

2026-06-25 Hydropower Testing Network (HyTN) Recipient Informational Webinar Transcript

Christi Pezzone 0:03

My name is Christi Pezzone. I am the Deputy Director here at EnergyWerx. A couple of notes before we get started: AI bots are not allowed if they are let in by some reason, we will have to remove them. That is a DOE requirement. Next slide, please.

This is an information session. There will be time to address some questions after a briefing from the program office on HyTN. You can see the Slido information on the screen. Slido is the application that we use to answer questions. You can either go to the Slido link and enter VO6IW, or you can scan the QR code on the screen. We do ask that all questions be asked via Slido, not in the chat section. You can see questions that others have asked when you go to the Slido link, and also upvote those questions if you have the same one to have them answered first.

The [Q&A will be posted](#) as well in addition to [the slides and the recording](#) once DOE has had time to review. That usually takes about a week, but the slides and the recording should be available by tomorrow morning. A couple of key dates to remember. The [next webinar](#) is Wednesday, July 15th at 2:00PM EST and [applications](#) close on Thursday, July 23rd at 3:00 PM EST. If you have any application issues, we do ask that you reach out to info@energywerx.org and someone will be able to assist you. Moving on to the overview portion of the webinar, I'm going to turn it over to Lauren Ruedy from the Hydropower and Hydrokinetic Office.

Ruedy, Lauren 2:25

Awesome. Thanks, Christi. Appreciate that. Happy Thursday, everyone. Thank you for joining. And thanks to EnergyWerx, OTC, and the Hydropower and Hydrokinetic Office teams for all their hard work to launch the second phase of HyTN Round 2 Voucher Opportunity.

So again, I'm Lauren Ruedy. I'm the Chief Engineer of the Hydropower and Hydrokinetics Office (H2O). So, I'll be walking you through on behalf of the team a few slides during today's webinar, focusing on the Voucher Recipient phase of the process, which is hopefully most, if not all of you. So, with that, next slide.

Okay, so what is HyTN? So, as you probably know by now, the Hydropower Testing Network or HyTN program aims to raise the technology readiness of hydropower innovations by connecting technology developers to testing facilities and implementing targeted testing activities that lead to the deployment of sustainable, reliable hydropower projects. So, the testing facility applications were submitted and reviewed earlier this year. The facilities that are in the network are now listed in the [HyTN catalog](#). And so, we'll spend more time on that later. Next slide.

Okay, so we mentioned that HyTN is a Voucher Opportunity program. This slide provides a high-level summary of the voucher process. It starts with the Voucher Opportunity solicitation. So that has, you know, the details and the specifics of the opportunity, funding levels, number of projects expected, etc. After those applications have been submitted, reviewed, and selections were made. We then move into the matchmaking stage of the process. And so EnergyWerx helps DOE with that process and throughout to help make sure that the Voucher Providers and Voucher Recipients are paired and set up to execute successful projects, which is then the last stage of the process. We'll cover this in a little bit more detail on the next slide.

Okay, so there's a lot going on in the slide. I'll walk you through it, but essentially this is the more detailed version of what I just walked through. So, you'll see in the upper left, it starts with the Voucher Provider applications. Those Voucher Providers, like I mentioned, earlier this year, submitted applications. Those applications were reviewed, selections were made, and we then updated the [capability catalog](#), which we'll cover in a little bit more detail in a later slide.

One of the changes we made for round two of HyTN, if you're familiar with round one, you'll remember that it was restricted specifically to physical testing. One of the changes

we made for round two was we are including computer modeling and analysis within the scope of HyTN activities. You'll see in the lower right, or excuse me, the lower left there, we've added another high-level category around techno-economic analysis, but also embedded within those other four categories now includes both physical testing and modeling capabilities.

