



*National Association of  
State Energy Officials*

# NASEO Monthly Buildings Committee Meeting

March 22, 2023

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# Agenda

- NASEO Updates
- Relevant DOE updates
- Roundtable Member Exchange with Framing Questions (interactive)
- State priorities for NASEO Building Committee (interactive)





# NASEO Updates

## New Resources:

- Federal Funding Tracker for Buildings (March 2023)
- Opportunities for Equity-Focused Building Energy Code Activities (March 2023, to be published)
- NASEO RFI for Vendor Implementation of Home Energy and Electrification Rebates (March 2023, to be released)

## Upcoming NASEO Events:

- Regional Meetings (May – June 2023)
- Developing the High-Efficiency Electric Home Rebate Program: March 30, 2023, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. ET –Discussion-Oriented Call (states only)
- NASEO Buildings Committee Call: April 19, 2023, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. ET
- NASEO Energy Equity Committee: April 21, 2023, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. ET – Peer Sharing (states only)
- NASEO Manufactured Housing Task Force Meeting: April 28, 2023, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. ET – States Roundtable (states and territories only)
- NASEO – NARUC GEB Working Group: May 17\*, 2023, 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. ET (states only)

\*timing may change due to conflict with NE regional meeting



# NASEO Updates

- **Priorities:**

- Home energy and electrification rebates
- Codes – DOE funding opportunities, 2024 development
- K-12 Schools
- State-Local Engagement
  - Buildings Upgrade Prize
- Building Performance Standards and Benchmarking
- GEB and Demand Flexibility
- Manufactured Housing

# DOE Updates

- **Upcoming DOE Events:**

- Better Buildings Summit: April 11-13, 2023 in Washington, DC (in-person)
- National Energy Codes Conference: May 2-4, 2023 in Chicago, IL (in-person)

- **Expected DOE actions**

- \$1 billion codes program RFI from SCEP
- ALRD for the implementation of Home Energy Performance-Based, Whole House Rebates (HOMES) and the High-Efficiency Electric Home Rebate (HEEHR) programs (Inflation Reduction Act, Sec 50121 and 50122)
- Energy Auditor Training Grant Program FOA (expected by Q1 2023)
- IJJA Revolving Loan Fund application deadline moved (to May 26, 2023)



# Upcoming NASEO Buildings Committee Topics:

What are you  
interested in  
hearing about  
next?



# Framing Questions:

- Are there any new legislation or docket items that might advance building efficiency or electrification initiatives in your state? (e.g., utility data access mandates, renewable portfolio standards, new state or utility-run incentive programs)
- Are any federal funding opportunities (other than rebates) you are focused on or concerned about? If so, which ones and why?
- Have notable interagency, community-based, or even regional partnerships emerged in the past few months in order to advance building energy efficiency and clean energy initiatives?
- Are there technologies in focus for scaling statewide building efficiency or clean energy efforts (e.g., weatherization measures, all-electric appliances, demand responsive appliances, onsite storage and generation)
- What are the building sectors of focus within your state (e.g., publicly-owned buildings, K-12 schools, large commercial buildings, multifamily buildings)? Are the performance of these building sector tied to statewide energy or climate goals?
- Are there restrictions on hiring State Energy Office for the administration of federal programs to support building improvement efforts? How are shortages in the auditor, builder, and contractor workforce for implementing building upgrades being addressed?

# **Upcoming NASEO Buildings Committee Topics:** Building Performance Standards and Building Energy Benchmarking

- a. Demo of DOE Software (SEED and Audit Template) and EPA Tools (ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager) for Implementing Jurisdiction-Led Building Intervention Policies
- b. Lead-by-Example Programs and Targeting Publicly-Owned Buildings for Kickstarting Jurisdiction-Based Benchmarking Efforts
- c. Benchmarking and Engaging Facility Managers in K-12 Schools Energy Efficient School Environments
- d. Best Practices in Implementing Building Performance Standards from Practitioner States and Localities
- e. Utility Data Access Solutions Through Rulemaking Opportunities and Policy Language
- f. Opportunities for State Collaboration with Localities on Building Energy Efficiency and Decarbonization
- g. Ensuring Affordable and Equitable Building Upgrades for Building Owners
- h. Updates on the National Building Performance Standard Coalition



# Upcoming NASEO Buildings Committee Topics: Building Energy Codes

- a. Planning for Building Energy Codes Updates Through Federal Programs under IIJA and IRA
- b. Expectations for the 2024 IECC Code and updates on the process
- c. Equity Considerations in the Adoption and Implementation of Building Energy Codes
- d. Implementing Energy Code Updates and Addressing Challenges with Workforce Availability
- e. Practitioner Experiences Implementing Net Zero Codes and Stretch Codes

## Upcoming NASEO Buildings Committee Topics: Other

- a. U.S. DOE Building America Program: New Home Retrofit Technologies
- b. Leveraging the EPA Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and Climate Pollution Reduction Grant to Connect Dots Between Clean Energy Initiative and Emissions Management in buildings
- c. Ideating a Renewed NASEO Rural Task Force
- d. Policies for Promoting Low Global Warming Potential Refrigerants
- e. Building Capacity for Energy Efficient and Healthy K-12 Schools through State Agency Support: State Energy Office Examples
- f. Other?



Still have questions or ideas for the  
committee? Get in touch!

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