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## 2022 NHA ALASKA REGIONAL MEETING

*Ketchikan, Alaska*

August 15, 2022

**Alaska Regional Meeting**

*Ted Ferry Civic Center*

8:00 – 9:00 AM

*Registration Opens and Networking Coffee*

9:00 – 9:10 AM

**Welcome Statement**

Trey Acteson, Chief Executive Officer, Southeast Alaska Power Agency (SEAPA)

9:10 – 9:20 AM

**Opening Remarks & Alaska Power Association Update**

Crystal Enkvist, Executive Director, Alaska Power Association (APA)

9:20 – 9:45 AM

**NHA Washington Update**

Will Pisano, Director of Government Affairs, National Hydropower Association (NHA)

9:45 – 11:00 AM

**Powering Alaska: Implementing Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act**

**Moderator:** Robert Venables, Executive Director, Southeast Conference

Miles Baker, Infrastructure Investment Coordinator, Alaska Office of the Governor

Brian Hickey, Executive Director of Regional Railbelt Coordination

11:00 – 11:30 AM

*Morning Networking Break*

11:30 – 12:30 PM

**Identifying and Addressing the True Barriers to Marine Energy in Alaska**

**Moderator:** Clay Koplun, Chief Executive Officer, Cordova Electric Cooperative

Chris Lee, President, Tidal Energy Corp

Levi Kilcher, Senior Scientist, National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)

Ben Loeffler, University of Alaska-Fairbanks co-Director, Pacific Marine Energy Center

12:30 – 1:30 PM

*Lunch*

**HOST UTILITY:**

1:30 – 2:30 PM

**Project Update Roundtable**

**Moderator:** Trey Acteson, Chief Executive Officer, SEAPA  
*Nuyakuk River Hydroelectric Project*, Robert Himschoot, retired CEO, Nushagak Cooperative  
*Bradley Lake Expansion*, Audrey Alstrom, Director of Alternative Energy and Energy Efficiency Programs, Alaska Energy Authority  
*Grant Lake*, Mike Salzetti, Manager of Fuel Supply & Renewable Development, Homer Electric Association



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**PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS:**

2:30 – 3:30 PM

**Pumped Storage Hydropower: Energy Storage in a Changing Climate**

**Moderator:** Heidi Wahto, Principal, Licensing and Regulatory Lead, Stantec  
Becki Meadows, National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)  
Carl Borgquist, President & CEO, Absaroka Energy  
Jeremy Bynum, Acting Electric Division Manager, Ketchikan Public Utilities



3:30 – 4:00 PM

*Afternoon Networking Break*

4:00 – 4:15 PM

**NHA Announcements**

4:15 – 5:00 PM

**Hot Topics in Alaska**

**Moderator:** Ginger Gillin, Vice President – Principal Environmental Scientist, GEI Consultants  
*Railbelt unification*, Brian Hickey, Executive Director of Regional Railbelt Coordination  
*Providing renewable energy to isolated communities*, Luke Graham and Tom Ravens, Littoral Power

5:00 PM

**Closing Remarks & Meeting Wrap-up**

5:30 – 7:00 PM

**Networking Reception**

*Annabelle's Famous Keg & Chowder House*  
*Located in the Gilmore Hotel*  
*326 Front St., Ketchikan, AK 99901*

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**August 16, 2022**

**Project Tour – Whitman**

Ketchikan, AK

9:30 – 12:30 PM

**Tour of Facility Near Ketchikan**

Ketchikan Public Utilities

**Bus departs from The Landing at 9:30 AM sharp**