Preparing Midwestern Communities for Power Plant Closures Meeting
November 10, 2021 at 10:00 am Central | Virtual

The fourth full group conversation will start out with an update on the work of the Interagency Working Group (IWG) with remarks from the director of the IWG. Then participants will hear from a panel of subgroup co-chairs on a review of this past year’s process and highlights of recommendations that came up during subgroup conversation. We’ll wrap up with further discussions on the publication from staff.

10:00 am   Welcome and Introductions
   - Jesse Heier, Executive Director, Midwestern Governors Association
   - Emily Rhodes, Technical Assistance & Planning Manager, Just Transition Fund

10:05 am   Update from the Federal Interagency Working Group (IWG) on Coal and Power Plant Communities and Economic Revitalization.
   - Brian Anderson, Ph.D., Executive Director of the Interagency Working Group (IWG) on Coal and Power Plant Communities and Economic Revitalization and Director of the National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL)

10:40 am   Panel Discussion: Review of Subgroups
   Subgroup Chairs will provide an overview of the work of their group, lessons learned, recommendations from the process.
   - Local Community Impacts - Shane Zahrt, Senior Attorney/Lobbyist, Flaherty & Hood
   - Economic Development – Nancy Norr, Norr Community Solutions, LLC
   - Workforce and Education – Patrick Baker, Director of Government Relations, Western Governors University
   - Energy and Environment – Brady Steigau, Community Energy Specialist, Minnesota Center for Energy and Environment
   - Moderator - Cindy Winland, Senior Fellow, Just Transition Fund

11:25 am   Discussion of Next Steps and the Publication in Development

11:30 am   Adjourn