

# **WREGIS Updates**

### **Andrea Coon**

Director, WREGIS

### **Jillian Lessner**

Chief Financial and Administrative Officer

### **Jeff Droubay**

Vice President and General Counsel





### **Elections Update**

- SAC Chair
  - Chris Leyerle—Puget Sound Energy
- WREGIS Committee Members
  - Ana Stewart—Tesla—Generator Representative
  - Nathan Gallegos—LADWP—Load Serving Entity Representative
  - Maury Galbraith—Colorado Electric Transmission Authority—WECC Representative

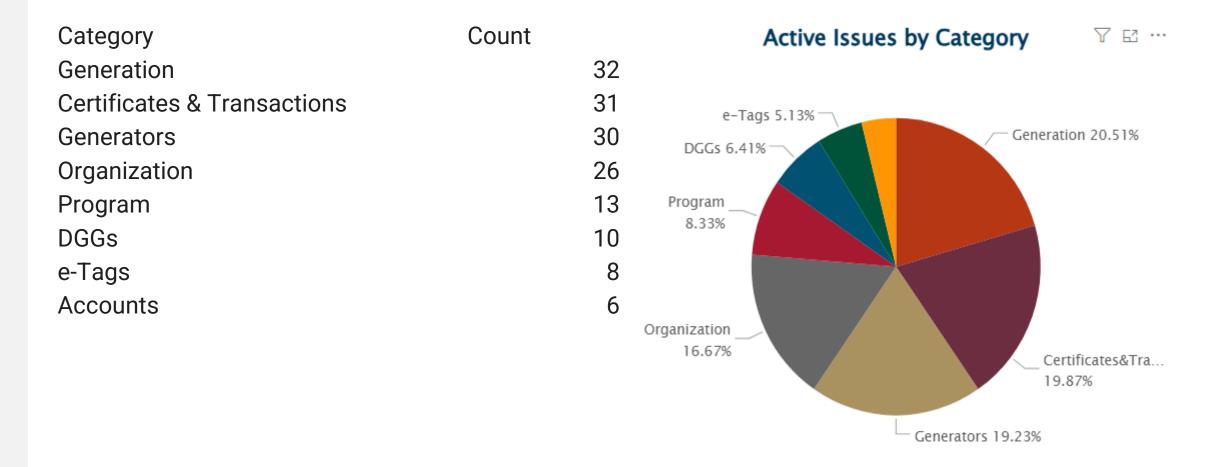


### **Charter Review**

- WREGIS Committee Charter Review Process
  - Review charter—Oct/Nov 2025
  - Recommend changes to the Director—Dec 2025
  - Approve changes—Jan 2026
  - Director presents to the CEO for final approval—Jan 2026
    - Any dissenting opinions are also presented for consideration



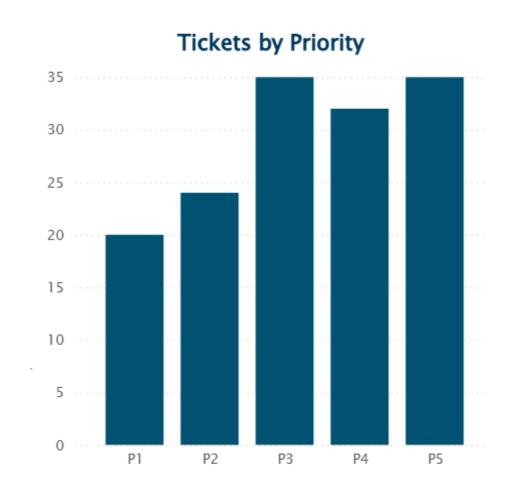
# **Active Issues by Functional Category**

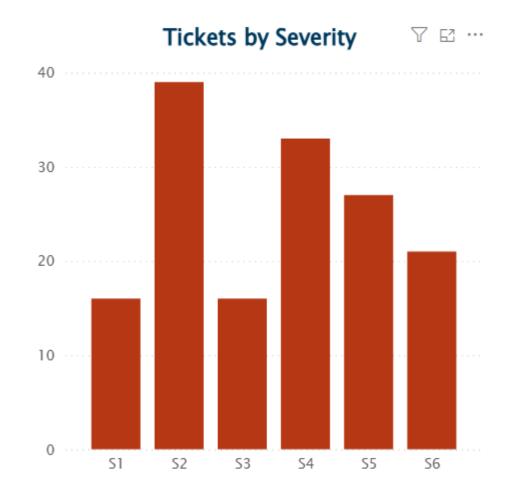




# **Tickets by Priority and Severity**

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# **Pre-Release Testing**

- Individual ticket testing
  - Staff test each ticket to ensure issue is resolved
  - Staff compiles, retests if needed and reports results to CleanCounts
- Regression design
  - Examine system areas that may be impacted
  - Assign testing to staff SME by area
- Regression testing
  - SMEs test per area
  - Staff compiles, retests where needed, and report results to CleanCounts



## **Upcoming Training**

- Certificate Transfer Training
  - Scheduled for October 20, 10-11 MT
  - Emails should go out to Generator and General Organizations by October 13
- End of Year Maintenance Training
  - Scheduled for November 19, 10-11 MT
  - Emails should go out by November 12