From there, after the [capability catalog](#) has been finalized, we're now in the current stage, which is where potential recipients can apply to access those capabilities. So similarly to the Voucher Provider applications, the [Voucher Recipient applications](#) will go through a review and selection process as well as matching with the [capabilities](#). So once Voucher Provider and Voucher Recipient are matched, or matches are made, then we move into the different potential projects that we'll see going forward for round two. Next slide.

Okay, so now that we've talked a little bit about the process, I'll cover a little bit about, you know, who is this Voucher Opportunity for. We're focusing here on the right-hand part of the slide. This is the Voucher Recipient. Voucher Recipients can be a US-based for-profit company, a non-profit research organization, or an academic institution developing a hydropower technology. We tried to keep the scope broad in terms of support for the hydropower sector. So, these are example technologies on the lower right of hydropower power tree and equipment, structures, materials, and repair processes, electrical, electronic, and cybersecurity devices, as well as environmental mitigation technology. But we're really trying to be as inclusive as possible. So, if a technology is related to hydropower, it should fit within the scope of the program. I'll get into a little bit more detail on that on a future slide. Next slide.

Okay, so this starts to cover a little bit more about the scope of what is included within round two of the Hydropower Testing Network Voucher Opportunity. So again, what is considered a hydropower technology, its equipment, materials, and structures used to support the construction and/or operation of hydropower projects, which capture the potential energy of flowing water over an elevation or pressure drop, typically referred to as head. It does not have to be directly related to electricity generation.

It can be partial scale, full scale, environmental mitigation technologies, like we talked about in the previous slide, but we're really trying to be as inclusive as possible. So essentially, as long as the technology is related to hydropower and could fit within one of these subcategories that you see on the screen is the place for you.

If you do have a technology that you are developing that's more relevant to marine energy applications, you know, harnessing wave, tidal, or current energy, those projects should apply to the [TEAMER program](#). But if again, if its hydropower related, HyTN is your mechanism. Next slide.

So, I mentioned this on a previous slide in terms of, you know, what's considered testing and evaluation that we have broadened the scope of this compared to round one. So for round two, it includes both the physical and computer modeling. So physical testing is hands-on experiments in a laboratory environment that involve hardware, such as a prototype, system, component, or coupon. Similarly, now capabilities including modeling, simulation, analysis, or other software services are also available.

Voucher Recipients are expected to be ready and provide their portion for the project. So, for physical testing, recipients are expected to provide a test article and have that ready for computer modeling and analysis projects. Voucher Recipients will be expected to provide at least a proof-of-concept design, if not having a model already developed. So, we'll cover this in two slides, but really, we're looking for at least a TRL 3 in terms of development and maturity, that height could help further and progress. But we are looking for at least having a proof-of-concept design and steering away from, you know, really co-design with a facility and a lot of IP considerations. Next slide.

Okay, so in the previous slide, I mentioned testing in a laboratory. So, you know, what are these laboratories? So, in order to be eligible, the applicant, the Voucher Recipient, sorry, the Voucher Recipient applicant must [apply](#) to use a HyTN approved facility that is permitted and operated to support research and development activities. Field testing is still not within scope for HyTN and round two. Maybe that, you know, will change if we do future rounds, but field testing currently is still not within scope. All projects are

expected to be compliant with HyTN NEPA determination and any tests that involve living organisms will be required to fill out additional form upon selection. There may be additional considerations depending on the details of the project. Next slide.

Okay, so I mentioned earlier TRL 3. So that is another change we made for round two. So, in HyTN round one, we really focused on TRL 4 through 7. So, we've expanded that a little bit and now include TRL 3 projects as well as eligible for HyTN. So, for anyone that's not familiar with the definitions of technology readiness levels or TRLs, you'll see them listed here on the right-hand portion of the slide. But really looking at anything from a proof of concept all the way up to full scale, you know, depending on depending on the component, full scale system testing, in a relevant environment. [The HyTN capability catalog](#) has facilities that kind of can accommodate testing across this range of TRLs. So, looking forward to seeing those get used. Next slide.

