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# Regional Reliability Standards Announcement

Western Electricity Coordinating Council  
FAC-501-WECC-3

**Comment Period Open through March 11, 2022**

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The Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) requested that NERC post **Regional Reliability Standard FAC-501-WECC-3** for industry review and comment in accordance with the NERC Rules of Procedure.

## **Background**

Proposed Regional Reliability Standard FAC-501-WECC-3 – Transmission Maintenance modifies the currently effective regional standard FAC-501-WECC-2 as follows:

- Adds a Background and a Facilities section;
- Updates Attachment A, with emphasis in Section 2;
- Updates the title to Attachment B and deletes Paths 22, 50, 51, and 73;
- Creates Attachment C, Revision Process; and
- Updates NERC's Compliance section.

The WECC Board of Directors approved the proposed regional standard on December 8, 2021.

## **Commenting**

Use the [Standards Balloting and Commenting System \(SBS\)](#) to submit comments. Contact [Wendy Muller](#) regarding issues with the SBS. The form must be submitted by **8 p.m. Eastern, Friday, March 11, 2022**. An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the [Regional Reliability Standards Under Development](#) page.

- Contact NERC IT support directly at <https://support.nerc.net/> (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern) for problems regarding accessing the SBS due to a forgotten password, incorrect credential error messages, or system lock-out.
- Passwords expire every **6 months** and must be reset.
- The SBS **is not** supported for use on mobile devices.
- Please be mindful of ballot and comment period closing dates. We ask to **allow at least 48 hours** for NERC support staff to assist with inquiries. Therefore, it is recommended that users try logging into their SBS accounts **prior to the last day** of a comment/ballot period.

## Regional Reliability Standards Development Process

Section 300 of [NERC's Rules of Procedures of the Electric Reliability Organization](#) governs the regional reliability standards development process. Although the technical aspects of this Regional Reliability Standard have been vetted through WECC Regional Standards development process, the final approval process for a Regional Reliability Standard requires NERC publicly to notice and request comment on the criteria outlined in the unofficial comment form.

Documents and information about this project are available on the [Western Electricity Coordinating Council \(WECC\) Standards](#) page.

For more information or assistance, contact Reliability Standards Analyst, [Kimberlin Harris](#) (via email) or at (404) 446-9794.

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