



Agenda

Community Energy Programs: Watts Going On?

Wednesday, May 20 10 a.m. - noon

Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG)

1290 Broadway, Independence Pass Conference Room, First Floor

Meeting Objectives:

- Learn about opportunities for creating energy-efficiency programs
- Highlight communities' energy-efficiency programs that serve as models
- Hear about utilities and communities forming partnerships to create effective energy-efficiency programs and meet energy demands created by development

10-10:15 Welcome and Introductions

Anna Garcia, Regional Planner, Denver Regional Council of Governments

Paul Aldretti, Sustainable Communities Coordinator, Denver Regional Council of Governments

10:15-11:15 Guest Speaker Panel

Ann Livingston, Program Manager, Southwest Energy Efficiency Project (SWEET)

Katy Bigner, Environmental Planner and Project Coordinator, City of Fort Collins

Jessica Prosser, AICP, Sustainability Coordinator, City of Arvada

Robert Osborn, Director, Community Relations, Xcel Energy

11:15-11:55 Discussion

11:55-noon Wrap-up and Next Steps



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Speaker Biographies

Ann Livingston

Program Manager, Southwest Energy Efficiency Project (SWEEP)

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Ann Livingston is program manager for state and local engagement with the Southwest Energy Efficiency Project (SWEEP). Ann has extensive experience in policy, planning, and program work in energy, green building, and sustainability. For over 14 years she has worked on a wide range of related issues, including energy efficiency, renewable energy, green buildings, climate change, transportation, community development, land use, zero waste, finance, toxics, water, economic development, and healthy communities. She earned both a Juris Doctorate and an Interdisciplinary Graduate Certificate in Environment, Policy and Society from the University of Colorado.

She also served as Boulder County's first sustainability coordinator where she led numerous collaborative efforts with the public sector, electric and gas utilities, non-profits, and the private sector. She led efforts to develop and implement the ClimateSmart Loan Program, which led to over \$11 million in investments in energy improvements. Ann was named as a Person of the Year by the *Boulder Weekly* (2009), Sustainability Champion (Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, 2010), and Forty Under Forty by the *Boulder County Business Report* (2010).

Katy Bigner

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Katy Bigner is an environmental planner with the City of Fort Collins Utilities and Sustainability Services. Katy has worked for the city since 2006, focusing on projects that advance innovation, collaboration and strategic long-term planning. She coordinates the FortZED initiative, the community's participation in the Georgetown University Energy Prize, and also assists in climate adaptation planning. Katy grew up in Fort Collins, attended CSU and received a master's degree in environmental policy from Bard College in New York.

Jessica Prosser, AICP

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Jessica Prosser, AICP, is the sustainability coordinator for the City of Arvada, responsible for implementing policies and programs related to sustainability throughout the community. She also manages special projects for the city manager's office. Previously, Jessica worked in the planning division for the City of Arvada and organized environmental education at the University of Arizona. She has a bachelor's degree in geography from the University of Arizona and a master's in urban and regional planning from the University of Colorado.





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Robert Osborn

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Rob Osborn is the director of community relations for Public Service Company of Colorado (PSCo), an operating company of Xcel Energy. Rob manages all of PSCo's local community and governmental relations programs and relationships in Colorado. Under Rob's direction, the community relations team also serves as Xcel Energy's conduit for planning and partnerships related to local community sustainability programs. Rob actively pursues expanding PSCo's engagement with economic development, industry organizations, chamber organizations and municipal governments assisting with community outreach, business development, and municipal policy.

Rob is an attorney admitted in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, and a civil engineer. Rob has 9 years of real estate and land development experience providing entitlement and financial structuring with public- private partnerships and municipal authorities. Before joining Xcel Energy, Rob managed two economic development corporations, one in Colorado and one in Allentown, Pennsylvania, practiced real estate law in Pennsylvania, and was a construction project manager with both municipal and private organizations.