Okay, and then this last slide is just some additional considerations for you to be aware of in terms of potential projects that can be approved through HyTN. So, activities are expected to be scoped to less than one year of work from the start of the contract. Activities generally are scoped between a value of \$50K to \$250K. I will note and remind people here that the way funding flows through HyTN is all funding goes directly to the Voucher Providers or the test facilities. But this gives you as a potential Voucher Recipient an understanding and appreciation for sort of the value of the support you'll be receiving.

Voucher cost and duration should also include the time needed to complete five milestones. So that is an update we also made for round two. Round one had four milestones. We added a fifth milestone questionnaire just to collect some feedback on people's experience using HyTN so we can continue to improve the program if we're approved to do future rounds. And then the last thing I'll just call out is making sure that activities are not focused on manufacturing for commercial production. So, if that is how you're hoping to use HyTN, unfortunately, this is not the place for you. Next slide.

Okay, so here you see obviously a timeline that Christi mentioned earlier, some of the key upcoming dates as well. We are currently in this yellow box on June 25th. Again, we'll have [another webinar on July 15th](#). There won't be any new content presented during that webinar, just so you're aware. However, if you do think of questions that come up after today's webinar or as you're working on your application, that is a really good opportunity to get those questions answered.

So, we had that webinar on July 15th, the week before [applications are due at 3:00 PM EST on July 23rd](#). From there, and again, the rest of the timeline is subject to change. So, this is what we're working towards. Though, obviously, if we have external factors that come into play, dates might be adjusted. But the plan is to have Voucher Recipient selections announced and that was made by the end of the fiscal year. So that would be in September of 2026. So, from there, moving into the fall, the expectations would be that providers and recipients would then work on finalizing their agreements, which was the first milestone that teams would be expected to complete, and then moving into beginning their projects later in 2026. So that should give you a sense of where we are and where we're going. Next slide.

Okay, so this, I've mentioned the application a number of times now. This slide gives you a sense of what you can expect in terms of content that we're looking for potential Voucher Recipients to provide. So, you see on the right-hand side of the slide, we do have sample application questions available. So, if you go to [the EnergyWerx Voucher Opportunity page](#) and go all the way to the bottom, you'll see there is a [PDF available with those sample application questions](#). They are the same questions that you'll find in the [application on Submittable](#). So, if you want to get familiar with what you would be expecting and the information you'd be expecting to provide, you can look at the PDF.

However, I do want to emphasize that in order to submit an eligible application, you must submit it through [Submittable](#). You know, any completed PDFs or filled out PDFs that are, you know, emailed over are not considered eligible. That's just to give you a sense of the type of information you'll need to provide only applications submitted through [Submittable](#) will be evaluated.

At a high level, you see the categories and types of information will be, you'll be asked to provide over on the left. So, starting with the first section of general information and entity classification. So, this is general information about the entity the applicant, including points of contact and applicable identifiers. So, you know, just your basic information up front.

Moving then into technology and project overview is the next section. So this focuses on specific questions around the technology that's being proposed, the company, as well as the project objectives. And then the last section focuses on the capability justification of need. In each application, you can apply for up to three HyTN capabilities, including a description of how or why they would help with technology development and providing facility requested information.

I'll also note that for this second round of HyTN, we are encouraging potential Voucher Recipients to reach out to the [Voucher Providers](#) of interest before submitting your application. There is a question now on the application of whether you did reach out and contact the facility that you are identifying as a capability of interest. I will say again, this is not required. It's just recommended. We have seen in other programs that having an initial upfront discussion around feasibility and whether a proposed project fits within the capabilities and scope of a facility really does help improve both the quality of the application as well as successful, likelihood of success of the project itself to kind of talk through some of those details up front. It's highly encouraged, but again, not required. Your application will still be reviewed and considered even if you don't reach out to the facilities you have identified. Next slide.

