

Community Events:

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Wednesday, July 30 at 11am – Thursday, August 7 at 2pm



MINNESOTA E-BIKE REBATE PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR REBATE APPLICANTS

Apply for an Minnesota eBike Rebate covering 75% of eligible expenses, up to \$750. **This year, all eligible entrants will be entered into a lottery** to receive one of an estimated 2,800 rebate certificates. This year, to qualify, applicants must be under a certain income level or have a disability. For details, visit:

<https://www.revenue.state.mn.us/electric-assisted-bicycle-e-bike-rebate>



**GREAT PLAINS
INSTITUTE**

Tuesday, August 5 at 1:00pm

**Building Trust and Building
Lines: Transmission Siting in
the Real World**

Join experts from the Great Plains Institute, DNV, and Americans for a Clean Energy Grid to learn what works—and what doesn't—when it comes to engaging communities, navigating permitting systems, and advancing equitable, durable energy infrastructure. To learn more and/or register for this Zoom webinar, visit:

https://betterenergy.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Yxuhkpz1QNqq_lGm3tGx8A

Wednesday, August 6, 2025 | Noon – 1:00pm CT
**Unpacking the Budget Reconciliation Law's Impacts
On Minnesota's Clean Energy Future**



On July 4, 2025, the federal budget reconciliation bill was signed into law, a move that will have sweeping implications for clean energy and climate progress in the United States. But how will these cuts and changes impact Minnesota's clean energy future?

To learn more and/or register for this free webinar, visit:

<https://fresh-energy.org/event/webinar-unpacking-the-budget-reconciliation-laws-impacts-on-minnesotas-clean-energy-future>

Wednesday, August 13, 2025 | 5:15pm – 8pm CT
MRES Training for Minnesota State Fair Volunteers

See the State Fair article listed on the next page for details.

Thursday, August 14, 2025 | 6pm – 8pm CT
Future of Gas – Public Comment Writing Workshop



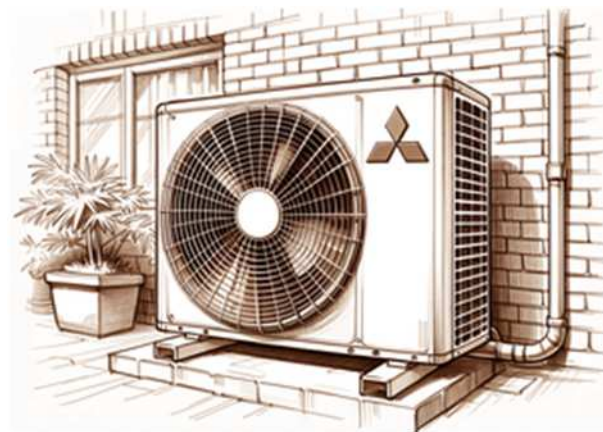
Minnesota's energy regulators are making important decisions about who pays for expanding the gas system and what changes are needed to better align with our state's climate goals.

We can have clean, reliable, locally made energy that prioritizes the health of our communities. Hear about the Future of Gas proceeding at the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, and how to make your voice heard through submitting a public comment. Learn from regulatory experts, have a chance to ask questions about the docket, and submit your comment before you leave.

This event takes place at 3521 E. Lake Street, Minneapolis. Dinner at 6pm, program begins at 6:30pm. To learn more &/or register, visit:

<https://cleanheatmn.org/upcoming-events/>

Wednesday, August 20, 2025 | 7pm – 8pm CT:
Central Minnesota Chapter Meeting: Home Electrification



Join us for a round table discussion featuring chapter members who have undertaken a variety of home electrification projects. Find out the motivation for the change, the details of the projects, and any unexpected issues along the way.

We'll talk costs and financing, as well as the impact of various rebates and incentive programs from federal, state, local and commercial sources. It will be a lot of firsthand knowledge that can help

you undertake your own electrification projects.

