



**2018 Midwest Hydro Users Group
And National Hydropower Association
Midwest Meeting**
Ludington, Michigan
October 10 - 11, 2018



Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, October 10

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **MHUG Owners' Meeting & Lunch-** *Graystone Event Center – Grand Ballroom*
Moderators: Josh Petersen, Dakota County and Amanda Blank, Alliant Energy
Must be owner/operator of hydro facility to attend

1:00– 2:00 p.m. **Consumers Energy Ludington Pump Storage Video and Presentation -**
Graystone Event Center - Grand Ballroom

2:00 - 5:00 p.m. **Consumers Energy Ludington Pump Storage Tour**
Buses departing at 2:00 p.m. sharp.

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. *Welcome Networking Reception - Graystone Event Center – East Ballroom*
All attendees are invited for a hosted bar of wine and beer.

Dinner on your own

Thursday, October 11 - MHUG and NHA General Meeting - Graystone Event Center - Grand Ballroom

8:00 - 8:30 a.m. *Registration and Networking Breakfast*

8:30 - 8:45 a.m. **Welcome and Meeting Overview Presentation & Introductions**
Speakers: Shawn Puzen, Mead & Hunt
LeRoy Coleman, National Hydropower Association

8:45 - 9:05 a.m. **Washington Update -** LeRoy Coleman, National Hydropower Association

9:05 – 9:15 a.m. **Women in Hydropower- Mentorship Program -** Nora Rosemore, Minnesota Power

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. **Dam Safety and Compliance Q/A w/FERC –** John Zygaj, FERC-CRO

10:15 – 10:45 a.m. *Morning Break*

10:45 a.m. – 12:25 p.m. *Lightning Speakers*

10:45 – 11:05 a.m. **Update on RIDM Process at Alcona -** Adam Monroe, Consumers Energy

11:05 – 11:25 a.m. **DOE R&D Update-** Sam Bockenbauer, US Department of Energy

11:25 - 11:45 a.m. **Kilbourn Trash Rake Replacement Project -** Sandy Froeschner, Alliant Energy

11:45 – 12:05 p.m. **USACE Steel Structure Design Code -** Jeff Anderson, Mead & Hunt

12:05 – 12:25 a.m. **OpEx Update -** Jim Miller, Signal Hydropower Consultants

12:25–1:25 p.m. *Networking Lunch*

1:25 – 1:45 p.m. **MHUG Board Election Results & Committee/Business Reorganization and
Introduction of New Committee Structure -** Jae Houtman, WPS

- 1:45 - 2:00 p.m. **Michigan Department of Natural Resources Role in Hydropower Licensing and Compliance** - Elle Gulotty, MDNR
- 2:00 – 2:30 p.m. **Hydro Communications and Strategy**- LeRoy Coleman, National Hydropower Association
- 2:30 - 3:00 p.m. *Afternoon Break***
- 3:00 – 3:45 p.m. **Ludington Reservoir Liner Trench Repair**–Robert Cannon, Schnabel Engineering
- 3:45 – 4:25 p.m. **Hot Topics – Free Exchange of Q/A and Topics for Meetings**
Moderators: Ellen Faulkner, Ayres Associates
 Jae Houtman, Wisconsin Public Service
- 4:25 - 4:30 p.m. **Closing Remarks** - Shawn Puzen, Mead & Hunt

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