Okay, so you can see on the left-hand side of the screen that for round two, we're excited to share we have 21 facilities providing over [65 unique capabilities](#). So that's a lot of facilities and capabilities to list on one slide. We didn't include those here. You can see on the map on the right, just for the range and geographic diversity of the different capabilities in their locations. However, to look at the specific facilities and capabilities included in the network, you can go to one of the two locations or both locations shown on the left there.

If you navigate to [the HyTN website on OpenEI](#), and you can go to the [capability catalog](#) there to quickly sort and filter the capabilities that are included in the network. Similarly, the [EnergyWerx HyTN Voucher Opportunity page](#) also includes an [Excel spreadsheet with a list of all the capabilities](#) available as well. You can find the information in either location as you're thinking about the type of project you want to propose to have funded through HyTN and which capabilities and matches would make the most sense for that project. Next slide.

Okay, these are just some tips, recommendations as you are completing your [application](#). I will say that the HyTN application is relatively, you know, short and straightforward, especially compared to some other solicitation applications, but still make sure you read all the instructions and help texts carefully just make sure you're not missing anything. Be as specific as possible. So, the clearer you can describe the expected outcomes of the project both helps, you know, set expectations as well as facilitates the matchmaking process.

So again, mentioned this already, but in addition to reviewing the facility descriptions, it's also recommended that you contact the capability to discuss your potential project. Again, just the more information and thought that goes into the project up front just increases the likelihood of success. If you do start your application and you need to come back to it later, again, this is an application being developed in [Submittable](#) you should press the save draft button to avoid losing your progress. So if you start the draft in Submittable and need to get additional information or come back to it and think more about how you want to present information, you can save a draft to progress up until that July 23rd deadline.

I'll note that items marked with the double asterisks (**) may be shared with providers or used for public communications as defined in both [the HyTN Program Rules and the HyTN IP Management Plan](#). Both of those documents are also available at the bottom of the [EnergyWerx Voucher Opportunity Page](#), so you can go there to take a look at those.

And then lastly, speaking of IP, we don't want your IP. We don't need it. So please do not include any confidential, proprietary, or privileged information in your submission. Next slide.

Okay. This slide covers a little bit around Voucher Opportunity, [Voucher Recipient eligibility](#). So, applicants must qualify as a domestic entity and applicants must also certify they are not owned by, controlled by, or subject to the jurisdiction or direction of a government of a country of risk. There's more information and definitions around that in particular available on the [EnergyWerx Voucher Opportunity Page](#). You can go check that out for more information if you have questions there.

Lastly, I'll also note that if you are from an organization or facility that has been admitted into the [HyTN network](#), you are still eligible to apply as a Voucher Recipient. However, you cannot apply as both the Voucher Recipient from using a Voucher Provider, your own Voucher Provider. So basically, you can't apply to be funded to test at your own lab. You are still eligible to apply and work with [another capability in the network](#). You just can't apply to use voucher services from your own capability. Next slide.

Okay, so this covers a little bit around the [evaluation criteria](#). You'll see the big themes on the left of how applications will be evaluated. The first key area is regarding relevance to hydropower. The application needs to demonstrate direct relevance and benefit to the hydropower sector and hydropower technology. The second area is around advancing technology readiness. Making sure that the application is using capabilities within the network that can help advance and mature the technology that's being proposed.

The third area and category is around eligibility, so making sure that the proposed technology fits within that TRL 3 to 7 scale that I mentioned earlier, as well as making sure that the application has no external dependencies or scope duplication of any other federally funded work.

The 4th category is making sure that capable and available, so really focusing on the application, describing both of it includes all of the required fields have been addressed and is complete, but also ensuring that the team is available and has the necessary expertise in order to support the test or proposed project, as well as help complete the milestones I mentioned earlier. And then the last category for evaluation is, you know, achievable or achievability. And so, this is really making sure that the scope and duration of the proposed project, those activities are reasonable, feasible, and are within the intended scope and purpose of the HyTN program. Next slide.

