30 PM <i>Concurrent Breakout Sessions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Utilizing Utility Policy as a Climate Solution</i> • <i>All Wildlife, All People: Enabling State Wildlife Agencies to Protect Endangered Species and Bolster Biodiversity</i> • <i>PFAS In Water: State Policy Opportunities to Combat PFAS and Other Toxics in All Bodies of Water</i> 	Kentucky Indiana F Tennessee
3:30 - 3:45 PM <i>Networking Break</i>	
3:45 - 4:45 PM <i>Plenary Panel: Equitably Closing the EV Charging Gap Through State Legislation</i>	Indiana A-E
6:30 - 9:00 PM <i>Evening Reception</i>	Salesforce Tower

Saturday, August 12	
Session and Time	Location
8:30 - 10:00 AM <i>Day 2 Welcome and Breakfast Roundtable Discussions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Active Transportation</i> • <i>Carnivore Coexistence</i> • <i>Just Transition</i> • <i>Watershed and Riparian Restoration</i> • <i>Anti-ESG Policies</i> • <i>EJ and Cumulative Impacts</i> • <i>Outdoors as a Climate Solution</i> • <i>Bottle Bills</i> • <i>Fossil Fuel Accountability</i> • <i>Pesticides/Pollinators</i> 	Indiana A-E
10:00 - 10:15 AM <i>Networking Break</i>	
10:15 - 11:45 AM <i>Concurrent Breakout Sessions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Transmission, Siting, and Permitting: The Roadblocks To Our Clean Energy Goals</i> • <i>A Triple Threat to Biodiversity: Policy Solutions to Address Habitat Loss, Invasive Species, and Wildlife Exploitation</i> • <i>East Palestine and Beyond: State Opportunities to Reduce Dependence on Toxic Chemicals and Move Towards Safer Products and Processes</i> 	Kentucky Indiana F Tennessee
11:45 - 12:00 PM <i>Networking Break</i>	
12:00 - 1:30 PM <i>Closing Lunch and Keynote: Janet McCabe, Deputy Administrator, EPA</i>	Indiana A-E
1:30 - 1:45 PM <i>NCSL Preview</i>	Indiana A-E
2:30 - 4:00 PM <i>Optional Outdoor Outing: Outdoor Access as Wellness: Policies, Place, and Pedals</i>	White River State Park