Listening Session: How do we prepare for ND's version of Stargate?

Agenda
February 20, 2025
In-person: Bavendick Stateroom, NECE Building, BSC Campus
1200 Schafer St, Bismarck, ND 58501
[Online Viewer Link](#)

11:30   Lunch is served

12:00 – 12:20   Introduction and opening remarks (approx. 5 minutes each):

- Mark Hagerott, NDUS Chancellor

- Andy Armacost, UND President

- Alan LaFave, VCSU President

- Rod Flanigan, NDSCS President

12:20 – 12:30   Opening Comments from Energy Industry (approx. 10 minutes)

- Shawn Paschke, Xcel Energy

- Dana Hager, Manager of Communications, Basin Electric

- Ron Ness, President, ND Petroleum Council

12:30 – 12:40   Opening Comments from Data Center Industry (approx. 10 minutes)

- Troy Walker, Director of Sales and Marketing, Dakota Carrier Network

- Terry Effertz, Executive Director of TechND and Data Center Coalition of ND

- Kayla Pulvermacher, Government Relations for ND, MIDCO

12:40 – 12:50   Opening Comments from Business Innovation Community (approx. 10 minutes)

- Rick Geloff, Bank of North Dakota

- Todd Pringle, Engineer, Deere and Co.; ED of the DDA

- Aaron Mooney, founder of Tugboat, a North Dakota startup in the insurance space. Tugboat is a portfolio company of Gener8tor ND, 1889, Pathway Ventures and they have participated in the ND Development Fund Angel Match Program.

12:50 – 1:30   Open Dialogue