# Software Development and WREGIS Transition Updates



## **WECC September Board Meeting Overview**

- Closed Session:
  - Top two RFP responses presented
  - Board approval of authority for WECC to contract with a vendor
- Open Session:
  - Governance and Structure Recommendations
    - Overview of stakeholder comments
    - Board discussion on next steps
  - Draft annual budget for WREGIS as a stand-alone entity



# **Update on Engagement and Outreach Activities**

- Conducted outreach on software project and WREGIS separation from WECC
  - Virtual: monthly Town Halls, monthly participation in WREGIS Committee and Stakeholder Advisory Committee meetings, 1:1s virtually/via phone
  - Written: WREGIS Bulletin, LinkedIn, WECC Weekly, wecc.org announcements,
     WREGIS page announcements, August comment period, e-mail
  - In Person: CEC meeting attended by Melanie Frye, Jeff Droubay, Kris Raper
- Posted structure and governance recommendations for stand-alone WREGIS for comment (August 1-29)



### **Software Development RFP Process**

- Issued <u>RFP</u> on August 1
- Held pre-proposal conference for vendors on August 14
- Scheduled one-on-one meetings with top vendors for team Q&A during week of August 25
- Received 15 responses by due date of August 29
- Reviewed and ranked all proposals during week of September 1
- Held internal meetings to discuss top responses on September 4 and 5
- Hosted presentations for top two firms on September 8
- Asked follow up questions of both during week of September 8
- Checked references
- Top rated responses shared with Board of Directors
- Award announcement is pending contract negotiations



# Opportunities for Stakeholders Through Development Process

- Participation:
  - Pending input from developer on best practices
    - Alpha Testing
    - Beta Testing
    - User Acceptance Testing
    - Software Launch Forum
- Engagement:
  - Town Halls
  - WREGIS Committee
  - WREGIS SAC
  - engage@wecc.org



# **Summary of Recommended Structure and Governance**

501(c)4 Nonprofit Corporation	<ul> <li>Nonprofit structure allows WREGIS to be 100% mission-driven</li> <li>Fits with WREGIS's focus on serving renewable generators and state and provincial renewables programs</li> <li>Provides greater flexibility in government interactions than other nonprofit designations</li> </ul>
Hybrid Board	<ul> <li>WREGIS benefits from the industry expertise and stakeholder engagement and relationships while simultaneously benefiting from the focus on governance and fiduciary responsibilities</li> <li>Diversity of views, expertise, and experience</li> <li>Confidence that the organization is not being run for the benefit of one or a subset of WREGIS's stakeholders</li> </ul>
Stakeholder Advisory Committee	<ul> <li>Transparency into WREGIS's decision-making</li> <li>Perspectives and ideas that may be otherwise missing</li> <li>A sense of joint ownership of key WREGIS issues</li> <li>Leverage relationships across WREGIS's stakeholder community</li> </ul>



### Stakeholder Feedback on Recommended Structure and Governance

- ✓ Sought comments on recommended corporate structure and governance, August 1–29
- ✓ Received 11 sets of comments

### **Key Takeaways from Feedback and Comments**

- You want a transparent, inclusive, thorough approach to separation.
- Stakeholder involvement in board selection, decision-making, and advisory group establishment processes is essential.
- You are asking for transparent information on organizational costs and projected user fees.
- A cost-effective and reliable software service is critical.
- Careful prioritization of software features, costs, and user testing are all important for the software development process.
- You want thorough planning and strong continuity measures.



### **Governance and Structure—Next Steps**



Over the coming months as we continue to define how a future WREGIS might look, we will continue our outreach. We will be seeking input on such things as:

Board of Directors
<ul> <li>☐ How many directors?</li> <li>☐ How will the Board be composed to represent WREGIS's stakeholders?</li> <li>☐ How will stakeholder directors be selected and how long will they serve?</li> <li>☐ How will independent directors be selected and how long will they serve?</li> <li>☐ How will the Board interact with the Stakeholder Advisory Committee?</li> </ul>
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# WREGIS Preliminary Draft Year 1 Budget—Major Assumptions

- 10% revenue growth based on trending
- Six additional positions and shifts of existing budgeted roles
  - To be hired before separation from WECC
  - IT and development resources, CEO, accounting, HR, comms/marketing
- Elimination of overhead allocation and system licensing fees covers incremental costs associated with separation
  - Software development costs to be funded with reserves prior to separation
- Future engagement with stakeholders on budget and fee increases vs use of reserves



# **WREGIS Preliminary Year 1 Draft Budget**

### Western Electricity Coordinating Council

WREGIS Standalone Budget Year 1

As of September 7, 2025

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# **Preliminary FTE Composition**

### Operations—9

- 1. Director
- 2. Program Analysts (6)
- 3. Customer Support Rep
- 4. Auditor

### **Information Technology—8**

- 1. Director
- 2. Developers (2)
- 3. Security Specialist
- 4. System Administrator
- 5. Business Analysts (3)

### **General & Administrative—5**

- 1. CEO
- 2. Accountant
- 3. HR Generalist
- Comms/Marketing Specialist
- Administrative Coordinator



# **Upcoming Events/Milestones**

