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Folks -- my recollection -- which is never very reliable -- is that we specifically discussed a BNRT workshop because it is new and very complicated. We did not preclude other topics, but the priority seems clear to me, and critical. The fuel tax and other elements don't compare in novelty or complexity. For those, I think notice and written and voicemail comments suffice, unless Gerry thinks the staff has time.

There's no purity here. One or two workshops in a state this big is largely symbolic -- and principally for the benefit of lobbyists/activists, not the general public. In every case thus far I have found written testimony from the public more helpful than their oral presentations.

Then again, I'm not a politician! So my sensibilities may be dull.