

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 <u>Online Viewer Link</u>

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

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