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Agenda

- ▶ Legislative Update
- ▶ DOE Updates & 2020 Planning
- ▶ Winter Conference Preparations
- ▶ Open Discussion

Legislative Updates

Appropriations

- ▶ Congress released a spending package late December made up of "minibus" bills which finalize 2020 funding amounts
- ▶ House and Senate passed, Trump signed into law on December 20th
- ▶ **WAP- \$308.5 million**
 - ▶ This is an increase of \$51.5 million over FY 2019
 - ▶ \$3.5 million is specifically reserved for Training and Technical Assistance at DOE Headquarters; this is an increase of \$500,000 over FY 2019.
- ▶ **State Energy Program (SEP)- \$62.5 million**
 - ▶ This is an increase of \$7.5 million over FY 2019.

Read the full text of the Energy and Water bill [here](#).

Legislative Updates

Appropriations

- ▶ **Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)- \$740 million**
 - ▶ This is an increase of \$15 million over FY 2019.
- ▶ **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)- \$3.74 billion**
 - ▶ This is an increase of \$50 million over FY 2019.
- ▶ **Head Start- \$10.6 billion**
 - ▶ This is a increase of \$550 million over FY 2019.

Read the full text of the Labor-HHS bill [here](#).

Legislative Updates

Reauthorization

- ▶ House and Senate energy committees each passed a version of reauthorization
 - ▶ Vote before full House & Senate won't happen this year. Sometime next year.
 - ▶ NASCSP planning strategy for 2020
- ▶ 116th Congress lasts until Jan. 2021
 - ▶ Both bills could move forward next year without being reintroduced

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Murkowski eyes post-impeachment energy deal

George Cahlink and Jeremy Dillon, E&E News reporters •
E&E Daily: Wednesday, January 8, 2020



Legislative Updates

CLEAN Future Act

- ▶ Outline/Discussion draft released last week by Rep. Paul Tonko, Rep. Frank Pallone, & Rep. Bobby Rush
- ▶ 100% clean economy by 2050
 - ▶ Aims to eliminate carbon emissions from power, transportation, and manufacturing
- ▶ “The CLEAN Future Act incorporates several additional measures to reduce building emissions, including reauthorizing and expanding the Weatherization Assistance Program; improving energy efficiency in public buildings, including through the use of energy savings performance contracts and a newly established Federal Smart Building Program; reauthorizing and modernizing the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program to promote the use of alternative fuels, including electricity; establishing a smart energy and water efficiency management grant program; and improving energy efficiency in public schools, federally-owned data centers, and buildings owned by nonprofit organizations.”



Legislative Updates

CLEAN Future Act

- ▶ “The CLEAN Future Act also expands access to clean energy throughout the United States. The bill establishes loan and technical assistance grant programs within DOE to deploy distributed energy systems that increase the use of clean energy, improve grid resiliency and reliability, and enhance demand-side management. In addition, the Act creates a loan and grant program to install solar panels in low-income communities; introduces a long-term power purchase agreement (PPA) model for zero-emissions technologies; establishes a PPA pilot program for advanced nuclear technology; provides incentives for efficiency improvements at hydroelectric facilities; improves the hydroelectric licensing process; and reauthorizes the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 (LIHEAP).”

