Tuesday, 23 February 2021

9:00 am  Welcome & Plan for the Day
- Zoom navigation overview and icebreaker polls - Kuba Grzeda (ARCUS)
- Welcome, Workshop Goals, & Day 1 Overview - Kristen Schell (Research Team Lead)

9:10 am  Introductions
- Workshop Participant Introductions - Helen Wiggins (ARCUS)
- Read-aheads: Participant Bios & “Fun Facts” worksheet

9:30 am  Arctic Microgrids Project Overview
- Overview of the Arctic Microgrids Planning Project, Timeline, & Outcomes
- “Convergence” in Navigating the New Arctic
- Advisory Committee Role
- Q&A
- Read-ahead: Project Overview

9:50 am  Group Word Cloud Exercise: Participants will enter a few words in response to the question “What are the high-priority energy issues facing rural Alaska communities?” (we’ll use the tool MeetingSift - open web browser to: sift.ly and enter code: AKENERGY)

9:55 am  Instructions for Small Group Discussion

10:00 am  Small Group Discussion #1: Energy Issues for Rural Alaska Communities
(Break into 2 groups)
- What are the high-priority energy issues facing rural Alaska communities?
- How do Alaska regions differ in their energy needs and challenges?
- What is your vision of Alaska’s energy future? What would rural community energy use look like in 30 years? What will it take to get to that vision?

10:50 am  Report Outs & Plenary Discussion

11:10 am  Break

11:40 am  Instructions for Small Group Discussion #2
11:45 am  **Small Group Discussion #2: Research & Education for Solutions**  
(Break into 2 groups)  
- How can research and/or education activities contribute to energy solutions?  
- What are the priority research and/or education activities that are needed?  
- How would we define successful research and/or education activities? What are the criteria for success as we select the topics and activities to pursue?

12:35 pm  Report Outs & Plenary Discussion

12:55 pm  Day 1 Wrap Up & Plans for Day 2

1:00 pm  End of Day 1

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**Wednesday, 24 February 2021**

9:00 am  **Welcome Back, Brief Recap of Day 1 Discussions, and Plan for Day 2**  
Note: The details of Day 2 will be adapted, as needed, given discussions during Day 1

9:10 am  Instructions for Small Group Discussion #3

9:15 am  **Small Group Discussion #3: Guiding Community Engagement & Visits**  
- For the community visits, which communities should be a priority, and why?  
- What should we consider as far as respectful collaboration, as we are planning for these visits and engagement with communities?

10:05 am  Report Outs & Plenary Discussion

10:25 am  Instructions for Small Group Discussion #4

10:30 am  **Small Group Discussion #4: Research and Education Partnerships**  
- What kinds of partnership and collaborations should the project pursue to address the research and education (including community/citizen science) needs discussed yesterday?  
- Are there specific people, groups, or projects that should be partners?

11:20 am  Break

11:50 am  Report Outs, Plenary Discussion

12:10 pm  **Next Steps for the Arctic Microgrids Project**  
- How workshop input will be used  
- Next steps for the Arctic Microgrids Planning Project including:  
  - Community visits  
  - Convergence research project co-developed with community partners  
  - Final follow-up meeting of the advisory committee

12:30 pm  Meeting Adjourns - Thank you!