

Studies Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

Virtual

September 4, 2025

2:00 to 3:30 p.m. MDT

1. Welcome, Call to Order

Eepsita Priye, Studies Subcommittee (StS) Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. MDT on September 4, 2025. A quorum was present to conduct business. A list of attendees is attached as Exhibit A.

2. Review WECC Antitrust Policy

Matt Zapotocky, Senior Reliability Assessments Engineer, read aloud the WECC Antitrust Policy statement. The policy can be found on wecc.org.

3. Approve Agenda

E. Priye introduced the proposed meeting agenda.

On a motion by Ron Calvert, the StS approved the agenda.

4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

E. Priye introduced the minutes of the meeting on April 22, 2025.

On a motion by Jeff Hanson, the StS approved the minutes of the meeting on April 22, 2025.

5. Review Previous Action Items

Nicole Lee, Senior Administrative Assistant, reviewed action items carried over from the StS meeting on April 22, 2025. Action items that are not closed and will be carried forward can be found on wecc.org.

6. Proposed Modifications to Path Rating Process

Christopher Feck-Stoudt, Salt River Project, presented the proposed modifications to the Path Rating Process. M. Zapotocky will email the proposed modifications of the *Path Rating Process* and the *Path Task Force Recommendation* to the StS. The StS will reply to the email with comments, which M. Zapotocky will consolidate for review at the next meeting.

7. Annual Progress Reports

Doug Tucker, Senior Reliability Assessments Engineer, presented the Annual Progress Report.

On a motion by Todd Lichtas, the StS approved the Annual Progress Report.

8. Public Comment

The StS discussed path ratings and flow gate systems. C. Feck-Stoudt has a presentation on this topic that can be forwarded upon request.

9. Review New Action Items

- The StS discussed path ratings and flow gate systems. C. Feck-Stoudt has a presentation on this topic that can be forwarded upon request.
- Assigned To: Matt Zapotocky
- Due Date: September 26, 2025

10. Review Upcoming Meetings

TBD Virtual

11. Adjourn

E. Priye adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:17 p.m.

Exhibit A: Attendance List

Members in Attendance

Brenna Andrews NorthWestern Energy
Laryn Brinkman Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County
Ron Calvert Utility System Efficiencies, Inc.
Tuan Dang Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County
James (Jim) Hadley Black Hills Corporation
Talal Hanna San Diego Gas and Electric
Jeff Hanson Colorado Springs Utilities
Mensur Haskovic Western Area Power Administration
David Le California Independent System Operator
Todd Lichtas Tucson Electric Power
Jake Maxfield PacifiCorp
Michael (Logan) Pokallus Western Area Power Administration
Eepsita Priye Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Jacob Richardson Western Resource Advocates
Sohail Sayeed Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Trevor Schultz Idaho Power Company
Anthony Taylor Black Hills Corporation
Xiaofei (Sophie) Xu Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Cole Youngers Avista Corporation
Matthew Zapotocky WECC
Hayk Zargaryan Southern California Edison Company

Members not in Attendance

Nayeem Mohammad Abdullah Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
Robby Anderst Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Waseem Arif FortisBC, Inc.
Vinson Banh Alberta Department of Energy
Ian Beil Portland General Electric Company
Aseem Bhatia California Department of Water Resources
Shawn Carlson Basin Electric Power Cooperative
David Cathcart Bonneville Power Administration—Transmission
Ken Che Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County
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 California Energy Commission
Chris Gilden Tri-State Generation and Transmission—Reliability
Fred Heutte NW Energy Coalition
Bryant Hicks Salt River Project



Bill Hosie..... PSI Power System Innovation Corp.
Robert Jackson Burns & McDonnell (1898 and Co.)
Christopher Kulink..... Portland General Electric Company
May Le..... Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County
Chelsea Loomis..... Western Power Pool
Daniel McGuire..... Salt River Project
Christopher McLean California Energy Commission
Mitchell Miller..... NorthWestern Energy
Patrick Montplaisir..... Western Area Power Administration
Ebrahim Rahimi California Independent System Operator
Dipendra Rai British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Karen Reedy..... Public Service Company of New Mexico
Benjamin Rodriguez..... El Paso Electric Company
Faranak Sarbaz Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Amanda Sargent WECC
Vijay Satyal Western Resource Advocates
Erik Schellenberg Idaho Power Company
Masoud Shafa California Department of Water Resources
Alejandro Solis El Paso Electric Company
Jan Strack..... San Diego Gas and Electric
Spencer Tacke..... Auriga Corporation
Muhammad Tayyab Western Area Power Administration
Khanh Thai..... Tacoma Power
Chifong Thomas..... Thomas Grid Advisor
Jameson Thornton..... Burns & McDonnell (1898 and Co.)
David Tovar..... El Paso Electric Company
Patrick Truong..... Sacramento Municipal Utility District
Eduardo Uribe..... Western Area Power Administration
Dhayanesh Velusamy Burns & McDonnell (1898 and Co.)
Jeremy Webber FortisBC, Inc.
Dennis Yegorov PacifiCorp
Kevin Zhang..... British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Quinten Ziegler..... Transmission Agency of Northern California

Others in Attendance

Simrit Basrai Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Andrew Fay..... WECC
Chris Fecke-Stoudt..... Salt River Project
David Frederick..... ZGlobal Inc.
Curtis Garner IPCO
Nicole Lee..... WECC
Allen Lewis NERC
Richard Maguire..... Electrical Consultants



Cole Mares..... Salt River Project
Tamal Paul.....WECC
Jarrett Rieman..... Black Hills Corporation
Matt Robinson..... Arizona Public Service
Hari SinghCORE Electric Cooperative
Doug TuckerWECC
Siyuan Wang..... Southern California Edison Company