



2010 MEDA Fall Conference
Energizing Montana's Economy

September 14th – 15th, 2010
[Copper King Hotel, Butte, MT](#)
4655 Harrison Avenue



Thanks to our sponsors:

Tuesday, September 14th

1:00pm – 1:30pm Registration and Meet-n-Greet. Enjoy beverages and fingerfoods as attendees arrive.

1:30 - 1:45pm Welcome and Introductions

1:45 – 2:35pm Update from the Governor's Office of Economic Development
Chief Business Officer, Evan Barrett, GOED

2:35 – 2:55pm Update from Dore Schwinden, Director, MT Dept. of Commerce

2:55 – 3:10pm EDA Grant Application Update, John Rogers

3:10 - 3:20pm Break

3:20 – 4:15pm Legislative Discussion – MEDA's Membership to Discuss Legislative Issues and Agenda Items. Rick Edwards, Chair. Also learn of Legislative Agendas from Webb Brown, Montana Chamber, Montana Chamber; Harold Blattie, MACo; and the League of Cities and Towns.

4:15 – 4:30pm SBA Program Update, Michelle Johnston, State Director, SBA

4:30 – 4:40pm Prepare for Our Lady of the Rockies departure

4:40pm Depart for Our Lady of the Rockies

Load the bus (sorry, no individual cars allowed on the tour up the mountain) to enjoy the view and a traditional pasty dinner at Our Lady of the Rockies.

Wednesday, September 15th

Network while enjoying breakfast provided by the Copper King Hotel.

8:30 – 8:45am Congressional Greetings

8:45 – 9:15am Keynote: Energy Projects and MEDA's Role
Presenter: Rick Edwards, Director of Key Accounts and Customer Education,
NorthWestern Energy

9:15 – 10:30am Putting an Energy Project Together: Mill Creek
Panelists will share how the Mill Creek Project came to fruition.
Facilitator: Rick Edwards. Panelists: John Fitzpatrick, NorthWestern Energy, Director of
Government Affairs; Becky Guay, Chief Executive, Anaconda Deer Lodge County;
Connie Ternes-Daniels, ADLC Planner, Jim Davison, Director, ALDC and Headwaters
RC&D.

10:30 – 10:45am Break

10:45 – Noon MEDA's Role in Ongoing Issues – Membership Activities

- Reformation of Working Groups
- 2010 Montana Economic Summit Followup
- Open Discussion

Noon Closing

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Rick Edwards, Chair; Jim Davison, Warren Harden and Jim Smitham

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