

**NASEO-NARUC- NASUCA Central Regional Roundtable:
Equity Considerations in Electricity Planning, Programs, and Policy
September 10-11, 2024
AGENDA**

Meeting objectives:

- Convene and increase connections between state policy makers working on these issues;
- Identify relevant state and regional programmatic, regulatory, and policy challenges and opportunities related to equity;
- Spotlight innovative equity work being done by states;
- Explore equity topics of interest in the region;
- Develop a personal action plan related to a relevant equity issue.

Day 1 – Tuesday, September 10, 2024

8:00 - 9:00 am Breakfast
9:00 - 9:20 am Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missouri Welcome • NASUCA, NARUC, NASEO overview of prior and ongoing work
9:20 - 9:35 am Missouri State Spotlight
9:35 - 10:05 am Participant Introductions Participants introduce themselves and their role in equity related work. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is your state’s policy framework or approach for equity considerations? • Have you applied for or received federal funding? • What key challenge would you like to explore during this event?
10:05 - 11:00 am Foundations of Energy Equity Explore the history and basic concepts of energy equity followed by a facilitated group discussion on definitions and applications.
11:00 - 11:15 am Break and Networking
11:15 - 12:00 pm Tribal and Community Engagement Facilitated discussion on approaches to effective engagement and utilization of input to influence policy and program design and decision making. Will explore unique approaches to reach different communities and application to various utility business models.
12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch - Grant Opportunities and Updates
1:00 - 1:45 pm - Tools and Resources for Design and Evaluation
1:45 - 2:30 pm Equity Considerations in Distribution System Planning Review distribution system planning approaches that incorporate the tenets of equity followed by a facilitated discussion to explore opportunities for application.
2:30 - 3:15 pm Resilience Engage in dialogue about the role of resilience as an equity tool, including examples of policies, programs, and projects that support communities’ basic needs during outages and emergencies.
3:15 - 3:30 pm Break and Networking

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3:30 - 4:15 pm Affordability

Explore programs and policies to reduce energy burden and increase access to energy services for low- to moderate-income households, including increased enrollment in discounted rate programs, deployment of energy efficiency services, effective communication and engagement, and cross-agency coordination.

4:15 - 4:45 pm Deep Dive – Challenges and Needs

Group discussion on navigating barriers to application of equity considerations and potential solutions. Identify the need for resources and other types of support.

4:45 - 5:00 pm Key Takeaways and Preview of Day 2

Participants will share key takeaways from Day 1, which will provide the foundation for Day 2, when attendees will engage in coordinated personal action planning.

5:00 pm Adjourn

6:00 pm Optional No Host dinner at nearby restaurant

Day 2 – Wednesday, September 11, 2024

8:00 - 9:00 am Breakfast

9:00 - 9:30 am Day 1 Recap, Reflections, Overview of Day 2

9:30 - 11:30 am State Action Planning

This will be an opportunity to work with groups of peers in facilitated groups and three-person [consultation groups](#) to define concrete action steps participants will take to further their energy equity work supported by collaboration and sharing of ideas and expertise among attendees. Potential activities/focus areas to include:

- Discussing who the relevant stakeholders are in their state/region and how to effectively engage on specific topics
- Building on strategies that have been shared or used in the past and how they can be improved going forward
- Outlining decisions that the state will be making in the near future and how to actively incorporate equity into their decision making (aligned with state-specific goals and jurisdiction)
- Creating an initial outline for one issue and describing how equity would be incorporated into the initiative

11:30 am- 12:00 noon Report Outs/Group Discussion

12:00 noon Adjourn