



# **Bioeconomy Regional Forum Series**

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- ▶ **Purpose**: Engage stakeholders on how to build and grow the “Billion Ton Bioeconomy”
- ▶ **Goal**: In partnership with U.S. Department of Agriculture and Department of Energy, bring together a mix of stakeholders from six industry sectors to seek their input, relative to the initiative’s vision, strategies, and implementation.



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- ▶ **Co-host 3 to 5 regional forums, each with 40-60 attendees representing 6 sectors:**
  - ▶ (1) industry;
  - ▶ (2) state and local government;
  - ▶ (3) economic and workforce development;
  - ▶ (4) investment & finance;
  - ▶ (5) academia; and
  - ▶ (6) agricultural and environmental organizations.
- ▶ **To be convened August – November 2016**
  - ▶ Garner input on vision, strategy, and implementation of multi-year initiative
  - ▶ Compile comprehensive report of key comments and issues.

# **Sample Agenda**

***“Garnering stakeholder perspectives and input to help shape the vision, strategic planning, and implementation to promote and expand the billion-ton bioeconomy”***

- ▶ **9 AM Welcome and introductory remarks**
  - ▶ Wes Jurey, Chairman, ATIP Foundation
  - ▶ TBD, USDA
  - ▶ TBD, DOE
  - ▶ TBD, State Host
- ▶ **9:30 Overview of “Federal Activities Report on the Bioeconomy” (Feb. 2016) and “Bioeconomy Challenges and Opportunities (July 2016 (1 hr.)**
  - ▶ Presentations by USDA and DOE
  - ▶ Questions and topics for attendees
- ▶ **10:30 Breakout sessions consisting of the 6 representative sectors (number determined by total audience size; working lunch)**
- ▶ 12:30 Break
- ▶ **1:00 Reconvene to report out on key comments, findings, and recommendation of the 6 sectors**
- ▶ **Next Steps (timeline to review, combine, prepare /disseminate report) / feedback on session format**
- ▶ **3:30 Closing remarks / Adjournment**

## **Proposed Forum Locations** *(Pending)*

- ▶ **Western Region:** Washington (co-host), Oregon, California, Idaho, Montana
- ▶ **Midwest:** Iowa (co-host) , Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois
- ▶ **Southcentral:** Texas (co-host), Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kansas
- ▶ **Southeast:** Florida / Georgia (co-host), South Carolina, North Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana
- ▶ **Northeast:** Maine (co-host) New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, Pennsylvania