

**Members Planning Committee (MPC) Meeting - March 16, 2022**

Minutes captured by Scott Beyer, WPP

## Introductions

Quorum established – 15 parties represented. MPC Chair Zach Zornes kicked off the meeting and Chelsea Loomis introduced guest presenter Dr. Glenn Blackmon.

## Dr. Glenn Blackmon – Washington Department of Commerce

Dr. Blackmon presented 2021 Washington State Energy Strategy.

* WA HB 2311: Reduced GHG emissions by 45% by 2030, 75% by 2040 and 95% by 2050.
* Ensure equitable access to clean energy benefits and opportunities across Washington residents and communities.
* Projecting 90% growth in energy in electricity sector through 2050 due to electrification.
* Imports provide 43% of electricity for electrification case by 2050
* Model permitted up to 6 GW of transmission expansion for 2050 case to accommodate imports from western US states.

## Western Power Pool Name Change

Due to the recent change in domain name from nwpp.org to westernpowerpool.org, some members have reported not receiving emails from WPP staff. Chelsea asked members to let her know if they had not received an email in the past month from WPP.

## EPSC Co-Chair Opportunity

Anticipate Nadine will need to step down soon due to other responsibilities. No formal notification yet, but want MPC members to be aware of upcoming opportunity.

## Study Scope Development Team Update

Load and Resource submittal window is still open for updates. Two regional non-incumbent (PowerBridge and Absaroka Energy) and zero interregional projects have been submitted to-date. Zach requested MPC members be thinking about scenarios that should be evaluated by SSDT.

## Anchor Power Flow Workgroup Update

APFWG is working on placement of resources in the ADS that were identified in WECC L&R submittals but not included through the power flow base case development process. Significant changes in future resources submitted for 2032 compared to 2031 from the prior year L&R submittals. Goal to have ADS case posted by June 30.

## National Planning Study

Study kicked off March 15. Curtis Westhoff attended the webinar and described the scope and timeline of the study. The national labs will perform the analysis with three Technical Review Committee (TRC) workshops and three public webinars to review model and study results. The TRC will be selected by the National Labs, so not sure if we will have representation from Curtis or others in NG on committee at this time.

## Interregional Coordination Meeting

Zach and Rikin shared presentation from March 4 Interregional Coordination Meeting. Points for NorthernGrid to consider:

[NorthernGrid Member Planning Committee - Presentations - All Documents (sharepoint.com)](https://nwppor.sharepoint.com/sites/NG-MPC/Shared%20Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx?id=%2Fsites%2FNG%2DMPC%2FShared%20Documents%2FCommunications%2FPresentations&viewid=c7ec2835%2D31bd%2D4329%2D8fb5%2D4cd315cbb31c) Titled, “2022\_IRC Meeting Summary for NG.pptx”

## Decisions:

Minutes from Feb 2022 meeting were unanimously approved

## Actions:

No new action items

## Representatives:

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| **NorthernGrid Member Attendance** |
| **Member** | **Representative** | **Y** | **Alternate** | **Y** | **Count** | **Observer** | **Y** |
| Avista | John Gross | 0 | April Spacek | 1 | 1 |   | 0 |
| BPA | Berhanu Tesema | 1 | Paul Nguyen | 1 | 1 |   | 0 |
| Chelan | Zach Zornes | 1 | Steve Wickel | 0 | 1 |   | 0 |
| MATL | Sharmen Andrew | 1 |   | 0 | 1 |   | 0 |
| Grant | Tracy Rolstad | 1 | May Le | 0 | 1 |   | 0 |
| IPC | Curtis Westhoff | 1 | Stephen Longmuir | 0 | 1 | Erik Schellenberg | 1 |
| NV Energy | Alex Fratkin | 0 | Charles Pottey | 1 | 1 |   |   |
| NorthWestern | Matt Stajcar | 1 | Kim McClafferty | 1 | 1 |   | 0 |
| PAC | Rikin Shah | 1 | Kishore Patel | 1 | 1 | Brian Fritz | 0 |
| PGE | Jennifer Galaway | 0 | Ian Biel | 0 |   | Shaun Foster | 0 |
| PSE | Erik Olson | 1 | Peter Jones | 0 | 1 | Tuan Dang | 0 |
| SCL | Desmond Chan | 1 | Rob Jones | 0 | 1 | Nima Miri | 1 |
| Sno PUD | Ken Che | 1 | John Martinsen | 0 | 1 | John Liang | 0 |
| Tacoma | Khanh Thai | 0 | Megan Cammarano | 1 | 1 | John Nierenberg | 0 |
| EPSC Enrolled Party Chair | Graham Retzlaff | 1 |   | 0 | 1 |   | 0 |
| EPSC State Chair | Nadine Hanhan | 1 |   | 0 | 1 |   | 0 |
| **Support** |   |   | **Quorum** | Y | **15** |   |  |
| NWPP | Dave Angell | 1 | Chelsea Loomis | 1 |  |  |  |
|   | Scott Beyer | 1 |   | 0 |  |  |  |