

Dear Members and Economic Stakeholders,

At AGNC, we are committed to fostering economic development that truly reflects the needs and desires of our community. By conducting comprehensive surveys and providing factual education through the Northwest Colorado Energy Initiative (NCEI), we collectively aim to identify and target key growth opportunities that align with the community's preferences and aspirations during the energy transition in Northwest Colorado.

Your insights are invaluable in this endeavor, which is why we are reaching out to invite you to participate in our energy survey. This survey covers five main categories: Demographics, Opinion, Personal Knowledge, Personal Impressions, and Facts & Thoughts regarding energy production and usage. Your input will directly contribute to shaping development initiatives that benefit us all during this crucial energy transition time.

The goal of this survey is to establish a baseline of our region's knowledge and understanding of various energy types. After this survey, the results will lead to further actions surrounding energy education and provide the space for fact-based discussions regarding the future of NW Colorado's economic development.

We extend our gratitude to all the communities in Northwest Colorado, our esteemed elected officials, Trapper and Tri-State, and the colleges and universities that have supported our efforts with the Northwest Colorado Energy Initiative (NCEI) thus far. Your collaboration is crucial in driving meaningful change and progress.

Completing the survey will take approximately 15 minutes of your time, and your participation will remain completely anonymous. The survey will be open May 1 – 15, 2024. Your honest feedback will guide us in creating strategies for more effective and sustainable economic growth.

To participate, please click on the following link: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NCEI-ENWX-1</u>. Alternatively, you can scan the attached QR code with your smartphone to access the survey directly.

Thank you for your continued support and for being an active participant in shaping the future of our community's economic landscape. Together, we can build a brighter tomorrow.



Warm regards, Matt Solomon Associated Governments of NW Colorado – Northwest Colorado Energy Initiative Project Manager / Co-Regional Grant Navigator PO Box 593, Grand Junction, CO 81502 M/WA: +1 970.376.2146 www.agnc.org

The Northwest Colorado Energy Initiative (NCEI) was established with a critical mission: to guide the region through a pivotal energy transition, identifying suitable alternatives to coal and preparing for the upcoming feasibility study. Our organization is deeply committed to maintaining affordable energy costs, retaining a skilled regional workforce, and ensuring the availability of quality jobs with competitive wages. This commitment aligns with the broader goals outlined in Colorado HB23-1247.