Okay, so we're coming to the end of the slide content, so hopefully people are putting questions in Slido. This is just to give you a heads up, a sneak peek of what to expect if you are selected and approved as a Voucher Recipient. There you'll see on the bottom sort of what type of agreement or contractual arrangement you can expect as the Voucher Recipient. So if you are matched with a National Lab or federally funded research and development center, you will need to set up an agreement with that National Lab, whether it's a non-disclosure agreement or NDA, cooperative research and development agreement or CRADA or any other type of agreement that the lab may deem appropriate depending on the lab policies and scope of the project.

If you're matched going into that second column, then if you are matched with a private lab or a university, EnergyWerx will be looking to establish a Memorandum of Understanding or MOU with you that documents the expected nature of engagement between the parties. The last column for federal labs, we actually did not, were not able to include for round two. So that column is not relevant for round two.

But going back up to the top of the slide, I know I mentioned earlier that the funding does go directly to the Voucher Providers. However, I will note that no cost share is required either. Voucher Recipients are not required to provide any type of cost share. Next slide.

All right, I think this is my last slide. I've mentioned these HyTN milestones a few times now. So just as a reminder, projects have one year from contract start to complete work,

both the work of the project as well as these milestones. The Voucher Providers are responsible for submitting these five milestones using the [templates](#) that have been provided. It can be found on the [Open EI webpage](#). However, the Voucher Providers should be coordinating with the Voucher Recipients to make sure the information being captured is accurate, as well as identifying any IP concerns.

The first milestone you'll see all the way on the left. So that's the first Memorandum of Agreement Verification. So that ensures that any agreements necessary for the Voucher Recipient to work with the Voucher Provider have been identified, signed, completed, and are in place to successfully work on the project.

The second milestone is a test plan describing the scope and schedule and nature of the project. And we'll note milestone 2 does need to be reviewed and approved by DOE before work can begin. But really the intent with that review process is to make sure information is both clear in the test plan, as well as provide any recommendations to make sure the project is set up for success.

Then during the course of the project, there is a milestone 3 that's generally recommended for submission approximately halfway through the project. So that's just a couple of PowerPoint slides sort of updating, providing a progress update on how things are going before getting to the end of the project and milestone 4. So that is a project summary report, which leverages the information that's been provided in the test plan for milestone 2, but then adding your conclusions, findings, recommendations, lessons learned to the bottom of that document.

Milestone 4 also needs to be reviewed and approved by DOE before the project can be completed. In addition to milestone 4, now we, as I mentioned, added this 5th milestone. So that's an end of project questionnaire, really just to get feedback on how the project the process went for you and any recommendations you would have if we do future rounds of HyTN. And I believe, next slide.

Yep, that was everything I had. So hopefully people have questions. And again, appreciate you. Thanks for joining today.

Christi Pezzone 30:21

Perfect. Thank you, Lauren. We're going to give Tessa a quick second to pull up the Slido. Remember, everyone, please enter your questions via slido.com using the code VO6IW or use the link that was just posted in the chat. And it looks like we already have a few questions.

Tessa Bryan 30:39

All right, for our first question - One of the eligibility requirements was that we must have a physical place of business, could you please expand on that?

Ruedy, Lauren 30:50

Sure. So, in the application, when you're filling out the application, contact information, you know, with the name of the applicant, you know, who's looking to get assistance, the expectation is you'll also be providing contact information, including a mailing address. So, you know, that's, I think that's really sort of the crux of it. I guess the other thing I mentioned was a requirement in terms of being a US-based. So, I think those are the key points I can think of there, but if I didn't answer your question sufficiently, please ask another question to clarify.

