

Grid West Update

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Overview



- RRG postponed assessment of bylaws till October 14
 - Done to allow BPA to conduct own review of bylaws
 - Membership voting question carried forward till then
- Other work over next several months
 - Cost control and lessons learned
 - Technical work on beginning state definition
 - Risk and reward study work

Bonneville Review for Bylaws Decision



- Consultation with delegation
- Consultation with regional parties
 - Bonneville customers
 - States
 - RRG participants
 - Other interested parties
- Contract with National Academy of Public Administration
 - Independent, Congressionally chartered research entity
 - Review workability of balance between independent Board and regional stakeholder reviews and checks

Cost Control and Lessons Learned



- Cost control issues
 - What sort of provisions are needed?
 - Are the current provisions in the bylaws adequate?
 - Where else besides bylaws might be appropriate places to consider cost controls?
 - What have been the drivers of cost increases in other grid management organizations, especially US RTOs?
- Contractor hired for technical work will be providing review of the last point during this month
- Other work comparing Grid West bylaws to those of other RTOs to be done by Bylaws Work Group

Other Work



- Major technical work to flesh out the beginning state based on the regional proposal beginning this month – will continue through the fall and winter
- Risk and Reward group meeting to begin work – will continue through the fall and winter