**Gabriel Chan, Project Manager**

Gabriel Chan is an Assistant Professor at the **Humphrey School of Public Affairs** and Affiliate Faculty at the **Law School** at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. has experience researching energy and climate policy for over 10 years. Professor Chan’s recent research has focused on state and national renewable energy policies, community solar, energy innovation, and international climate and sustainable development policy. His writing has appeared in publications such as *The Electricity Journal*, *Nature*, *The Proceedings of the National Academies of Science*, and *The Energy Journal.*

Professor Chan is a faculty member of the **Center for Science, Technology, and Environmental Policy** **(CSTEP)** at the University of Minnesota and is the Principal Investigator of the **Chan Lab**. CSTEP is a nationally recognized academic research center on public issues arising at the intersection of science, technology, environment, and society that shape economic development, environmental sustainability, human health, and well-being. By integrating science with public policy, community action, and multi-sector governance, the center advances the common good in a complex and diverse world. Chan is also a Faculty Associate at **the Institute on the Environment (IonE)** at the University of Minnesota. IonE enables a future where people and planet prosper together through interdisciplinary scholarship and engagement with society outside the academy.

Chan has a PhD in Public Policy from Harvard University and a B.S. in Political Science and in Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Science from M.I.T.

**Ellen Anderson, Project Partner**

Ellen Anderson is Executive Director of the **Energy Transition Lab (ETL)** and Adjunct Associate Professor at the University of Minnesota Law School and Sustainability Studies program. Anderson is an expert on Minnesota energy laws and policies and served many years in the public sector crafting them.

ETL is supported by the University of Minnesota’s Institute on the Environment and the Law School. It leverages University expertise in law, policy, and many other disciplines, in partnership with the public, private, community, and nonprofit sectors, to help solve our biggest energy challenges for the future. ETL conducts research and analysis relating to renewable energy and has numerous collaborations with Minnesota energy stakeholders, including utilities.

Anderson served in the Minnesota Senate from 1993 to 2011 and was re-elected five times, representing several neighborhoods of St. Paul and the city of Falcon Heights. She chaired the Jobs, Energy and Community Development Committee; the Commerce Committee; the Energy and Telecommunications Committee; and the Environment, Energy and Natural Resources Finance Committee. From 2012 to 2014, Anderson was Senior Advisor on Energy and Environment to Governor Mark Dayton and assisted the state Environmental Quality Board (EQB). From 2011 to 2012 she was Chair of the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission.

Anderson has a J.D. *cum laude* from the University of Minnesota and a B.A. from Carleton College.

**Lissa Pawlisch, Project Partner**

Lissa Pawlisch is the **Clean Energy Resource Teams (CERTs)** Director for the University of Minnesota Extension’s Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships. Over the past fifteen years she has guided CERTs—a unique program partnership designed to connect individuals and communities to the resources they need to identify and implement community scale clean energy projects. After an environmental consulting stint, she got her Masters in Science, Technology and Environmental Policy. Lissa is passionate about working directly with communities to help them understand their energy options, the values that drive their projects, how technologies and practices can be deployed, and how to harness community capacity to affect change. Her current focus areas include assisting local jurisdictions with clean energy, advancing collaborations with utilities, and community solar gardens.

Pawlisch has a M.S. in Science, Technology, and Environmental Policy from the University of Minnesota and a B.A. from Macalester College.