Christi Pezzone 31:34

And one of the [eligibility requirements](#), the way it's stated, is to qualify as a domestic entity, which you have to be in order to submit your application. The entity must be organized, chartered, or incorporated or otherwise formed under the laws of a particular state or territory of the United States have majority domestic ownership and control, and have a physical place of business in the United States. It is a requirement to even submit an application. That's one of our, that's our only eligibility question for you to move forward to get to the application. It is a requirement that DOE has set for all EnergyWerx opportunities.

Ruedy, Lauren 32:17

Thanks, Christi.

Tessa Bryan 32:22

To clarify, those of us creating a technology that harnesses energy from currents aren't necessarily what HyTN is looking for?

Christi Pezzone 32:30

I'm going to jump in before Lauren nicely answers. We cannot answer questions on if projects are of interest or are not of interest. We recommend that you review the [eligibility criteria on our website](#). That's been posted in the chat, but we cannot let you know whether or not you would be a good applicant for this opportunity. Sorry to jump in.

Ruedy, Lauren 32:52

Nope, nope, that was great, Christi. The only thing I'll add is if it's relevant to hydropower and it meets all of the other eligibility, you know, criteria that we walked through already, it sounds like it would be within scope. But yeah, to Christi's point, we can't speak to any specific projects or applications directly.

Tessa Bryan 33:16

The Excel document link on the openei.org link only has 42 of the 85 capabilities listed on the website page. Can this please be fixed? Thank you.

Ruedy, Lauren 33:30

I appreciate you flagging that. I will say in terms of the numbering of the capabilities, there were some capabilities that were included in round one that were not included in round two. And so just for legacy tracking purposes, those facility or capability numbers have just been removed from the site as visible. So that could be what you're seeing is just some of that legacy numbering, but we can make sure we go double check that.

Tessa Bryan 34:04

I think also they could be looking at the round one capability list. I clicked on the link on my mobile so I could see that it was the first thing that popped up. So, if you scroll down, you'll see [the capability tool and the active capabilities](#). But if you prefer an Excel

format to look through, then you can look through that on the [EnergyWerx Opportunity Page](#).

What's are the roles of providers and recipients in the project? As a National Lab, can we apply to receive funds to demonstrate a technology as a recipient?

Ruedy, Lauren 34:48

Okay, so there, yes, those are kind of two distinct questions, so I'll take them both separately. The roles of the Voucher Providers and Voucher Recipients in a specific project are discussed in a little bit more detail in the [test plan](#), so that milestone too. I would encourage you, if you wanted to understand the specifics, [take a look at that milestone](#). But at a high level, the Voucher Provider is the test facility. They are providing services and access to their capability for the Voucher Recipient to use. The Voucher Recipient is expected to provide, again, either a test article or their concept for evaluation as part of the project. So the specifics around who is doing what those are the details that you would work out if you're matched and once you set up and move into that project development stage.

In terms of the second question, as a National Lab, you could apply as a Voucher Recipient. However, I'll remind you that Voucher Recipients do not receive funds. Voucher Providers are the only entity that receives the funds in this Voucher Opportunity program. So, you could be a National Lab Voucher Provider that would have been approved earlier in the year to be part of the network for round two. Those are the facilities that if matched would receive funds, but you can also be a National Lab Voucher Recipient applicant as well. You just can't apply to use, if you are from a National Lab that has a capability as a Voucher Provider. You just can't apply to use your own capability. Hopefully that makes sense.

Tessa Bryan 36:54

Thank you.

We are a recipient of a DOE SBIR award. Can we use HyTN to do further research not currently funded?

Ruedy, Lauren 37:06

As long as the project is not currently funded through other means, through other federally funded work, and it's not duplicative, then HyTN is available for you to apply to. Trying to see if there's any other aspect to that question to consider. But yeah, I mean, like we said earlier not addressing or getting into the specifics of any individual application, but if the HyTN application is not duplicative of any other federally funded work, that would not be an eligibility issue.

Tessa Bryan 37:51

We have two different technologies we are developing. Can we conduct work on two HyTN awards at the same time? If so, will this require (2) applications?

