

Docket No. UM 2005: Investigation into Distribution System Planning

The workshop agenda and slides posted to the docket on July 2 mistakenly listed two different times (10:00 am Pacific and 2:00 pm Pacific) for the July 10 workshop. **The correct time is 2:00-4:00 pm Pacific, and is included below.** Staff apologizes for any confusion.

Staff invites stakeholders to a public workshop **July 10, 2024** to discuss [proposed revisions](#) to Distribution System Planning Guidelines. Staff has the following desired outcomes for the workshop:

- A common understanding of Staff's proposed Guideline revisions
- An opportunity for stakeholder discussion
- An opportunity for Staff to address key issues identified in May 31 comments, and next steps

Workshop Participation Details

Date: Wednesday, July 10, 2024

Time: 2:00-4:00 pm Pacific Time

Access: Join ZoomGov Meeting

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Workshop Agenda

Time (Pacific)	Topic
2:00	Welcome + agenda review
2:05	Staff review of proposed revisions
2:20	Discussion: stakeholder questions, concerns and ideas
3:00	Break
3:05	Staff to address key issues in May 31 public comments
3:40	Discussion
3:55	Wrapup and next steps
4:00	Adjourn

Background

Current DSP Guidelines were adopted by the Commission in December 2020 through [Order No. 20-485](#). PGE, Pacific Power, and Idaho Power filed Part 1 of their inaugural Distribution System Plans on October 15, 2021. The utilities then filed Part 2 of their Plans on August 15, 2022. The Commission accepted both filings from each utility. The following table includes links to each utility's respective dockets, filings, and Commission Orders.

Utility and Docket No.	DSP Part 1 filing	Commission Order	DSP Part 2 filing	Commission Order
Idaho Power UM 2196	2021 Oregon Distribution System Plan	Order No. 22-083	Distribution System Planning Report, Part 2	Order No. 23-117
PGE UM 2197	Distribution System Plan Part 1	Order No. 22-083	Distribution System Plan Part 2	Order No. 23-069
Pacific Power UM 2198	Oregon Distribution System Plan – Part 1	Order No. 22-083	Oregon Distribution System Plan – Part 2	Order No. 23-116

Staff Contacts

Staff appreciates the valuable engagement by utilities and stakeholders and looks forward to a productive workshop. If you have questions, please contact Nick Sayen at (503) 510-4355 or nick.sayen@puc.oregon.gov.

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Public Workshop Distribution System Planning Guidelines

July 10, 2024

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OPERATING AGREEMENTS

- Be energy efficient: Allow room for multiple perspectives. Leave time for everyone
- Stay engaged (connected) without tripping the circuit breaker (don't overheat)
- Consider environmental conditions (mute when not speaking)
- Seek understanding (listen to understand, not to respond)
- Group norms (suggestions from participants)



MEETING LOGISTICS

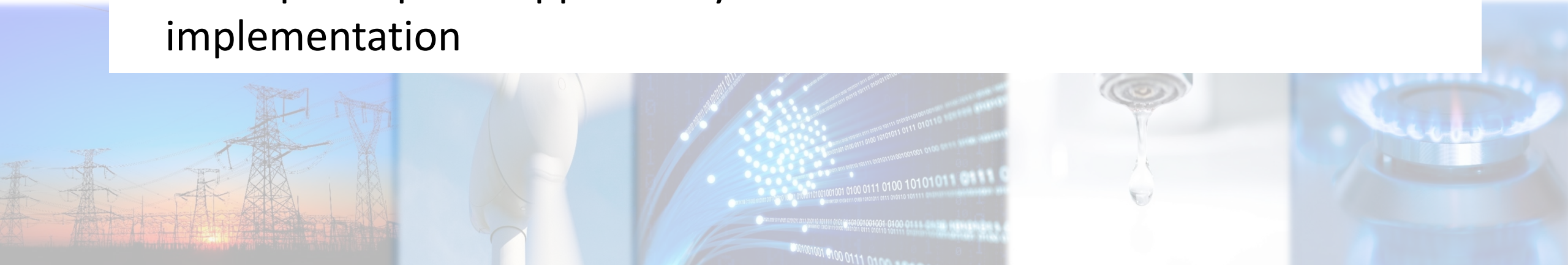
- Mute
- Chat
- Video
- Raise your hand
- Recording



OVERALL STAFF GOALS FOR DSP



- Focus next round of plans on vetting core investment planning information to directly inform the rate recovery process
- Understand the major drivers, level of spend, prioritization strategy, and benefits of the Company's five-year Near-term Action Plan
- Harmonize and prioritize investments between DSP, transmission systems investments, and other key planning activities before the PUC
- Allow participants opportunity to influence decisions before implementation



OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED REVISIONS

- Full plans filed in one step
- Plans continue to be filed for “Acceptance”
- Revisions proposed mid-cycle; allow implementation time

Summary of Proposed Guideline Revisions

3. Scope. **Removed** as future plans will be one filing.

4.5 Plan for Part 2 Development. **Removed** as future plans will be one filing.

2. Commission Action. **Modest revisions** cleaning up language.

1. Process and Timing. **Substantive revisions** modifying timing and cadence.

OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED REVISIONS

- Engagement should be integrated
- Baseline can be less duplicative, should include a progress report; data made available electronically
- Staff does not propose hosting capacity threshold as a grid need

Summary of Proposed Guideline Revisions

4.3 Community Engagement Plan. **Substantive revisions** to integrate processes; refocus Community Engagement Plan; remove requirements for non wires solutions concepts.

4.1 Baseline Data and System Assessment. **Substantive revisions** removing requirements; adding summary progress report; data provided in electronic format.

4.2 Hosting Capacity Analysis. **Removed.** Staff will propose updated direction to maintain maps.

OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED REVISIONS

- Forecast granularity increases from substation to feeder; consistency with most recent IRP/CEP
- Additional types of grid needs identified/discussed
- Operationalization of NWS screening

Summary of Proposed Guideline Revisions

5.1 Forecasting. **Substantive revisions** increasing granularity; specifying data/inputs/assumptions from most recent IRP/CEP; discussion of decomposition.

5.2 Grid Needs Identification. **Substantive revisions** to discuss and identify various types of needs; provide summary table.

5.3 Solution Identification. **Substantive revisions** to assess needs for non wires solution and document solutions; remove requirement for non wires solutions concepts.

OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED REVISIONS

- Action plan should advance understanding of project selection and prioritization; with projected spending
- Long-term plan roadmap should prioritize what's to come

Summary of Proposed Guideline Revisions

5.4 Near-term Action Plan. **Substantive revisions:** 5-year plan of proposed solutions; Project info for activities estimated to cost \$2M+; include projected spending to implement.

4.4 Long-term Distribution System Plan. **Substantive revisions:** 10-year roadmap with prioritized list of planned investments/expenditures/activities, including project info.

DISCUSSION

Your questions, concerns or ideas?



Break

We will reconvene at 3:05 pm



KEY ISSUES EXPRESSED IN MAY 31 PUBLIC COMMENTS...

Pre-Prudency Concerns

- Reconciling GRC and DSP
- “Thru-line” between DSP and future GRC

Non-Wires Solutions

- Capacity to systematically implement NWS using customer-sited DERs

Near term Action Plan

- \$ Threshold for project detail
- Increased granularity
- “Asset class”

Long term Plan

- Level of detail
- Increased granularity

- Extended comment period: Through Friday, July 26
- Commission consideration of revised Guidelines: September 19, 2024 public meeting (subject to change)

Next Steps



Thank You

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