

Hot Off the Press

Board of Directors Meeting
Join us for the quarterly Board of Directors and associated meetings in Salt Lake City, Utah, on March 11 and 12. Check out the announcement [here](#).

- Meetings will include—
- [Governance Committee](#)
 - [Section 4.9 Work Group](#)
 - [Finance and Audit Committee](#)
 - [Technical Session: Large Loads](#)
 - [Member Advisory Committee](#)
 - [Board of Directors](#)

Assessment of Large Load Interconnection Risks in the Western Interconnection
WECC has teamed up with Elevate Energy Consulting to assess the risks related to large load interconnections in the West. This [report](#) informs stakeholders about the rapid growth of large loads and the reliability challenges posed by facilities like data centers, cryptocurrency mining operations, and transportation electrification.

British Columbia Align Implementation
In March, WECC will begin Align implementation for entities in British Columbia. Attend an upcoming training session for instructions and a demonstration of Align. These sessions cover Self-Reports and Mitigation Plans.

- [March 13, 1:00–2:30 p.m. Pacific](#)
- [March 18, 9:30–11:00 a.m. Pacific](#)

REGISTER NOW—Reliability & Security Workshop
March 25–26
Join us for the Reliability & Security Workshop in Tempe, Arizona, or virtually in Whova. Our workshops support Registered Entity compliance programs with robust, relevant content promoting the reliability and security of the Western Interconnection.

The workshop [agenda](#) will focus on programmatic guidance for NERC Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Programs (CMEP), outline WECC priorities, discuss industry best practices, and share valuable insights from the Western Interconnection. Participants will leave equipped to develop and enhance their NERC compliance programs. View the [announcement](#) and [register](#) today!

Reliability in the West Discussion Series
The Reliability in the West Discussion Series will now take place on Wednesday, April 9, at 11:00 a.m. Mountain to prevent a scheduling conflict with the CREPC/WIRAB meeting, allowing full participation for all stakeholders.

Grid Gatherings: Upcoming Meetings

Join the Reliability Risk Committee Steering Committee (RRCSC) meeting from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mountain on [Monday](#), March 10.

Attend the Governance Committee from 10:15 to 10:45 a.m. Mountain on [Tuesday](#), March 11.

Dial in to the Oscillations Analysis Work Group (OAWG) meeting from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Mountain on [Tuesday](#), March 11.

Engage with the Section 4.9 Work Group from 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Mountain on [Tuesday](#), March 11.

Come to the Finance and Audit Committee (FAC) meeting from 1:00 to 2:15 p.m. Mountain on [Tuesday](#), March 11.

Call in to the Underfrequency Load Shedding Work Group (UFLSWG) meeting from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Mountain on [Tuesday](#), March 11.

Participate in the Technical Session: Large Load Impacts on the Bulk Power System from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Mountain on [Tuesday](#), March 11.

Meet with the Member Advisory Committee (MAC) from 3:45 to 5:00 p.m. Mountain on [Tuesday](#), March 11.

Attend the Board of Directors Meeting from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. Mountain on [Wednesday](#), March 12.

Connect with the Production Cost Data Subcommittee (PCDS) from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Mountain on [Wednesday](#), March 12.

Come learn at the WREGIS User Training: Generating Unit Registration from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Mountain on [Wednesday](#), March 12.

Join the Telecommunications Subcommittee (TCOMS) from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Mountain on [Thursday](#), March 13 and from 8:00 a.m. to noon on Friday, March 14.

Engage with the Long-term Transmission Planning Task Force (LTPTF) from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Mountain on [Thursday](#), March 13.

Participate in the WREGIS User Training: Generating Unit Documentation from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Mountain on [Thursday](#), March 13.

Attend the British Columbia Align Training: Access, Self-Reports, and Mitigation from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Mountain on [Thursday](#), March 13.


Stay engaged and make your voice heard in these essential discussions.

We’re Hiring



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Nikola Tesla predicted which of the following technologies?
A) Smartphones
B) Wi-Fi
C) Self-driving cars
D) All the above

Time to Act

GridSecCon 2025—Submit Abstracts Now
NERC, the Electricity Information Sharing and Analysis Center (E-ISAC), and WECC are pleased to announce the call for abstracts for GridSecCon 2025, taking place October 7–10 at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas, Nevada. Presenting provides a unique platform to:

- Elevate your position as an industry leader.
- Showcase your expertise, innovative research, or field advancements to industry professionals.
- Engage with cybersecurity and physical security experts, fostering knowledge exchange and collaboration.

