## Agenda

## Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee (BERAC) meeting Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian

## October 28, 2015

9:00 – 10:00	Welcome and member introductions and comments
10:00 – 10:30	News from BER - Dr. Sharlene Weatherwax
10:30 – 11:00	News from Climate & Environmental Sciences Division (CESD) - Dr. Gary Geernaert
11:00 - 11:15	BREAK
11:15 – 11:45	News from Biological Systems Science Division (BSSD) - Dr. Todd Anderson
11:45-1:00	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN
1:00 – 1:30	News from the Office of Science - Dr. Patricia Dehmer, Acting Director
1:30 – 2:30	BERAC Science Talk $-$ "Improving our understanding of carbon cycle, drought and fire dynamics during the $21^{\rm st}$ century" - James Randerson, BERAC
2:30 – 3:00	Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E) briefing Dr. Joe Cornelius, Program Director, ARPA-e
3:00-3:15	BREAK
3:15 – 3:45	BRN-EM workshop briefing - Dr. Michelle Buchanan, ORNL
3:45 – 4:45	BERAC Integrated Field Laboratory (IFL) report & discussion
4:45 – 5:30	General Discussion
5:30	New Business, Public comment, Adjourn

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8:30 – 9:00	News from the Office of the Undersecretary Dr. Franklin Orr, Undersecretary for Science and Energy
9:00 – 9:45	National Academy—briefing on "Industrialization of Biology" – Dr. Doug Friedman
9:45—10:15	EMSL update - Dr. Allison Campbell – Director, EMSL
10:15 – 10:30	BREAK
10:30-11:00	BSSD Strategic Plan - Dr. Todd Anderson
11:00 - 11:45	BERAC open discussion including next steps for Charge
11:45 – noon	New Business, Public comment, Adjourn