



Oversight Trends Update

Data as of February 2, 2026

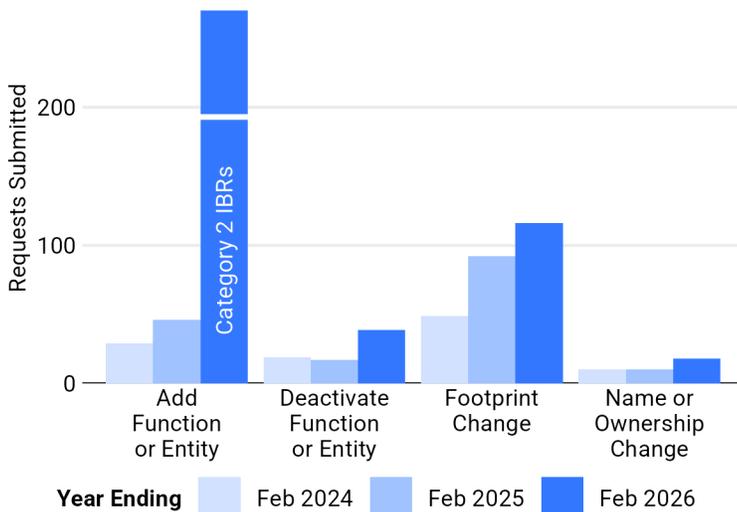
Highlights

- WECC is requiring entities to self-certify compliance for the 2025 monitoring year on grid transformation, physical security, and extreme weather preparedness. WECC will review responses to ensure entities are effectively addressing these priority risks. Self-certification complements other tools by fostering internal audit and continuous improvement practices.
- A recent monitoring activity found one entity demonstrated limited understanding and prioritization of compliance obligations, inconsistent and incomplete processes, missing or outdated documentation, and inadequate internal controls. WECC is engaging at all levels as the entity works to mitigate the residual risk to the interconnection.
- The ERO Enterprise published [guidance for entities](#) on the handling of potential noncompliance during abeyance periods. Entities should contact pncabeyance@wecc.org to report noncompliance where abeyance may apply or to provide standards feedback.

Registration Requests

The Organization Registration and Certification Program (ORCP) registers users, owners, and operators responsible for meeting the requirements of mandatory NERC Reliability Standards. WECC also recommends BC entities for registration with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC).

Observation: New entity registration and function additions for Category 2 Inverter-based Resources (IBR) made up 40% of all requests received in the last 12 months. WECC expects to add around 150 new Category 2 IBR Generator Owners as of May 2026.

