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Rural Seminar and Strategy Session on Federal Economic Development Policy

Where does Rural Montana fit in the Urban-centric World of Washington DC?

[REGISTER TODAY](#) to take part this important seminar. Learn of trends that are emerging that could change funding opportunities for rural Montana. Join attendees in formulating a strategy and action plan to address these issues.

Thanks to Montana-Dakota Utilities for sponsoring our luncheon.

- **Date:** October 26, 2010
- **Location:** MSU-Billings, Downtown Campus, Broadway III-A, 2804 Third Ave. North, Billings, MT
- **Lodging:** [Best Western ClockTower Inn](#), 2511 1st Ave. North. Ask for the MEDA Block to receive the \$80 room rate. Dial 406.259.5511 to make your reservations. **Rooms are being held until October 18th.**
- **Parking:** If you are staying at the ClockTower Inn you can leave your car and walk a few blocks to the seminar location at 2804 Third Ave. North, Room Broadway III-A. Or, Parking Garage 1 is about a block away. Level 2 and the roof top are hourly parking. Guests can park in any spot that does not say reserved on it.
- **Cost:** Free

9:00- 9:15am	Welcome and Introductions , MEDA President Jim Davison
9:15 – 10:30	An Overview of Federal Policy Dynamics, Definitions and Funding for Rural States and Places Chuck Fluharty, President, Rural Policy Research Institute (RUPRI)
10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45 – Noon	Federal Policy Directions in Economic Development and Sustainable Communities Matt Chase, Executive Director, National Association of Development Organizations (NADO)
Noon	Working Lunch – Sponsored by MDU
12:30 – 2:30pm	Strategy Session: Mobilize Rural States and Places for the Future
2:30pm	Wrap up and Closing