



Choosing Our Energy Future: Town Hall Discussion of Georgia's Options for Implementing the Clean Power Plan

September 28, 2015 -- 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Tech Square Research Building - Banquet Hall | 85 Fifth Street NW Atlanta GA 30308

<http://cepl.gatech.edu/choosing-our-energy-future>

In August 2015, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency released the Clean Power Plan, which aims to reduce carbon pollution from the U.S. power sector to 32% below 2005 levels by 2030. Georgia must submit its initial state plan for implementing the Clean Power Plan by September 2016. Georgia Tech and Climate@Emory are co-hosting a Town Hall meeting to explore the key decisions Georgia must make in developing its state plan and the potential impacts these decisions will have on our environment, our economy, our pocketbooks and our health. This event is intended to engage a broad range of stakeholders, including policymakers, practitioners, students, and the general public.

Agenda (as of 9/23)

1:00 Welcome and Overview of the Clean Power Plan

- a. Introductory Remarks
Daniel Rochberg, Emory University
- b. Clean Power Plan "201"
Marilyn Brown, Georgia Tech
- c. Toward a State Plan for Georgia
Kevin Kelly, Southface Energy Institute
Karen Hays, Chief, Georgia EPD Air Protection Branch

1:40 Cafe Conversations - Georgia's Options for Implementing the Clean Power Plan

Facilitated by Michael Elliott, Georgia Tech

- Topic 1: Maximizing Innovation, Economic Development and Jobs
Introduction: Costas Simoglou, Georgia Dept of Econ. Dev't
- Topic 2: Exploring Environmental Benefits and Co-Benefits
Introduction: Matt Strickland, Emory University
- Topic 3: Ensuring Equity and Environmental Justice
Introduction: MaKara Rumley, U.S. EPA
- Topic 4: Options for Design of a Market Based System
Introduction: Dan Matisoff, Georgia Tech
- Topic 5: Cross-State Coordination: Options, Pros, and Cons
Introduction: Katie Southworth, NRDC

3:50 Reflections and Closing

Chuck Eaton, Chairman, Georgia Public Service Commission

Marilyn Brown, Georgia Tech and Daniel Rochberg, Emory University