## Monday - March 3rd, 2025

5:30 - 8:00 Evening Social/Registration - Best Western Plus Havre Inn & Suites

## Tuesday - March 4th, 2025

7:30 - 8:30 Registration

8:30 - 9:45 **Opening Session - GM Roundtable** 

10:00 - 11:00 Session 1

First Call Resolution - How are you working between technicians and tech support? What tools are you using to improve FCR? What proactive Blue - Building 8-Meeting Room

changes have you made?

Red - Building 8-Zumba Room PRPL and Beyond: Innovating the Future of Connectivity - Andrew Cuellar, Zyxel Everything Calix - NISC - Network Health & Calix Subscriber Services API - Nick Wax, NISC Green - Warehouse-Bull Room

Yellow - Warehouse-Lower Level Underground Plant Locating Best Practices and Identifying Available Resources - Becky Valen, Copperhead Wire & Bryce Morse, Rally Rep.

11:15 - 12:15 Session 2

Blue - Building 8-Meeting Room AI - What tools is your company using? Do you have any policies around its use? What efficiencies are you seeing from it? Red - Building 8-Zumba Room Throughput testing on FTTH application - PON, AE etc - Carl Goldschmidt, VeEx

Work Management Solutions - Premise visits notifications, AppSuite Notifications - Jason Mason, NISC Green - Warehouse-Bull Room

Yellow - Warehouse-Lower Level

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12:15 - 1:30 Lunch Provided by Zyxel/CSSA - Vendor Area

1:30 - 2:30 Session 3

Blue - Building 8-Meeting Room KPI's, Training needs and development, Succession planning for transferring of knowledge?

Red - Building 8-Zumba Room Legislative Update - Bridger Mahlum, BroadbandMT

Navigating socials in 2025. Where do we need to be? Where do you not want to be? What tools do you use to manage it? Green - Warehouse-Bull Room

Efficient outside plant closures for trunk, feeder, distribution, drop, and entrance applications that are compatible with many different OSP fiber

Yellow - Warehouse-Lower Level optic cables - James Shell, Core & Kevin Panteleakos, PLP

2:45 - 3:45 Session 4

Blue - Building 8-Meeting Room Regulatory - Broadband labels, PMM Testing, HUBB, BDC, etc - Roundtable Red - Building 8-Zumba Room

Conduit Utilization Best Practices - Derek Penrod, Dura-Line, Travis Pyne, Rally Rep

Asset Management and Ticket Management Demo - iVUE Connect replacements for Facility Management/Ticket Management (FA/TM) - Ashley

Ruzicka, NISC

Validating SLA's on P2P and Routed Ethernet Circuits - RFC2544, Y.1564 & RFC6349 - Carl Goldschmidt, VeEx Yellow - Warehouse-Lower Level

4:00 - 5:00 Session 5

Public ROW, Forest Service, BLM etc - Tips and Tricks, what are you seeing, how are the additional requirements affecting you and how are you Blue - Building 8-Meeting Room

handling them, timelines and how they impact required builds.

Red - Building 8-Zumba Room Revolutionizing Education and Campus Safety with Private LTE/5G Networks - Dan Ortega, Alliance Corporation

Pratical OTDR Testing - From theory to application - Carl Goldschmidt, VeEx

QOE & Troubleshooting Workflow with Calix Tools - Izzy Gomez & Natalie Roberts, Calix Green - Warehouse-Bull Room

Evening Social - Theme by Mid-Rivers Communications - Best Western Plus Havre Inn & Suites 5:30 - 8:00

## Wednesday - March 5th, 2025

8:30 - 9:30

Blue - Building 8-Meeting Room Construction - How are you tracking jobs? What metrics are you tracking? Contractors hired for new taps? New builds vs growth areas? Red - Building 8-Zumba Room Strengthening the Backbone: Why Cybersecurity is Critical for US Infrastructure - Noah Salasky, CHR Solutions

Green - Warehouse-Bull Room Field Service App - Izzy Gomez & Natalie Roberts, Calix Yellow - Warehouse-Lower Level

9:45 - 10:45 Session 7

Blue - Building 8-Meeting Room Indoor vs Outdoor ONT's. What have you learned? Best Practices, Tips and Tricks

Your path to efficient fiber connectivity from township to rural deployments - Craig Culwell, Commscope Red - Building 8-Zumba Room

Member Self Serve - What are you doing now? Where do you want to get to? What tools do you use? Green - Warehouse-Bull Room

Yellow - Warehouse-Lower Level

10:45 - 11:45 **Session 8** 

Cybersecurity – Protecting customer data, defending your networks, now far do you go to provide security services and/or training to the end

Blue - Building 8-Meeting Room users (employees and customers/members), what tools are you using for end users if applicable?

Red - Building 8-Zumba Room Infrastructure Monitoring - Abdala Kheireddine, Adtran

Green - Warehouse-Bull Room Online Reviews - How are you handling positive and negative ones? How are you handling negative comments on Facebook? Tips and Tricks

Yellow - Warehouse-Lower Level PON Testing - Building, Deploying, Maintaining and Troubleshooting - Carl Goldschmidt, VeEx

12:00 - 1:00 Lunch Provided by Border States & Torgerson's - Vendor Area

1:00 - 2:00 **Closing Session -**

**Post Conference Training** 

2:00 - 5:00 Building 8-Meeting Room Calix Service Cloud, Troubleshooting Tools, Best Practices, Calix Community & University Review

Thursday - March 6th, 2025

8:30-11:30 Building 8-Meeting Room Post-conference Training - Calix Road Show