

1. Welcome, Call to Order

Dale Dunckel, MAC Budget Subcommittee (MBS) Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. MT on April 15, 2025. A quorum was present to conduct business. A list of attendees is attached as Exhibit A.

2. Review WECC Antitrust Policy

Adam Jensen, Controller, read aloud the WECC Antitrust Policy statement. The policy can be found on wecc.org.

3. Approve Agenda

Mr. Dunckel introduced the proposed meeting agenda.

On a motion by Sophie Hayes, the MBS approved the agenda.

4. Review and Approve Previous Minutes

Mr. Dunckel introduced the minutes from the meeting on April 1, 2025.

On a motion by Grace Anderson, the MBS approved the minutes from April 1, 2025.

5. Review Previous Action Items

Previous action items were not reported.

6. Discuss 2026 Draft Budget and MBS Recommendations

The MBS discussed the NEL cost allocation methodology and ultimately decided not to include a recommendation on that topic at this time but will note in the report that it is still a stakeholder concern.

The MBS also discussed the option of using reserves and requested a copy of WECC's current reserve policy. The MBS also requested information from WECC on how penalties have worked in the past and what future penalties might look like.

The MBS agreed on the next due date for the recommendation draft and comments and discussed further needed updates.

7. Public Comment

Eric Baran confirmed WIRAB would review the monthly budget during its May 1, 2025, meeting.

8. Review New Action Items

- Add section regarding the NEL discussion to the recommendations document.
 - Assigned To: Brian Theaker
 - Due Date: April 15, 2025
- Provide guidance on WECC’s preference related to use of reserves to offset assessments in 2026.
 - Assigned To: Jillian Lessner
 - Due Date: April 22, 2025
- Look into details on previous penalty violations (what caused the penalty and is it possible such penalties might happen in the future?).
 - Assigned To: Jillian Lessner
 - Due Date: April 22, 2025
- Change “Cost to End User” table in the recommendation to a narrative format.
 - Assigned To: Brian Theaker
 - Due Date: April 15, 2025
- Send updated recommendation document to MBS.
 - Assigned To: Sophie Hayes
 - Due Date: April 17, 2025
- Provide comments on updated recommendations document.
 - Assigned To: MBS
 - Due Date: April 25, 2025

9. Review Upcoming Meetings

April 22, 2025..... Virtual
April 28, 2025..... Virtual
May 1, 2025..... Virtual

10. Adjourn

Mr. Dunckel adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:56 p.m.



Exhibit A: Attendance List

Members in Attendance

Dale Dunckel.....Public Utility District No 1 of Okanogan County
Brian Theaker..... Middle River Power, LLC
Sophie Hayes..... Western Resource Advocates
Grace Anderson..... California Energy Commission
Evan Valeriote.....Alberta Electric System Operator

Members Not in Attendance

Shaun Foster..... Portland General Electric