Ruedy, Lauren 38:06

So that one's a little tricky to answer. So, but it sounds like these would be two new applications. I believe we are trying to keep applications to one application per applicant. Christi, can you remind me if I have that right?

Christi Pezzone 38:26

Yes, that's correct.

Ruedy, Lauren 38:27

Okay, if they are two distinct projects that you would be applying to in round two, you would need to pick one of them. If you received a voucher in round one and are maybe still working through wrapping that up, that does not preclude you from submitting an application for round two.

Tessa Bryan 38:56

You mentioned that the recipient needs to provide the test prototype. Can we give the design to the voucher provider to construct it using the voucher funds?

Ruedy, Lauren 39:08

It would really depend, I mean, it would really depend on the project, right? So, the expectation is that the Voucher Recipient is providing that test article or test prototype. Depending on the service that is being offered from the capability, that could be

specifics that are worked out between the Voucher Provider and the Voucher Recipient, but the expectation is the test or the goal or test prototype is being provided by the Voucher Recipient.

Christi Pezzone 39:44

Perfect. And it looks like that was our last question. I am going to start my spiel or wrap things up. And if any other questions come up on the screen, I'll stop so that we can get to those. Thank you to everyone for participating in the HyTN Informational Webinar today. All questions that were asked here today will be provided to DOE so they have the opportunity to provide any additional helpful information before we post them on the [Opportunity Page](#) next week. Oh, we have more questions. I'll go back to Tessa. This always happens.

Tessa Bryan 40:16

As Nat Lab can we apply as the recipient to demonstrate a technology for H2O as recipient and use funds from provider?

Ruedy, Lauren 40:30

If I'm understanding the question correctly, so yes, as a National Lab, you can apply as a Voucher Recipient. But again, the funds go to the Voucher Provider, not to the Voucher Recipient. So not sure if I'm completely answering your question there, but yes, National Labs can apply as a Voucher Recipient, but the funds would be sent to the Voucher Provider.

Tessa Bryan 40:59

Thank you.

We received a voucher in round 1. for a variety of reasons, the work produced was not sufficient can we reapply now that we have learned more

Ruedy, Lauren 41:11

Yep, so having had a voucher in round one does not preclude you from applying to round two. So, if you would like to [apply for round two](#), you're certainly encouraged to do so.

Christi Pezzone 41:32

All right, I will continue. Just kidding.

Tessa Bryan 41:38

So provider will do the work to demo the technology of the recipient?

Ruedy, Lauren 41:45

Yes, that question, the way I'm reading that question, that does sound correct. So, the Voucher Recipient will work with the Voucher Provider. It's intended to be a somewhat collaborative process, but the Voucher Provider is being paid to do the work of the testing and evaluation.

Christi Pezzone 42:10

Perfect, thank you. I will continue with my spiel now. Please remember that [submissions](#) are due no later than Thursday, July 23rd, 2026 at 3:00 PM EST. In the chat, you will find the following, our email address, info@energywerx.org, if you have any additional questions. If there is anything not answered here today, you can go ahead and reach out before [the next webinar](#) and ask us and we'll get a response and post that response on the website as well. You'll find a link to the [Opportunity Page](#), a link to [RSVP for the next Informational Webinar](#) on July 15th at 2:00 PM EST, link to [join our ecosystem](#) and to follow us on [social media](#). After today, we will place the [recording of today's Informational Webinar on our website](#) as well as the [PowerPoint slides](#) that were briefed today. Again, if you have any questions, please reach out to info@energywerx.org, and we will be happy to assist.

And it looks like we do not have any more questions, so I'm going to officially wrap everything up. Thank you, everyone, for your time here today. Thank you, Lauren and her team for being here, and to the EnergyWerx team, as always, for your support. I hope everyone has a great rest of their week.

Ruedy, Lauren 43:23

Thanks, Christi. Thanks, everyone.