

NorthernGrid

FERC Order 1920

Long-Term Regional Transmission
Planning

Stakeholder Engagement Meeting

05/15/2026

Agenda – 05/15/2026

- Welcome and Meeting Management
- Feedback on Attachment K from Stakeholders
 - Introduction
 - Review of recommendation/response
- Additional Feedback from Relevant State Entities
- Updated Attachment K
- Questions and Close

Meeting Management

- To ensure everyone has an opportunity to participate please either:
 - Raise hand to ask a question or comment
 - Use chat to ask questions or comment
- Questions and comments will be limited to 2 minutes per person
- In this meeting, we will review response from previous Stakeholder engagement and update status, where warranted

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Responses to Comments

Introduction

- NorthernGrid has received feedback from both Relevant State Entities and Stakeholders
- Both organizations provided feedback on the September 25, 2025, Attachment K
- Additional engagement with RSEs through the CREPC 1920 Ad-Hoc Committee approximately every two weeks



Cost Allocation Response – RSEs and Stakeholders

- Both the RSEs and Stakeholders provided feedback that NorthernGrid's original proposal to use the same three benefits from Order 1000 for the purposes of Order 1920 cost allocation was insufficient, and that all seven benefits from Order 1920 should be used for cost allocation
- NorthernGrid has modified its Attachment K to use the seven benefits from Order 1920 for the purposes of cost allocation.



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Responses to Stakeholders

Stakeholder Comments Response

1. Use of Benefit/Cost Ratio of 1.25:1 for all scenarios
 - NorthernGrid has determined that we will stick to this B/C Ratio, consistent with our Order 1000 process
 - Ensuring that projects meet this 1.25:1 B/C Ratio for all scenarios provides a “no regrets” approach to selecting projects and is consistent with WestTEC’s approach
2. Recommendation to use Portfolio-Based Planning
 - NorthernGrid’s Attachment K allows for portfolio-based analysis, selection, and cost allocation
3. Including of Non-Jurisdictional Entities in the Planning Process
 - The NorthernGrid Planning Agreement allows for non-jurisdictional entities to participate in the Order 1000 planning process, and the same will be applied for Order 1920.
 - NorthernGrid cannot plan for the needs of non-jurisdictional entities (see FERC Order on WestConnect Planning Region and Order No. 1920-B).



Stakeholder Comments Response

4. Consideration of additional Benefits beyond the Seven Benefits in Order No. 1920

- Consistent with Order No. 1920, the proposed Attachment K neither requires nor precludes the consideration of other benefits in addition to the seven required benefits in the future, potentially on a transmission facility or a plan-specific basis.

5. Measurement of Benefits over the projected life of the infrastructure rather than only 20 years

- NorthernGrid's proposal to measure 20 years of benefits is consistent with Order No. 1920's requirement "to calculate the benefits of Long-Term Regional Transmission Facilities over a time horizon that covers, at a minimum, 20 years starting from the estimated in-service date of the transmission facilities."



Stakeholder Comments Response

6. NorthernGrid's proposal is currently ambiguous in places about whether NorthernGrid or transmission providers are responsible for relevant determinations.

- NorthernGrid has reviewed the Attachment K and made consistency edits. In most instances, the Enrolled Parties of NorthernGrid are the decision-makers.

7. Starting the first Long-Term Regional Transmission Planning Cycle earlier

- NorthernGrid declines to adopt the proposed change. NorthernGrid has proposed that the initial Long-Term Regional Transmission Planning cycle begin at the same time as the start of a Regional Transmission Planning cycle, on January 1, 2028.
- This is consistent with WestConnect, and provides for cleaner data inputs between the Order 1000 process and the Order 1920 process.



Stakeholder Comments Response

8. Revise the definition of “Right-Sizing” by replacing “to instead increase that facility’s transfer capability” with “to meet Long-Term Transmission Needs.”

- The definition of “Right-Sizing” that NorthernGrid has proposed is taken directly from Order No. 1920.

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Responses to Relevant State Entities

Relevant State Entities Response

1. Enhance governance by establishing a States Subcommittee

- The Enrolled Parties Planning Committee Charter, Exhibit C in Attachment K, details how States can discuss proposals and provide feedback to the Enrolled Parties.

2. Allow States and Other Stakeholders to Propose Transmission Projects and Other Potential Solutions

- An Enrolled Party, a Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer, an ITP Proponent, or a Merchant Transmission Developer (each individually referred to as a Project Sponsor) may propose a new transmission project (each a “Sponsored Project”) for evaluation in a Planning Cycle.
- “Alternative Project” means any Sponsored Projects or ITPs (including those carried over from a prior Regional Transmission Plan or Long-Term Regional Transmission Plan, as applicable, and projects submitted by Merchant Transmission Developers), and unsponsored projects if any, including those identified by the Enrolled Parties Planning Committee.



Updated Attachment K

Plan to post Attachment K as soon as possible

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Questions