Legislative Updates

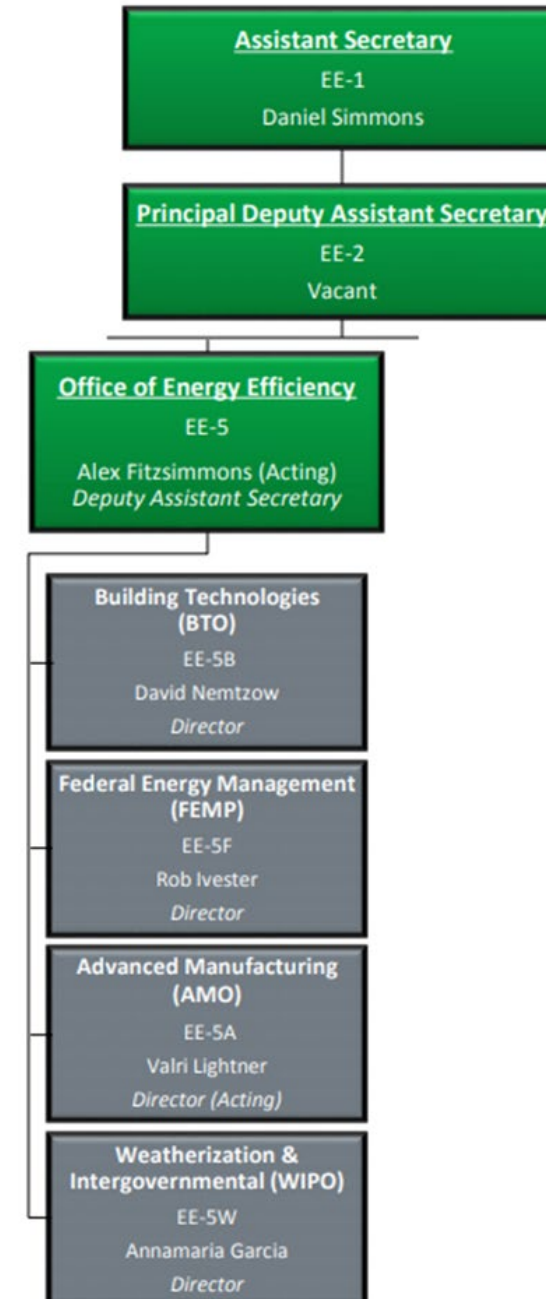
CLEAN Future Act

- ▶ “The transition to a clean economy will require a skilled and diverse clean energy workforce. To that end, the CLEAN Future Act incorporates the Blue Collar to Green Collar Jobs Development Act of 2019, introduced by Rep. Bobby Rush (D-IL). Among other measures, the bill establishes the Office of Economic Impact, Diversity, and Employment within DOE and directs the Secretary of Energy to establish and implement an energy workforce development program. It further requires the Secretary of Energy to provide direct financial and technical assistance to educational institutions, local workforce development boards, state workforce development boards, non-profit organizations, labor organizations, and apprenticeship programs.”

DOE Updates

DOE Staffing & Leadership

- ▶ Interviews held for Project Officer positions
- ▶ Alex Fitzsimmons to attend Winter Conference



Sustainable Energy Resources for Consumers (SERC)

DOE may make grants available to local weatherization agencies...to expand the weatherization assistance program for residential buildings to include materials, benefits, and renewable and domestic energy technologies not covered by the program...

[42 U.S.C. Chapter 81 §6872. Authorization of appropriations](#)

- ▶ ***\$275 Million Trigger - up to 2% of funds***
- ▶ Past Projects: Heat pump water heaters, solar hot water systems, solar photovoltaics, in-home energy monitors, community-based social marketing, geothermal heating and cooling, clothes washers, bulk purchasing networks
- ▶ 2017 ORNL Assessment

WPN 20-1: PY 2020 Grant Application

- ▶ Reminder email sent Monday 1/13 with Assessment Tool
 - ▶ Due Dates: February 10, 2020 and May 1, 2020
- ▶ Budget - Use WPN 19-2 Allocations
 - ▶ Carryover is allowed into 2020 (See WAP [Memo 55](#))
- ▶ PAGE glitch - Section V.4 Climatic Conditions missing
 - ▶ Will be corrected, in interim follow section titles in PAGE

DOE Project Officers

Available on Member Portal [WAP Monitoring Tools](#) page

DOE P&M Project Officers October 2019

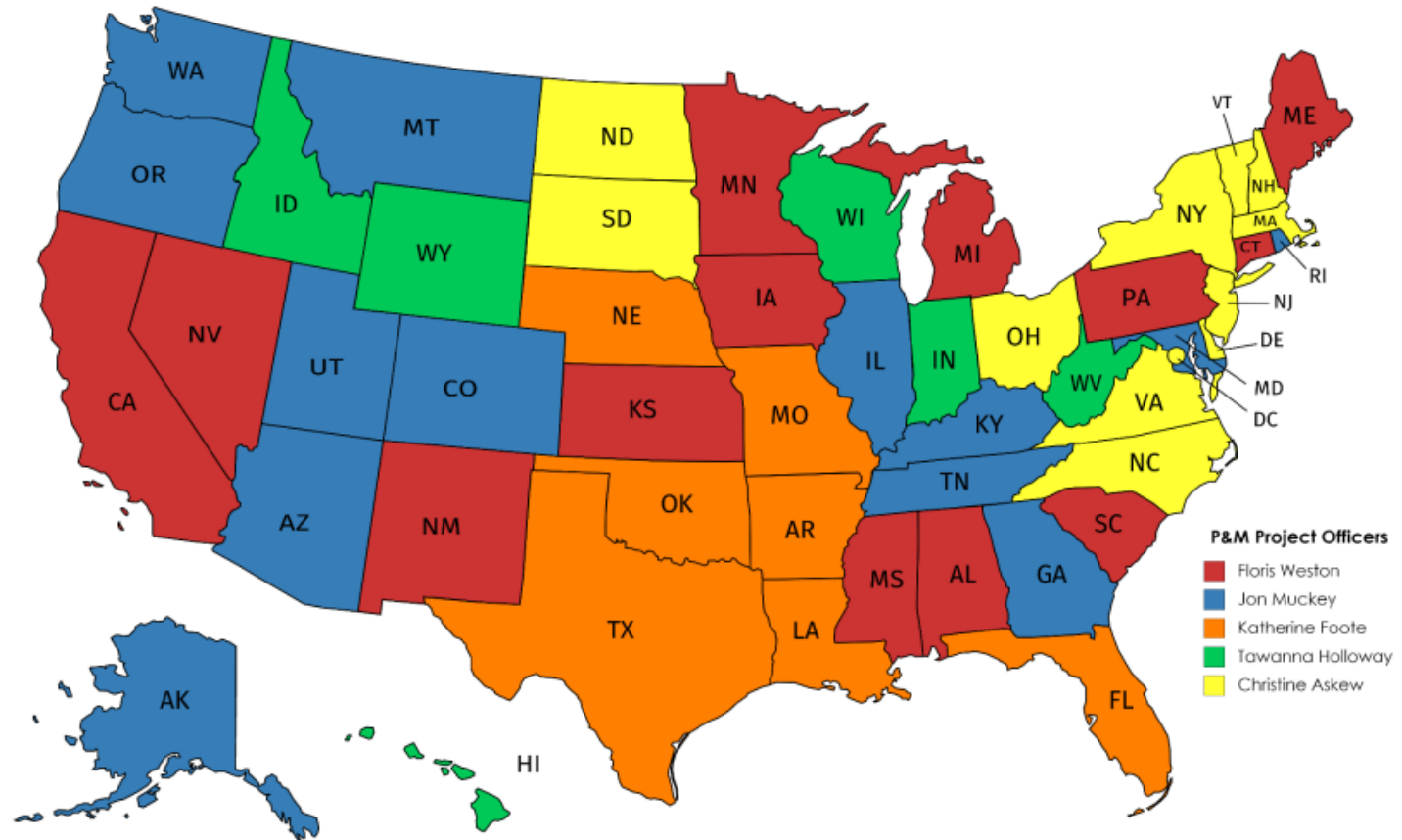
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Yellow: Christine Askew



