



## **WDEA Annual Meeting**

**November 1-2, 2017**

**Ramada Grand Dakota Lodge, Dickinson**

### **Wednesday, November 1**

4:00 MDT Registration Opens  
5:30 - 7:30 Opening Social and Exhibits  
6:30 Remarks from the Governor's Office – Lt. Gov. Brent Sanford  
Presentation by Cal Klewin, Theodore Roosevelt Expressway Association

### **Thursday, November 2**

7:30 - 8:30 Continental breakfast – Rolls, fruit, coffee, juice, etc.  
8:30 Call to Order, Welcome Remarks – WDEA President Daryl Dukart  
8:35 Welcome to Dickinson – Mayor Scott Decker  
Welcome to Stark County – Commission Chairman Jay Elkin  
8:45 ND Pipeline Authority ReFrac Study – Justin Kringstad  
9:00 Re-Fracs and Optimizing Oil Recovery – Jeff Parker, Marathon Oil; Charles Ohlson, Whiting Petroleum; and Charles Gorecki, EERC – Panel Moderated by Justin Kringstad  
9:35 Lignite Research Update – Dr. Mike Holmes  
9:55 Dakota Gasification Company Urea Project update – Steven Liebelt  
10:10 Networking Break  
10:25 ND Public Service Commission update – PSC Commissioner Julie Fedorchak  
10:40 NDDOT/NDLTAP – GRIT System, Road Needs Assessment – Brad Wentz and Alan Dybing  
11:10 Education Funding Panel – Senator Don Schaible; Senator David Rust; Alexander Supt. Leslie Bieber – Moderated by Dr. Steve Holen, WDEA Executive Committee member and past WDEA President  
11:40 Legislative Interim Report – Senator Rich Wardner  
Noon Lunch, Prayer – Geoff Simon  
Co-Keynotes – Mark Fox, Chairman of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation – Dr. Thomas Mitzel, President, Dickinson State University  
1:15 LoadPass Permits update – Janet Sanford, System Operator; and Brent Bogar, Jadestone Consulting  
1:35 Department of Mineral Resources and County Update – Lynn Helms  
2:15 Annual Business meeting  
- Treasurer's Report  
- County/City/School Committee Meetings  
- Election of Officers  
3:00 Adjourn