

Studies Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2022

Virtual

1. Welcome, Call to Order

Philip Augustin, Studies Subcommittee (StS) Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. MT on April 26, 2022. A quorum was present to conduct business. A list of attendees is attached as Exhibit A.

2. Review WECC Antitrust Policy

Mr. Jensen, read aloud the WECC Antitrust Policy statement. The meeting agenda included a link to the posted policy.

3. Approve Agenda

Mr. Augustin introduced the proposed meeting agenda.

On a motion by David Le, the StS approved the agenda.

4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Mr. Augustin introduced the minutes from the meeting on January 19, 2022, and March 23, 2022.

On a motion by David Le, the StS approved the minutes from January 19, 2022, and March 23, 2022.

5. Review Previous Action Items

Mr. Augustin reviewed action items carried over from the StS meeting on March 23, 2022. Action items that are not closed and will be carried forward can be found here.

6. Outages

Enoch Davies, System Stability Manager, discussed the Revelstoke plus Rush Creek generation, and the Palo Verde plus Rush Creek outages. There is a white paper on BAL-003 that assists with resource lost protection criteria.



7. Feedback addressed—Extreme Natural Events (ENE)

Bhavana Katyal, Senior System Adequacy Engineer, presented an overview of how feedback was addressed for the Extreme natural Events assessment.

The presentation is posted to the WECC website.

On a motion by Peter Mackin, the StS approved the Extreme Natural Events Assessment.

8. Annual Progress Report Summary

Doug Tucker, Senior System Stability Engineer, presented an overview of the 2022 Annual Progress Report. The reports were compiled and posted on the WECC website.

The presentation is posted on the WECC website.

On a motion by Louis Vigil, the StS approved the 2022 Annual Progress Report.

9. Public Path Rating Catalog Update

Mr. Tucker gave an update on the survey results from the public path rating catalog. The StS held a discussion on if there is a need for a public path rating catalog. Mr. Tucker will create a mock version of what information it would contain and will look like. Mr. Tucker will present it during the next meeting.

10. EDTF Update

Fred Heutte, Environmental Data Task Force (EDTF) chair gave presented an update on the EDTF. The next meeting will be held July 22, 2022, or July 29, 2022.

The presentation is posted on the WECC website.

11. Status update on Long-Duration Storage Study

Stan Holland, Senior System Adequacy Engineer, presented the status of the long duration Storage Study. The next meeting will be held April 13, 2022.

The presentation is posted on the WECC website.

12. Lessons Learned and Recommendations from the 2020-2021 Assessments

Ms. Katyal gave an update on the lessons learned and recommendations from the 2020-2021 Extreme Natural Events Study. The StS discussed the need to have quality data and more participation before continuing the project. The StS discussed that having a round trip power flow (PF) will be helpful along with easier access to find the study results.



Tyler Butikofer, System Adequacy Engineer, presented the lessons learned for the Variability in the Loads and Resources study. The entire study program ran great and there was a podcast recorded for every study.

The presentation is posted to the WECC website.

Jon Jensen, System Adequacy Engineer, presented lessons learned for the Impact of High Distributed Energy Resources. The study brought up ideas of additional items to study in the future.

The presentation is posted to the WECC website.

Mr. Tucker gave an update on the lessons learned for the Changes in System Inertia. Operating and planning cases were used. A follow up study will be done due to the low inertia.

Mike Bailey, Senior System Adequacy, presented the lessons learned for the 2040 Clean Energy Scenarios. The StS held a discussion about creating ensembles of loads and resources based on drivers of change.

The presentation is posted to the WECC website.

Kirha Quick gave an update on the overall study planning and process. The information provided by WECC's liaisons will be reviewed and changes will be made to the study processes if needed.

13. SWG Update

Amy Mignella, Scenario Work Group (SWG) chair gave a SWG update. The work for 2022 has not started yet. They will be regrouping July of 2022.

14. Ideas for next study cycle—Discussion

The StS held an open discussion about ideas for the next study cycle. After the Anchor Data Set (ADS) is complete there will be a review on how to apply it to the reliability risks. The WECC Board is currently holding a reliability workshop that will head lead and prioritize the studies.

15. UFLSWG Update

Hari Singh, Underfrequency Load Shedding Work Group (UFLSWG) Chair, presented an update on the UFLSWG. There will be an assessment done the middle of this year. A methodology document update based on comments was received. The redline version is available on the UFSLG will be on the WECC website by the end of this week. Mr. Singh will be stepping down as the UFLWG Chair by the end of this week.



16. Public Comment

No comments were offered.

