

# IVES 2019

## IMPERIAL VALLEY ENERGY SUMMIT

### 12th Annual Conference

April 24-26, 2019

Water | Clean Energy | Minerals | Modern Agriculture | Technology



**Hosted by IMPERIAL VALLEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

### Day 1 – Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>


10:00am Registration

Networking

11:30pm Welcoming Remarks Deborah McGarrey  
*IVEDC Board Chair*

12:00pm Opening Speaker Jonathan Weisgall  
*Berkshire Hathaway Energy*

1:00pm – 2:30pm **Panel: Imperial Valley’s Natural Resources The Promise of Opportunity: Past, Present and Future** Auditorium



- Moderator: Laura McDonald, Sunrise Strategies Group
- Andy Horne, County of Imperial
- John Lormon, Procopio
- Cody Hill, LS Power
- Jason Minalga, ITC Holdings Corporation
- Jamie Asbury, IID

2:30pm – 2:45pm Break

2:45pm – 3:15pm Breakout Sessions

**Southern California Energy Innovation Network: Breakthrough Energy Technologies Bringing Economic Opportunities to Imperial Valley** Room #2733

Marty Turock, Cleantech San Diego  
John McMillan, San Diego State University  
Ned McMahan, PrimoWind  
Jonathan Knight, Uprise Energy

**Imperial Valley College: Preparing the Local Workforce for Leading Industries**

Dr. Michael Kanyi, Imperial Valley College  
Jose Roman, Imperial Valley College

Room #2735

**Access to Workforce in the Imperial Valley**

Priscilla Lopez, IC Workforce Development Board

Room #2732

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3:15pm – 4:45pm



**Panel: Modern Agriculture: New Crops, Manufacturing and Technologies**

- Moderator: Steve Benson, Benson Farms
- Gabriel Youtsey, University of California, Agriculture and Natural Resources
- Rob Brown, PhD, Synthetic Genomics
- Jerry Feitelson, Agribody Tech
- Wayne Richman, California Hemp Association

Auditorium

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4:45pm – 5:00pm

Break

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5:00pm – 5:30pm

Breakout Sessions

**Industrial Hemp**

Wayne Richman, California Hemp Association

Room #2733

**Algae & Bio-fuels**

Dr. Rob Brown, Synthetic Genomics

Room #2732

**How to Start a Business in Imperial Valley**

Meredith Garcia, Imperial Valley Small Business Development Center

Room #2735

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5:30pm

Press Conference

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6:30pm

Welcome Reception  
Sponsored by IID

**Day 2 – Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**

7:30am	Registration	
8:00am	Welcoming Remarks	Deborah McGarrey <i>IVEDC Board Chair</i>
8:30am – 10:00am	 <p><b>Panel: Communications, Technology and Digital Inclusion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderator: Buz Schott, Charter Communications</li> <li>• Matt Rantanen, Tribal Digital Village</li> <li>• Teri Sanders, Imperial County Office of Education</li> <li>• Philip Deneef, GeoLinks</li> <li>• Antonio Romayor, Jr., El Centro Elementary School District</li> </ul>	Auditorium
9:00am – 10:00am	<p><b>Workshop: Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD)</b> Hosted by Southern California Association of Governments</p>	Room # 2737
10:00am – 12:00pm	<b>Salton Sea Authority Board Meeting</b>	Planetarium
10:00am – 10:15am	Break	
10:15am – 10:45am	Breakout Sessions	
	<p><b>Broadband Connectivity</b> Philip Deneef, GeoLinks</p>	Room #2733
	<p><b>IID Water</b> Mike Pacheco, Imperial Irrigation District</p>	Room #2732
	<p><b>Permitting in Imperial County</b></p>	Room #2735
10:45am – 12:15pm	 <p><b>Panel: Whiskey Is for Drinking; Water Is for Fighting Over</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderator: Tom Dubose, Dubose Design Group</li> <li>• Charles DuMars, Law and Resource Planning Associates</li> <li>• Kevin Kelley, Imperial Irrigation District</li> <li>• Adam Davis, Ecosystem Investment Partners</li> <li>• Genevieve Johnson, Bureau of Reclamation</li> </ul>	Auditorium

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12:15pm	<b>Lunch</b> Featuring Keynote Speaker	Commissioner Karen Douglas <i>California Energy Commission</i>
1:45pm – 3:15pm	 <b>Panel: Geothermal Tomorrow: New Developments and Mineral Extraction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Moderator: Charlene Wardlow, CA Dept. of Conservation</li><li>• Vince Signorotti, EnergySource</li><li>• Rod Colwell, Controlled Thermal Resources</li><li>• Angelina Galiteva, California ISO Board of Governors</li><li>• Bruce Wilcox, Salton Sea Policy</li><li>• Dr. Will Pettitt, Geothermal Resource Council</li></ul>	Auditorium
3:15pm – 3:30pm	Break	
3:30pm – 4:00pm	Breakout Sessions	
	<b>Mineral Extraction &amp; Energy from Geothermal Brine</b> Jason Czapla, PhD, Controlled Thermal Resources	Room #2733
	<b>IID Energy</b> Tony Allegranza, Imperial Irrigation District	Room #2732
	<b>Foreign Trade Zone</b> David Harlow, Imperial Valley Foreign Trade Zone Joint Power of Authority (IVFTZ JPA)	Room #2735
4:00pm – 5:30pm	 <b>Panel: The State of Energy: How Policy Affects Industry</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Moderator: Phil Rosentrater, Salton Sea Authority</li><li>• Supervisor Ryan Kelley, Chair, Imperial County Board</li><li>• V. John White, CEERT</li><li>• Tomas Oliva, Rep. Juan Vargas, 51<sup>st</sup> District</li><li>• Carl Stills, 8minuteenergy</li></ul>	Auditorium
5:30pm	Program Ends	
6:00pm	Reception	Pioneers Museum

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7:00pm	Banquet Dinner Dr. Lennor Johnson, IVC Featuring Keynote Speaker	Hector Castro Vizcarra Non-Resident Senior Fellow, Mexico
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### Day 3 – Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

8:00am	<b>Procurement Matching</b> <i>One on One: Meetings with County, Imperial Irrigation District, Government and Private Sector Companies</i>
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9:00am – 1:00pm	<b>Tours (only those pre-registered)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Imperial Irrigation District – <i>Drop 2, Battery Energy Storage System, El Centro Generating Station</i></li></ul>
10:00am – 1:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>EnergySource – <i>Plant, Turbine Deck, Control Room</i></li></ul>

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1:00pm	Lunch (not provided)
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1:30pm	Golf Outing	Del Rio Country Club
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5:30pm	Program Ends
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