



DSP Work Group Meeting Agenda

Thursday, March 31, 2022

1-4 p.m. PT

[Link to Zoom Meeting](#)

Call-In: 971-247-1195 – Meeting ID: 833 3075 6881 – Passcode: 2003319872

Agenda

- 1:00 p.m. Welcome, introductions, agenda review - Nick Sayen, PUC Staff
- 1:15 p.m. Questions/clarifications/etc. on follow up materials from March 10, 2022, meeting - All participants
<http://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HAH/um2005shah103546.pdf>
- 1:20 p.m. Questions for clarification, if any received - Nick Sayen
- 1:30 p.m. Working Subgroups – Review of Staff’s follow up on March 10, 2022, meeting input (below) - All participants
- 1:45 p.m. Working Subgroups – Staff’s proposed next steps (below) - All participants
- 2:30 p.m. Break
- 2:45 p.m. PGE led discussion: near-term action plan and other distribution investments
- 3:45 p.m. Wrap up and review - Nick Sayen
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn

Working Subgroups – Review of Staff’s follow up on March 10, 2022, meeting input

Staff’s follow up (in **bolded orange**)

1. Equity/data Issues. **Staff proposes this topic be the focus of Workgroup A.**
2. Common definitions. **Staff proposes this topic be the focus of Workgroup C.**
3. Data access. **Staff proposes this topic be the focus of Workgroup B.**
4. Where and how data will be stored. **Staff proposes this topic be the focus of Workgroup B.**
5. Volunteers to work on further completing Figure 2 for priority data types. **Staff proposes to set aside this topic for now as a lower priority item.**

6. Solutions providers: companies and vendors that could provide technology and services to implement DSP. **Staff proposes to set aside this topic for now as a lower priority item.**

7. Identifying areas of overlap (and/or potential collaboration) in utilities' current practices **of cost effectiveness methodologies**, with the goals of minimizing discrepancies (but not establishing policy). **Staff proposes this topic be the focus of Workgroup C.**

8. Same as #7 but with focus on utilities' current **practices of forecasting approaches**. **Staff proposes this topic be the focus of Workgroup C.**

9. Same as #7 but with focus on utilities' current **practices/developments in hosting capacity analysis**. **Staff proposes this topic be the focus of Workgroup C.**

10. Envisioning the future state of DSP in several years. **Staff proposes to set aside this topic for now as a lower priority item.**

11. DSP intersections with implementation of HB 2021. **Staff proposes to set aside this topic for now as beyond the current scope of the Distribution Work Group.**

12. How energy efficiency and DER forecasts feed into IRP processes. **Staff proposes to consolidate this topic into #8.**

13. Continue steps to advance distribution system data. **Staff proposes this topic be the focus of Workgroup D.**

14. Locational value. **Staff proposes to set aside this topic for now as beyond the current scope of the Distribution Work Group.**

15. Using HCA to guide proactive utility investments. **Staff proposes to set aside this topic for now as beyond the current scope of the Distribution Work Group.**

Participant's topics of interest from March 10, 2022, meeting

Name	Topic(s) of interest
Angela Crowley Koch	7, 8, 9
Andy Eiden	1, 7, 8, 9
Yochi Zakai	3, 13, 15, possibly 4, 5, 9
Chris Cockrell	3, 13, 15
Melissa Nottingham, Angela Long	Heide noted Melissa and Angela previously committed to 1 and 10
Marli Klass	1, 11 (tentative)
Micha Ramsey	4, 3, 13
Fred Heutte	3, 4
Sudeshna Pal	1, 13 (tentative)
Heide Caswell	2, 7, 8, 12, 14
Erik Anderson	7
Bachir Salpagarov	7

Shadia Duery	1, 2
Jim Burdick	1, 8 (tentative as topics get consolidated)
Marc Patterson	3, 7, 14
Dan Johnston	8

Working Subgroups – Staff’s proposed next steps

Staff proposes the following working subgroups. Note that potential participants were identified based merely on preferences from the March 10 meeting; Staff invites confirmation/correction of participants interests.

Working Subgroup A – Demographic and socioeconomic data (Topic 1)

Description – A working subgroup to focus on identifying useful demographic and socioeconomic data, useful energy planning metrics, and quantifying measures and data sources for equity; also, consider identifying preferred sources of public data that include demographics and other details that adequately characterize our communities. Provide input on equity data to Subgroup D for mapping purposes.

Potential participants – Melissa Nottingham, Angela Long, Marli Klass, Sudeshna Pal, Shadia Duery, Jim Burdick

Working Subgroup B – Data accessibility policies & management practices (Topics 3 and 4)

Description – A working subgroup to focus on

- Practices for handling public accessibility of data, specifically in the distribution system context.
- Where and how data will be stored, considering ways to manage it, keep it safe, and provide access to it (put another way, options to improve on OASIS).

