

## [Draft] NCEL 2025 National Forum Agenda

Thursday, July 31 - Saturday, August 2, 2025

Thursday, July 31	
Session and Time	Location
<b>11:30 AM - 4:00 PM</b> Pre-Forum Session: ISO-NE Building the Grid of the Future  <i>This event is designed for state legislators of ME, NH, VT, MA, RI, and CT.</i>	
<b>11:30 AM - 4:00 PM</b> Pre-Forum Session: Ocean Challenges and Opportunities – A Convening for West Coast Legislators  <i>This event is designed for state legislators of AK, CA, HI, OR, and WA.</i>	
<b>6:00 - 9:00 PM</b> Opening Reception	

Friday, August 1	
Session and Time	Location
<b>8:00 - 9:00 AM</b> Registration table opens. Breakfast starts serving at 8:00.	
<b>9:00 - 10:00 AM</b> Welcome and 2025 Legislative Highlights	
<b>10:00 - 11:00 AM</b> Plenary Session: Innovative Financing Options for State Policy	
<b>11:00 - 11:30 AM</b> Networking Break	
<b>11:30 AM - 12:45 PM</b> Concurrent Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The World is on Fire: Who to Hold Accountable and How to Keep Constituents Insured</li> <li>• Sustainable Agriculture</li> <li>• Habitat Connectivity Workshop: Visioning for a Connected Country</li> </ul>	
<b>12:45 - 2:00 PM</b> Lunch and Awards	
<b>2:00 PM - 3:15 PM</b> Concurrent Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reliability, Resiliency, &amp; Affordability: Grid Policies that Let Clean Energy Do it All</li> <li>• Reducing PFAS in Our Lives: From Beauty Products to Biosolids</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Ocean Biodiversity Strategy for Resilient Coasts</li> </ul>	
<b>3:15 - 3:45 PM</b> Networking Break with snacks	
<b>3:45 - 5:00 PM</b> Workshop: Embedding Equity Into Policy: Best Practices In A Shifting Political Climate	
<b>7:00 - 9:30 PM</b> Evening Reception	

Saturday, August 2	
Session and Time	Location
<b>8:00 - 9:15 AM</b> Welcome and Breakfast Roundtable Discussions	
<b>9:30 - 10:30 AM</b> Plenary Session: Affordable Housing and the Built Environment: Best Practices for Integrating Environmental Considerations	
<b>10:30 - 10:45 AM</b> Networking Break	
<b>10:45 AM - 12:00 PM</b> Concurrent Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oh The Places You'll Go: Funding, Messaging, and Decarbonizing Transportation in a Post-Pandemic World</li> <li>What's Old Is New: Creating Pathways to Reuse Within Plastics Policy</li> <li>Brick by Brick, Leaf by Leaf: Creating a Livable Community that Centers Nature</li> </ul>	
<b>12:00 - 1:15 PM</b> Closing Lunch and Plenary Session: Bridging the Divide with Effective Messaging Strategies	
<b>1:15 - 1:30 PM</b> NCSL Preview	
<b>2:00 - 5:00 PM</b> Optional Outdoor Outing	