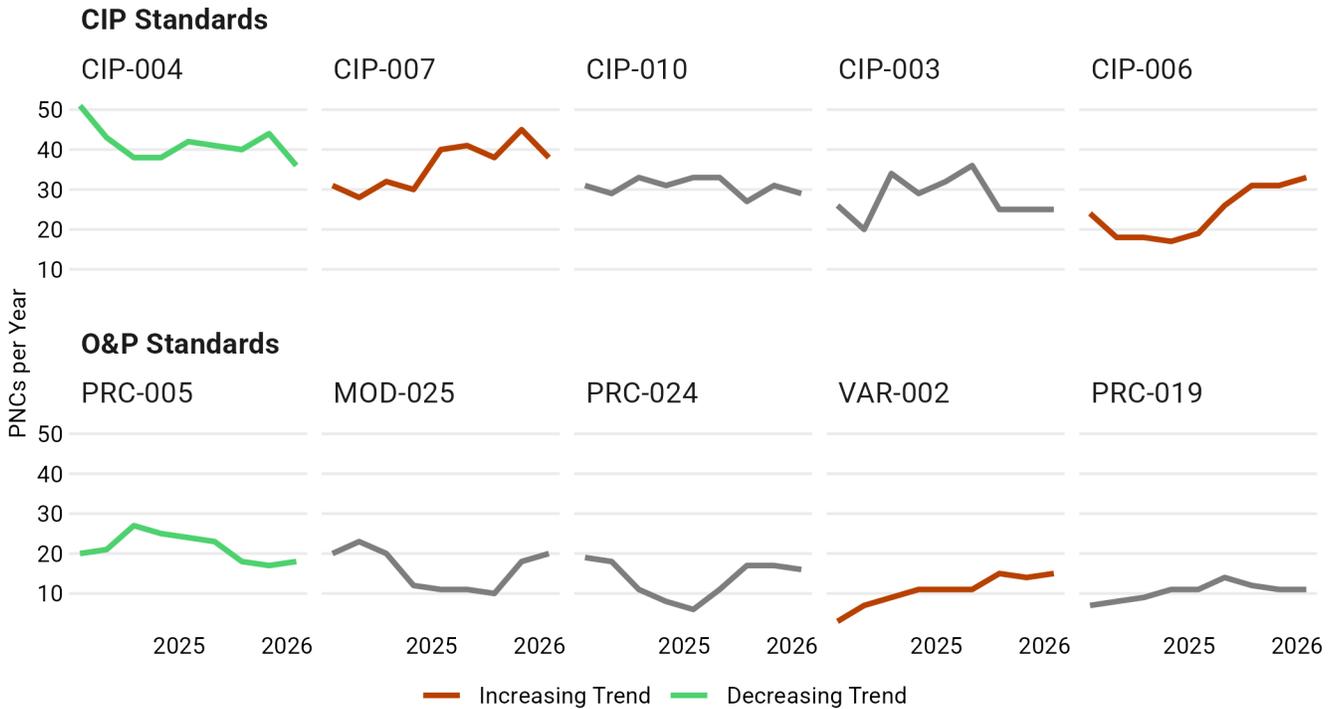


Entities as of Feb 2026				
	US	BC	AB	MX
BA	34	1		
DP/DPUF	80	17		
GO	365	18		
GOP	253	18		
PC	32	1		
RC	2	1		
RP	51	2		
TO	85	4		
TOP	51	3		
TP	67	3		
TSP	34	2		
ISO			1	
Entities	480	31	1	1

Most-Reported Standards

Many factors drive self-report frequency: the strength of industry internal controls, implementation of new standard versions, and compliance program issues affecting multiple related entities. These trends help WECC identify areas for outreach and engagement.

Observation: An increasing proportion of self-reports on top standards come from entities with medium inherent risk. This reflects the evolving responsibilities of these entities as the grid transforms, particularly Generator Operators with rapidly expanding IBR footprints. WECC is engaging these entities with greater scrutiny to ensure they are adequately mitigating this increasing inherent risk.



Legend

CIP-004	Personnel and training	PRC-005	Protection system maintenance
CIP-007	System security management	MOD-025	Generator verification and data reporting
CIP-010	Configuration change management	PRC-024	Frequency and voltage protection settings
CIP-003	Security management controls	VAR-002	Maintaining network voltage schedules
CIP-006	Physical security of BES Cyber Systems	PRC-019	Generator coordination



Most-Monitored Risk Categories

WECC prioritized these risk categories in monitoring engagements over the last 12 months. Objectives for each engagement are based on assessment of the individual entity in the context of regulatory priorities. These vary for entities with high (HIR), medium (MIR), and low (LIR) inherent risk.

Risk Category / Related Standard(s)	Audits and Spot Checks			Self- Certification		
	HIR	MIR	LIR	HIR	MIR	LIR
Asset/System Management and Maintenance CIP-003, CIP-007, CIP-010	X	X	X	X	X	X
Identity Management and Access Control CIP-005, CIP-010	X	X				
Entity Coordination CIP-012	X					
Asset/System Identification CIP-002, TPL-001	X			X	X	X
Asset/System Physical Protection CIP-003, CIP-006		X	X	X	X	X
Emergency Operations Planning EOP-012			X	X	X	X

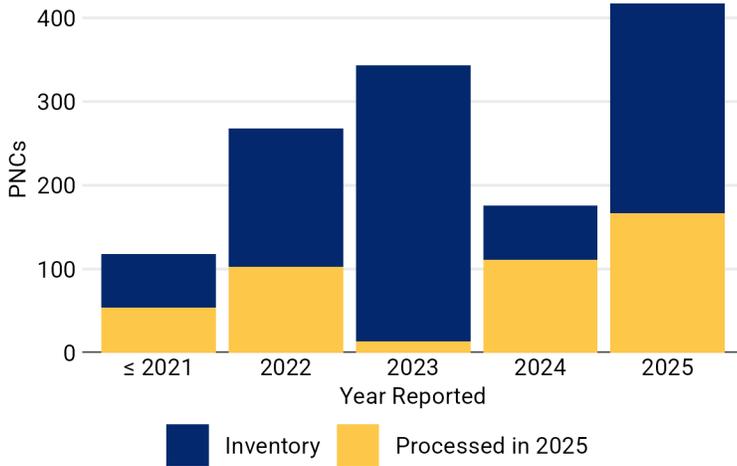
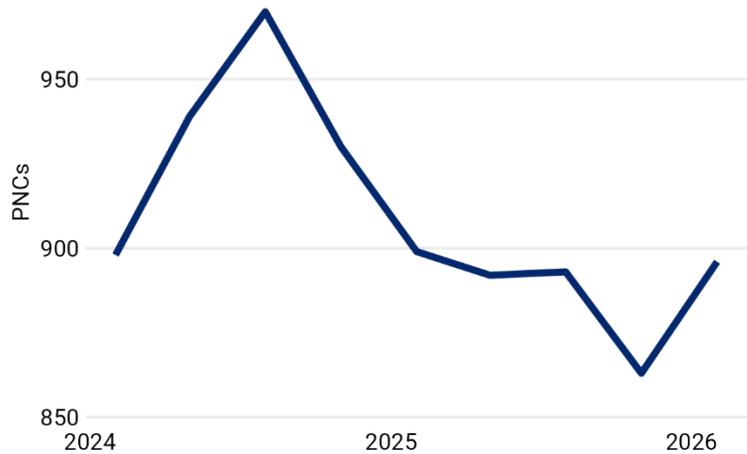
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CIP-003	Security management controls	CIP-010	Configuration change management
CIP-005	Electronic security perimeters	CIP-012	Protection system maintenance
CIP-006	Physical security of BES Cyber Systems	EOP-012	Generator verification and data reporting
CIP-007	System security management	TPL-001	Frequency and voltage protection settings