As we continue to advance the dialog on cybersecurity, physical security, and other relevant industry trends, we invite grid security professionals and decision-makers, asset owners and operators, and experts from industry and government to share their insights and best practices.

- Submission Details:
- Themes: Submissions across a broad range of topics are encouraged, including cybersecurity, physical security, and emerging trends and challenges within the electric sector such as ransomware, drones, AI, and more.
 - Format: Abstracts should be limited to 350 words, outlining the main objectives, significant themes, and overall relevance to the conference.
 - Deadline: Friday, April 4, by 11:59 p.m. Eastern.

Submit your abstract [here](#). Abstracts will be evaluated by a panel of experts and selected based on their relevance, originality, and clarity. Notification of acceptance will be sent by April 28. For further details about the conference and submission guidelines, visit the [E-ISAC website](#).

IBR Registration Initiative Request for Information
The Regional Entities, as part of a broader ERO Enterprise initiative, are identifying assets that meet the new Category 2 Generator Owner (GO) or Generator Operator (GOP) registration criteria. They are sending Requests for Information (RFI) to entities who likely own or operate these Category 2 assets for assessment. The selection of entities for RFIs is based on WECC’s review of data from Transmission Owners, Balancing Authorities, or the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) to facilitate registration.

- WECC began dispatching its RFIs in batches starting on January 24. Recipients must submit the requested information within 45 days via WECC’s [Secure Workspace](#). The submission includes:
- Completing the “4b Category 2 GO GOP Assets” section of the [ERO Enterprise GO GOP Asset Verification Form](#);
 - Providing operational one-line diagrams that show the IBRs (including the Collector System – Feeders + Resources) and the Point of Interconnection to the Bulk Power System;
 - Submitting Generator Operator Service Agreements or Third-Party Agreements; and
 - Providing Generator Interconnection Agreements.

For any questions about this RFI or the IBR Registration Initiative, please contact registration@wecc.org.

Reminder to Entities that Follow Daylight Saving Time
For entities that follow Daylight Saving Time (DST), on March 9, the clock was set to DST. Systems that follow DST should eliminate the readings for their time zone Hour Ending (HE) 0300. For questions, please contact [Tim Reynolds](#).

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Save the Date for FERC–NERC Joint Supply Chain Workshop
FERC and NERC will hold a [workshop](#) on March 20 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Eastern at FERC (888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426).

The workshop will focus on the assessment aspect of supply chain risk management (SCRM). It will include a discussion on the proposed directive in FERC’s September 19, 2024, [Notice of Proposed Rulemaking](#) (NOPR) in FERC Docket No. RM24-4-000. This NOPR requires entities to establish SCRM plans that validate the completeness and accuracy of information from vendors during the procurement process. This will better inform the identification and assessment of supply chain risks associated with vendors’ software, hardware, or services.

SERC System Operator Conferences
SERC’s System Operator Conferences (SOC) provide NERC-certified System Operators with the opportunity to earn Continuing Education Hours (CEH). Open to all industry professionals, these in-person conferences will take place four times in 2025.

- The theme for 2025 SOC is “Navigating the Changing Energy Landscape.” The conference details and registration can be accessed through [SERC University](#) (SERC.U). Registration for all 2025 SOC is now open, with the following sessions available:
- **SOC #1: April 8–10**—Embassy Suites; Greenville, South Carolina
 - **SOC #2: May 6–8**—SERC Office; Charlotte, North Carolina
 - **SOC #3: September 9–11**—Embassy Suites; Little Rock, Arkansas
 - **SOC #4: October 14–16**—SERC Office; Charlotte, North Carolina

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D) All the above.
Nikola Tesla was born in 1856 in Smiljan, Croatia. He is known for his contributions to the design of the modern alternating current electricity supply system. Tesla was a visionary of future technological progress. He predicted smartphones, Wi-Fi, self-driving cars, and the possible rise of artificial intelligence.