2020 Planning - NASCSP Peer-to-peer

Is your State/Territory planning new initiatives or innovative projects for 2020 or beyond (new technologies like solar and air source heat pumps, multi-family weatherization, pilot projects, etc.)? If yes please briefly describe.


Do you plan to utilize the leveraging budget cost category in 2020?

2020 Planning - NASCSP Peer-to-peer

What percentage of total funds (DOE + LIHEAP + Other) did your state/territory allocate to T&TA in 2019?

- ▶ Of that T&TA percentage, what amount was allocated to local WAP agencies (vs. used by the Grantee)?
- ▶ Do you plan to adjust these percentages in 2020?

Does your state use T&TA funds for activities other than monitoring or T&TA provided to Grantee and Subgrantee staff (e.g., program evaluations, client education, pilot studies, research)? If yes, please briefly describe those activities.

A nighttime aerial photograph of the U.S. Capitol building in Washington, D.C. The building is illuminated from within, and its iconic dome is a central feature. The surrounding area, including the grounds and nearby city buildings, is covered in a layer of snow. The sky is dark, and the city lights provide a warm glow against the cold scene.

2020 Winter Training Conference

Meet us in Arlington, VA | February 24-28, 2020

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Conference Overview

- ▶ Dates & Location: February 24-28, 2020 at the [Crystal Gateway Marriott](#), Arlington, VA
- ▶ Registration & Draft Agendas [now available](#)
- ▶ DOE [WAP Memo 57](#): Allowable use of TTA
- ▶ Pre-Conference Offerings Monday & Tuesday
 - ▶ WAP Orientation (2 days)
 - ▶ Pre-orientation webinar February 13, 2pm EST
 - ▶ Legal Considerations for State Administrators (Tuesday)

Core Conference - Tentative Agenda

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
General Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Opening Session- Federal Partner Update- National Poverty Expert	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- National Partner Update- Joint CSBG/WAP Plenary	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Closing Session
WAP Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Planning and Action- WAP Topic TBD- Technical Issues and Peer Exchange in WAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Federal Perspective (x3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Workforce Development- LIHEAP Coordination and National Partner Update (NEADA)
Other	Vendors - CAP Solar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- PO Breakfast- Awards Lunch	Wrap up and raffle
Evening	Board Meeting with NEADA & NEUAC	Networking Reception	n/a - adjourn at Noon

Member Planning and Action Session

Wednesday February 26, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Tentative Topics:

- ▶ ACSI Work Group Summary & Discussion
- ▶ NASCSP Strategic Plan: Our Goals for 2020 - 2023
- ▶ Other topics?

Questions for DOE - Federal Partner and Federal Perspective Sessions

- ▶ Appropriations, SERC and HUD coordination
- ▶ Update on deferrals research
- ▶ Radon and vermiculite study updates
- ▶ WAP monitoring guidance (WPN 16-4)
- ▶ Clarification on what constitutes a DOE completion
- ▶ Other topics or questions?

Open Discussion



Future Regional Calls

- ▶ NASCSP is moving to a bi-monthly Regional Call Schedule in 2020.
 - ▶ January 14th & 16th
 - ▶ March 10th & 12th
 - ▶ May 12th & 14th
 - ▶ July 14th & 16th
 - ▶ September 8th & 10th
 - ▶ November 10th & 12th

Thanks for attending!



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