Enforcement Inventory

The inventory is made up of potential noncompliance (PNC) under review by WECC and pending disposition. Inventory size affects processing times, risk responsiveness, outreach, and resource management.



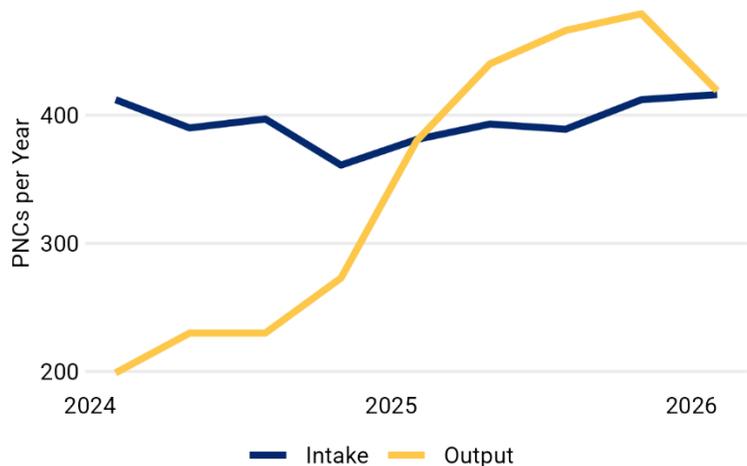
Inventory Age

The ERO Enterprise continues to focus on reducing the volume of open inventory. WECC prioritizes both the oldest and newest cases for enforcement and mitigation processing.

Observation: As a result of this prioritization strategy, in 2025 WECC processed 41% of aged and 45% of new inventory.

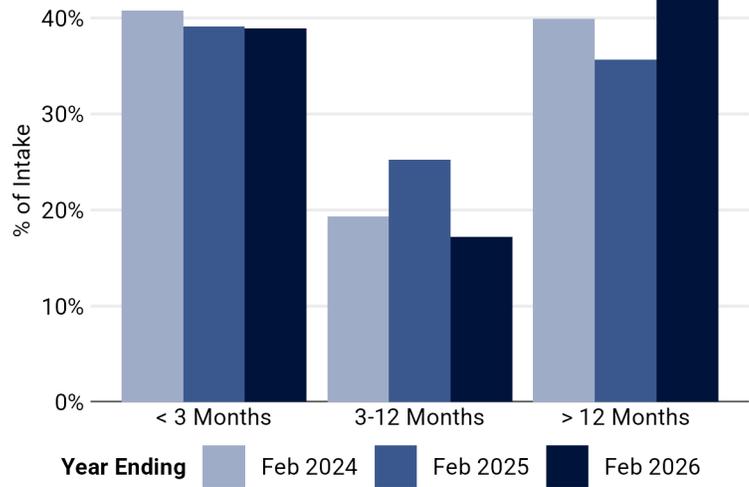
Intake and Output

WECC monitors long-term trends in PNC intake and output as a measure of the effectiveness of the enforcement process to identify, address, and prevent the future recurrence of risks associated with noncompliance.



Detection Time

Time required for an entity to identify noncompliance is a measure of the strength of detective controls. Typical intervals vary by standard and requirement.



Mitigation Time

Entities are encouraged to mitigate issues promptly after discovery. Mitigation includes actions and controls to reduce risk, return to compliance, and prevent future recurrence.