Potential participants – Yochi Zakai, Chris Cockrell, Micha Ramsey, Fred Heutte, Marc Patterson

Working Subgroup C – Identifying common utility practices (Topics 2, 7, 8, 9, and 12)

Description – A working subgroup to:

- Identify and establish common vernacular for distribution system planning discussions.
- Identify areas of overlap and potential collaboration in utilities’ current practices, with the goal of minimizing discrepancies, but not with a goal of establishing policy in these practices, regarding:
 - cost effectiveness methodologies,
 - forecasting approaches, including consideration of how EE and DER forecasting feeds into the IRP process, and
 - current practices/developments in hosting capacity analysis.

For each topic, the subgroup should strive to have one cross-utility conversation rather than separate discussions for each utility.

Potential participants – Angela Crowley Koch, Andy Eiden, Heide Caswell, Erik Anderson, Bachir Salpagarov, Shadia Duery, Jim Burdick, Marc Patterson, Dan Johnston

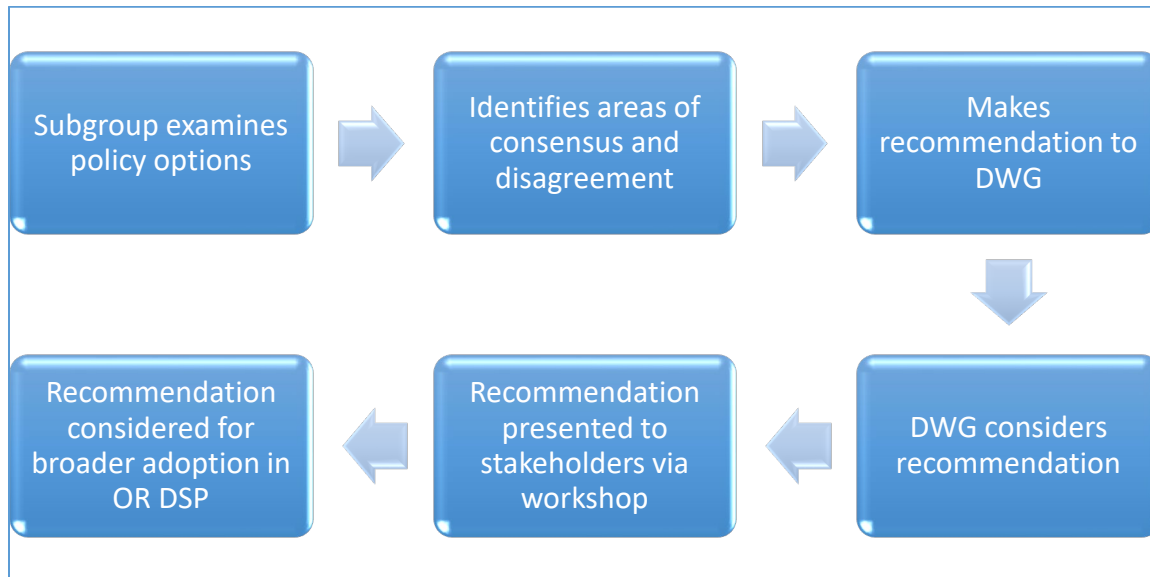
Working Subgroup D – Advancing distribution system data (Topic 13)

Description – A working subgroup to:

- Evaluate distribution system data already made public (through OASIS, DER readiness maps, etc.) and consider what additional data would be valuable to organize/validate/publish.
- Assessing DER readiness maps already developed in order to identify best practices for future improvements.
- Consider best practices for including equity data in DER readiness maps (or future HCA maps), utilizing input from Subgroup A.

Potential participants – Yochi Zakai, Chris Cockrell

Staff proposes the following approach to working subgroups:



Please note that future DSP Work Group meetings dates include:

Date and Time
April 21, 2022, 1:00 – 4:00 pm Pacific
May 19, 2022, 1:00 – 4:00 pm Pacific
June 16, 2022, 1:00 – 4:00 pm Pacific

Parking-lot for outstanding issues and questions

1. Where and how data will be stored is an important question to discuss early so there is a way to manage, keep safe, and access data as it comes in (from 5/7/21 Data Transparency Workshop).
2. Volunteers to work on establishing common definitions for distribution system planning discussions (from 5/7/21 Data Transparency Workshop).
3. Volunteers to work on further completing Figure 2 for priority data types (from 5/7/21 Data Transparency Workshop).
4. What are preferred sources of public data that include demographics and other details that adequately characterize our communities? (from 6/30/21 Technical Work Group meeting)
5. Working subgroup to focus on demographic and socioeconomic data, useful energy planning metrics, and quantifying measures and data sources for equity (from 6/30/21 Technical Work Group meeting).
6. Working subgroup to focus on practices for handling public accessibility of data (from 6/30/21 Technical Work Group meeting).

Questions or Feedback

Questions and comments can be directed to Nick Sayen via email at nick.sayen@puc.oregon.gov or by telephone at 503-510-4355.