17. Review New Action Items

- Present a test version of the public path rating catalog during the next StS meeting.
 - o Assigned To: Doug Tucker
 - o Due Date: July 12, 2022
- Find out how many people listened to the WECC study podcasts and give an update during the next StS meeting.
 - o Assigned To: Jon Jensen
 - o Due Date: July 12, 2022
- Provide the reliability risk list and find someone to report it during the July meeting.
 - o Assigned To: Jon Jensen
 - o Due Date: July 12, 2022
- Send poll to see who would like to attend in-person StS meetings.
 - o Assigned To: Jon Jensen
 - o Due Date: July 12, 2022

18. Upcoming Meetings

 July 12-13, 2022
 Virtual*

 November 1-2, 2022
 Virtual*

*Meeting may be virtual due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

19. Adjourn

Mr. Augustin adjourned the meeting without objection at 5:00 p.m.



Exhibit A: Attendance List

Members in Attendance

Philip Augustin	Salt River Project
Scott BeyerWestern	Power Pool (formerly Northwest Power Pool Corporation)
Thomas Carr	Western Interstate Energy Board
Ken Che	Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County
Chris Gilden	Tri-State Generation and Transmission—Reliability
Jeff Hanson	
Fred Heutte	
Jon Jensen	WECC
Lesley Kayser-Sprouse	Hetch Hetchy Water and Power
David Le	
Peter Mackin	
Jake Maxfield	PacifiCorp
Bradley Postovoit	Southern California Edison Company
Eepsita Priye	Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Dipendra Rai	British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Karen Reedy	Public Service Company of New Mexico
Chifong Thomas	
Louis Vigil	El Paso Electric Company
Janice Zewe	Sacramento Municipal Utility District
Members not in Attendance	
Nayeem Mohammad Abdullah	
Robby Anderst	Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Waseem Arif	
Eric Bahr	
Aseem Bhatia	
Ben Brownlee	Energy Strategies



Ron Calvert	
Shawn Carlson	Basin Electric Power Cooperative
David Cathcart	Bonneville Power Administration — Transmission
Desmond Chan	Seattle City Light
Tom Christensen	Basin Electric Power Cooperative
Patrick Corrigan	Public Service Company of Colorado (Xcel Energy)
Thomas Duane	Public Service Company of New Mexico
Jonathon Flores	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Thomas Flynn	
Alex Fratkin	
Jennifer Galaway	Portland General Electric Company
William Gibson	Hetch Hetchy Water and Power
Laurie Hammack	Seattle City Light
Scott Harding	
Kody Heppner	
Bryant Hicks	Salt River Project
Bill Hosie	PSI Power System Innovation Corp.
Robert Jackson	
Christopher Kulink	Portland General Electric Company
May Le	
John Liang	Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County
Todd Lichtas	
Chelsea Loomis	Western Power Pool (formerly Northwest Power Pool Corporation)
Richard Maguire	
Daniel McGuire	Salt River Project
Pete Mensonides	
Patrick MontPlaisir	
Valeriy Jr. Oleshko	



Mark Pigman	Tacoma Power
Ebrahim Rahimi	California Independent System Operator
Daniel Ramirez	Energy Strategies
Faranak Sarbaz	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Erik Schellenberg.	Idaho Power Company
Masoud Shafa	California Department of Water Resources
Amy Sopinka	British Columbia Ministry of Energy and Mines
April Spacek	Avista Corporation
Jan Strack	San Diego Gas and Electric
Spencer Tacke	
Angela Tanghetti	
Khanh Thai	Tacoma Power
David Tovar	El Paso Electric Company
Patrick Truong	Sacramento Municipal Utility District
Yu (David) Wang	San Diego Gas and Electric
Curtis Westhoff	Idaho Power Company
Di Xiao	Southern California Edison Company
Xiaofei (Sophie) Xu	Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Dennis Yegorov	PacifiCorp
Kevin Zhang	British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Wenjuan (Wendy) Zhang	Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Others in Attendance	
Logan Affleck	
Michael Bailey	
Kent Bolton.	
Tyler Butikofer	
Jyotsna Chatrati	
Chris Corral.	El Paso Electric Company



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Enoch Davies	WECC
Alex Ford	
Stan Holland	
Bhavana Katyal	
BK Ketineni	
Nicole Lee	
Shruti Maken	British Columbis Ministry of Energy and Mines
Amy Mignella	Tribal Energy Policy Consultant
Rafael Molano	Bonneville Power Administration
Kirha Quick	
Mohammadall Rostami	
Hari Singh	Public Service Company of Colorado (Xcel Energy)
Khanh Thai	City of Tacoma
Doug Tucker	WECC
Byron Woertz	WECC
onathon Young	Bonneville Power Administration
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