



# ENERGY CONNECTIONS 2017

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The BC Sustainable Energy Association is a member-based, non-profit organization that supports the sustainable production, distribution, and consumption of energy in British Columbia and beyond. The association collaborates with governments, industry, academic institutions, non-governmental organizations, and citizens to put in place the conditions needed to accelerate the province's transition to a lower-carbon economy.

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## Welcome Message from Jessica McIlroy

Executive Director, BCSEA

### *Welcome to Energy Connections 2017!*

We are proud to be back for our second Energy Connections event, building off the success of EC2016, this year with a focus on community level projects. We've brought together a fantastic group of community and industry representatives to share stories, lessons learned, and the opportunities for engaging in sustainable energy projects.

Each year we hope to bring together a broad range of citizens, industry and business members, community groups and government representatives to have meaningful discussions on sustainable energy. Moving us beyond awareness building to pulling together the tools for meaningful action. We hope you learn and connect at Energy Connections in a way that empowers you to become a part of the low-carbon solutions needed for our future.

We extend our deepest thanks to our dedicated BCSEA team, members, supporters, sponsors and partners, without whom we wouldn't have been able to bring Energy Connections back again in 2017. We look forward to continuing to work together with you all to ensure sustainable energy ideas and opportunities are shared with all British Columbians, and for Energy Connections 2018!

Best,

Jessica McIlroy



# Agenda

8:30am

## Opening Plenary

*Welcome:* Patricia Lane, Chair of BCSEA Board of Directors

*Opening:* Tzeporah Berman

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9:00 - 10:30am

## The Program and Policy Landscape

**Session 1:** *Representatives from government will speak to the current energy and climate plans, funding programs, incentives and initiatives that set the stage for community action.*

**Moderator:** James Glave, Glave Communications

### Speakers:

- Judith Sayers, *Independent Consultant*
  - Matt Horne, *City of Vancouver*
  - Paul Kariya, *Clean Energy BC*
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10:30 - 11:00am

## Break

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11:00 - 12:30pm

## Renewable Energy Success Stories

**Session 2:** *We are seeing innovations, actions and leadership coming from community groups, municipal and regional governments and the small business community. Speakers will provide stories of success on innovative energy generation projects.*

**Moderator:** Betsy Agar, Renewable Cities

### Speakers:

- Andrew Moore, *T'sou-ke Nation Solar Project*
- Jeff Weston, *Thermenex*
- Scot Merriam and Ian Gartshore, *Energy Solutions for Vancouver Island*

12:30 - 2:00pm **Lunch**

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2:00 - 3:30pm **Energy Efficiency and Conservation Success Stories**

**Session 3:** *Where has it worked and how has it been done? Speakers will provide stories of success on sustainable and innovative energy efficiency, and conservation projects.*

**Moderator:** Michael Pullinger, Energy Revolution Services

**Speakers:**

- Amy Hennessy, *Empower Me*
  - Areef Abraham, *Community Power*
  - Andrea Linsky, *BCIT*
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3:30 - 4:00pm **Break**

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4:00 - 5:15pm **Building Your Community of Action**

**Session 4:** *Steps and ideas on how to build collective interest and financial support for sustainable energy projects.*

**Moderator:** Josha MacNab, Pembina Institute

**Speakers:**

- Ben West, *Great Climate Race*
  - Kai Nagata, *Dogwood Initiative*
  - Christine Carter, *Bullfrog Power*
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5:15pm **Closing**

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# Speakers



**Andrea Linsky**  
*Program Head,  
BCIT Sustainable Energy  
Management*



**Andrew Moore**  
*Project Director with the  
T'Sou-ke Nation*



**Areef Abraham**  
*President & CEO,  
Community Power*



**Ben West**  
*Founder of the Great  
Climate Race*



**Betsy Agar**  
*Founding Member of  
Renewable Cities,  
Research Manager and  
Dialogue Convenor*



**Christine Carter**  
*BC Sales & Marketing  
Manager for Bullfrog  
Power*



**Amy Hennessy**  
*Program Development  
Manager of Empower Me*



**Ian Gartshore**  
*President of Shore Energy  
Solutions*



**James Glave**  
*Principal of Glave  
Communications*



**Jeff Weston**  
*President & CEO,  
TC Thermenex Inc.*



**Josha MacNab**  
*Pembina Institute,  
Regional Director (British  
Columbia)*



**Kai Nagata**  
*Communications Director  
with Dogwood*



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Sayers**  
*Strategic Adviser to First  
Nations*



**Matt Horne**  
*Climate Policy Manager,  
City of Vancouver*

# Speakers



**Michael Pullinger**  
*Principal at Energy  
Revolution Services*



**Patricia Lane**  
*BCSEA Board Chair*



**Paul Kariya**  
*Executive Director of  
Clean Energy BC*



**Scot Merriam**  
*Principal Engineer,  
SRM Projects*



**Tzeporah Berman**  
*Activist and Writer*

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