BUILDING AN ADVANCED ENERGY ECOSYSTEM BY NMWL

CONFERENCE AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 14-16, 2026
SANDIA RESORT & CASINO

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM — **Chain Reaction Speed Networking**

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM — **Mix & Mingle Welcome Reception**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM — **Networking Breakfast**

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM — **Opening General Session**
- Keynote Speakers: Melanie Kenderdine and Jane Woodward

9:30 AM - 10:20 AM — **Breakout Sessions**
- New Mexico's Value to the National and Global Market
- Innovations in Water Technology

10:45 AM - 11:35 AM — **Breakout Sessions**
- The Role of Microgrids in the Energy Transition
- Leveraging Geothermal for Critical Mineral Extraction

11:45 AM - 1:30 PM — **Lunch General Session**
- The Honorable Mary Landrieu
- Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham

1:30 PM - 2:20 PM — **Workshop Sessions**
- Proven Strategies for Developing the Energy Workforce
- Community and Tribal Engagement Best Practices
- Utility Business Model Game
- Spotlight on New Mexico's Energy Advantage

2:45 PM - 3:35 PM — **Breakout Sessions**
- Siting and Permitting Considerations for Energy Projects
- The Case for CO_2 Enhanced Oil Recovery

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM — **Breakout Sessions**
- Climate Leadership: The New Mexico Way
- Electrons and Ambition: Fueling New Mexico's AI Infrastructure

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM — **VIP Reception** *(By invitation only)*

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM — **Networking Breakfast**

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM — **Opening General Session**
- Keynote Speaker: Jigar Shah

9:30 AM - 10:20 AM — **Workshop Sessions**
- Implementing New Mexico's Energy Transition: From Policy to Pilot
- Unlocking the Grid: Strategies to Meet Demand Growth in New Mexico
- Utility Business Model Game
- The Loop: Circular Economy Game

10:45 AM - 11:35 AM — **Breakout Sessions**
- Wildfire Technologies
- Quantum and AI for Energy

11:45 AM - 1:30 PM — **Lunch General Session**
- Keynote Panel: Utilities' Approach to the Changing Energy Economy
- Closing Panel: Lessons in Launching Clean Tech Startups

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM — **Women in Energy Networking Roundtable**