

Weekly Update

May 19-23, 2025





WECC News

Reliability in the West Discussion Series: Cybersecurity

June 4, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Join us for the Reliability in the West Discussion. Our panelists will explore the current cybersecurity threat landscape and share strategies for risk mitigation, including the impact of AI and the use of cloud services.

Western Interconnection Weekly Wildfire Update

Stay informed about wildfire risks by visiting WECC's <u>weekly summary</u>, which provides an overview of potential threats to the bulk power system. This summary will keep you up-to-date throughout the wildfire season.

Board of Directors Candidates

The Nominating Committee conducted an extensive search for director candidates and is excited to share the slate of candidates for one incumbent director and two new directors. If elected, candidates will serve three-year terms, commencing at the September 18 Annual Member Meeting. Ballots were sent May 12 for the following candidates:

Click on the candidate's name to read their bio

- James Avery, incumbent Director
- Deneen DeFiore
- Jacinda Woodward



Electrifying Trivia

What was the biggest cause of global power outages in 2024?

- A Cyberattacks
- **B** Extreme Weather
- C Equipment Failure
- **D** Fuel Shortages



We're Hiring

Power Systems Security Conference

August 12–14

Power systems security is vital to maintaining the reliability of the grid. To foster conversation and activity that support security, WECC is hosting its third annual Power Systems Security Conference. The conference will address innovative solutions and insights from renowned security experts to enhance training and mitigate operational risks. Experts from DHS CISA, FBI, Idaho National Labs, E-ISAC, and WECC will share their experience, insights, and best practices.

The conference will be held at the WECC office in Salt Lake City from August 12 to 14. It will consist of two main sessions, with a day and a half dedicated to physical security and a day and a half focused on cybersecurity. To attend all three days, please <u>buy</u> a ticket for each of the sessions.



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ERO Happenings

NERC 2025 Summer Reliability Assessment Published NERC published its 2025 Summer Reliability Assessment, which finds an elevated risk of an elevated risk of electricity supply shortfalls in parts of North America when electricity demand peaks this summer.

View the accompanying infographic and video.

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Register Now for the Milestone 3 Industry Engagement Workshop

> In-person Registration

Webinar Registration NERC's hybrid workshop will be held June 3–5, at the Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City in Arlington, Virginia. It will focus on industry comments about the following projects:

- Project 2020-06—Verifications of Models and Data for Generators
- 2. Project 2021-01—System Model Validation with IBRs
- 3. Project 2022-02—Uniform Modeling Framework for IBRs

Explore the comments received during the balloting period, and questions raised during outreach. Breakout sessions will provide opportunities to discuss the relevant standards and to integrate industry comments into these standards. Breakout sessions are for in-person attendees only.

Workshop Schedule
June 3 Large Group Conference (hybrid)
June 4 Large Group Conference (hybrid)
June 4 Project Breakout Session (in-person only)
June 5 Project Breakout Session (in-person only)

Grid Gatherings

MAY 21

PCDS - Production Cost Data Subcommittee

Location Virtual

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Date & Time (Mountain)

Wednesday, May 21, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

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CSF - Cybersecurity Forum

Location Virtual

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Date & Time (Mountain)

Wednesday, May 21, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

MAY 23

WECC-0156: VAR-001-5 Voltage and Reactive Control Modification to the WECC Regional Variance Drafting Team Meeting

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Location Virtual

Date & Time (Mountain)

Friday, May 23, 2:00-4:00 p.m.



Electrifying Trivia Answer

Storms, floods, and heatwaves in 2024 wrecked grids worldwide, from hurricanes in the U.S. to typhoons in Asia. Weather's the top culprit.



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