The roundtable discussion will follow a moderated format followed by a Q&A session. To register for this Zoom meeting visit:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/2OjNe7q7SS6E8HyVXaUenA>

Thursday, August 21 - Monday, September 1, 2025: Minnesota State Fair – Sign-up to Volunteer!



Help spread the word about renewable energy and electrification!



For the third year in a row, our chapter will help the Minnesota Renewable Energy Society staff renewable energy exhibits in the Eco Experience building at the Minnesota State Fair. This year MRES has added more heat pumps as well as a heat pump diagram.

Members, friends and family members are encouraged to sign up for 1 or more 4 hour shifts. (Sign up early, to get a timeslot that you prefer.) Unlike previous years, it is fine if several members sign up for the same time slot, and/or sign up for an outdoor shift instead of an indoor one.

The State Fair runs from Thursday, August 21, 2025 through Monday, September 1 (Labor Day). Training will be provided from 5:15pm – 8:00pm on Wednesday, August 13 at the Creekside Church in Minneapolis, which was formerly known as Mayflower Church. Training will include a brief update on the electrification incentives from J. Drake Hamilton.



Volunteers will receive a State Fair admission ticket and a volunteer t-shirt.

To learn more, visit: <https://www.mnrenewables.org/eco-experience-mn> and <https://www.mnrenewables.org/eco-experience-volunteers>

To sign-up for a shift, visit:

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/1251408640056>

Saturday, September 6, 2025 ! 10am – 4pm CT
17th Annual Monarch Festival – Festival de la Monarca



Celebrate the monarch butterfly's amazing 2,300 mile migration from Minnesota to Mexico with music, food, dance, hands-on art, native plant sales, and plenty of opportunities to get up close with monarch butterflies, learn about their habitats, and what you can do to make a difference.

Location: 2401 E Minnehaha Pkwy, Minneapolis MN
To learn more, visit: <https://monarchfestival.org/>

Sunday, September 21, 2025: Sun Day



Plans are accelerating for the nationwide pro-renewable energy **Sun Day** event, with a goal of instigating legal and societal shifts to accelerate clean energy deployment across America! Proposed by Bill McKibben, it hopes to capture the energy of the first Earth Day.

It will happen on the weekend of the autumnal equinox. It will be a celebration of the fact that we can now run this world without fossil fuels: imagine EV and e-bike parades, green lights in the window of every solar-powered home, big concerts and rallies, joyful ceremonies as

new solar farms and wind turbines go on line. It's going to happen around the world. It's going to demand justice—above all, that we figure out how to finance this revolution around the world, so the people who need it most can take full part. And it's going to be beautiful. Host or attend an event!

To learn more, visit: <https://www.sunday.earth/>



Sunday, September 21, 2025
from 10am – 4pm CT
Twin Cities Veg Fest

The festival will be held at Harriet Island Park in St. Paul, Minnesota. Over 5,000 people

attended in 2024 and this year will be even bigger! Our chapter will be tabling at the event. If you are interested in helping, contact Jason & crew at info@climaterealitymsp.com . Watch for further details at <https://tcvegfest.com/> .

**Thursday, October 30, 2025 | 5:30pm – 8:30pm CT:
Mission Impossible – An Evening of Climate Action**



Join Sustainable Stillwater for an evening of climate action featuring guest speaker Dr. Jonathan Foley – world-renowned environmental scientist and Executive Director of Project Drawdown.

Connect with others, celebrate local sustainability leaders, enjoy delicious food and drink, explore real-world climate solutions, and take part in a silent auction to support a thriving, sustainable future for Stillwater!

Location: JX Venue, 123 2nd St S, Stillwater, MN 55082

Tickets:

\$95 Individual

\$760 Table of 8

\$950 Table of 10

This inspiring evening is Sustainable Stillwater's fourth annual—and sole—fundraiser of

the year, and it's more than just a fundraising event. It's a celebration of climate solutions, community resilience, and the collective action driving change in the St. Croix Valley. For further details and to purchase tickets, visit:

<https://www.sustainablestillwatermn.org/gala-2025>