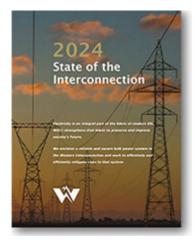
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WECC Releases 2024 State of the Interconnection

This annual report informs WECC stakeholders on a range of issues that affect the reliability and security of the Western Interconnection. This year's edition examines seven issues, including resources, transmission, and policy, and highlights how the industry is contending with them.

The State of the Interconnection does not issue findings or recommendations as can be found in WECC assessments. Instead, it is an overview of the trends that affect reliability and security. View the report today at <u>wecc.org</u> or pick up a hard copy at the Spring 2024 Joint CREPC-WIRAB meeting next month in Denver.

WestTEC–Western Transmission Expansion Coalition

A coalition of diverse stakeholders in the Western Interconnection has formed WestTEC, through the Western Power Pool, to develop an actionable interconnection-wide transmission plan.

There is an opportunity for WECC to contribute to the analytical work that is required to produce the transmission plan. Peak RC donated funds back to WECC upon Peak's dissolution. These are statutory funds, meaning the money can only be used for projects that are focused on reliability and security in the Western Interconnection. WECC is exploring what a donation of Peak funds would require. As an initial step, the Peak funds are identified in the 2025 WECC Business Plan and Budget–giving all stakeholders notice and an opportunity to comment.

WECC will continue to involve stakeholders as the situation develops. If there are questions or feedback from stakeholders, please direct them to engage@wecc.org.

WECC's Reliability Risk Priorities

Every two years, WECC updates its Reliability Risk Priorities (RRP), identifying and addressing the most pressing risks to the bulk power system in the Western Interconnection. These risk priorities guide much of WECC's work. WECC encourages stakeholders to comment at <u>wecc.org</u>.

Interregional Transfer Capability Study Update

NERC is leading the Interregional Transfer Capability Study (ITCS), an assessment of the reliable transfer of electric power between neighboring transmission planning regions in the United States. WECC is working with stakeholders, including the regional planning organizations (Order 1000 entities), to contribute data and analyses on behalf of the Western Interconnection. The study must be filed with FERC by December 2, 2024. For more information see <u>wecc.org</u> and <u>nerc.com</u>.

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