

# **NTTG 2019 Q7 Stakeholder Meeting**

Bozeman, Montana  
September 26, 2019



# NTTG 2018-2019 Planning Cycle

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# NTTG Q7 Stakeholder Meeting

## Agenda

10:00 – 10:15	<b>WELCOME AND AGENDA REVIEW</b>
	<b>2018-2019 DRAFT FINAL REGIONAL TRANSMISSION PLAN (DFRTP)</b>
10:15 – 10:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stakeholder comments, NTTG's responses and revisions to the Plan</li></ul>
10:45 – 11:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NTTG 2019 Economic Study Request</li></ul>
11:20 – 11:30	<b>WECC ANCHOR DATA SET UPDATE</b>
11:30 – 11:50	<b>NEIGHBORING PLANNING REGION UPDATES</b>
11:50 – 12:00	<b>NEXT STEPS/ STAKEHOLDER COMMENTS/ OTHER BUSINESS</b>
12:00	<b>ADJOURN</b>

# **2018-2019 Draft Final Regional Transmission Plan**

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# **Stakeholder Comments and NTTG's Response**

- NTTG's Draft Final Regional Transmission Plan was posted for stakeholder comment during Q7
- One set of comments were received from TransCanada
- NTTG has reviewed and responded to each comment. These comments and NTTG's responses are posted on the NTTG website
- Based on the comments, changes were incorporated into the Draft Final RTP.



# Draft Final Regional Transmission Plan Revisions

- In August, the Planning Committee voted to approve NTTG's responses to the stakeholder comments and to support the subsequent revisions to the plan
  - [Link to Stakeholder comments and NTTG's response](#)
  - [Link to Draft Final RTP](#)

# **NTTG 2019 Economic Study Request**

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# **2019 Annual Economic Study Request (ESR)**

- One (1) Economic Study Request was submitted during the 2019 Annual ESR window by Joint Parties
- The request was to study replacing 500 kV Gateway West and South project segments with 345 kV construction.
- Studies were performed on the eight powerflow cases used to develop the dRTP. A sensitivity was also run on one PPC case.





# ESR Study

- Transmission Configuration Studied
  - Two 345 kV circuits between Aeolus and Anticline (154 Miles)
  - One 345 kV circuit between Anticline and Bridger (5 Miles)
  - Two series compensated 345 kV circuits between Anticline and Populus (203 Miles)
  - A single series compensated 345 kV circuit between Populus and Midpoint (153 Miles)
  - A single series compensated 345 kV circuit between Midpoint and Hemingway (130 miles)
  - With two Hemingway 345/500 kV transformers (700 MVA each) using 1272 kcm two conductor bundled H-frame construction



# ESR Study

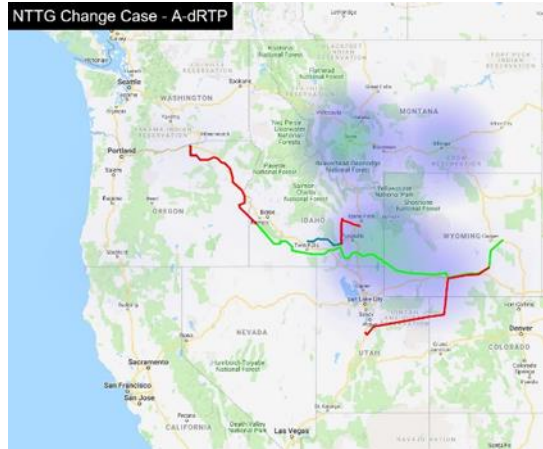
- For the studied conditions, the ESR appears to perform acceptably.
- However, the ESR configuration changes the flows and support of the Wasatch Front and the Utah area in general.



# ESR Study

## Case A – Heavy Winter

NTTG Change Case - A-dRTP



NTTG Change Case - A-ESR2

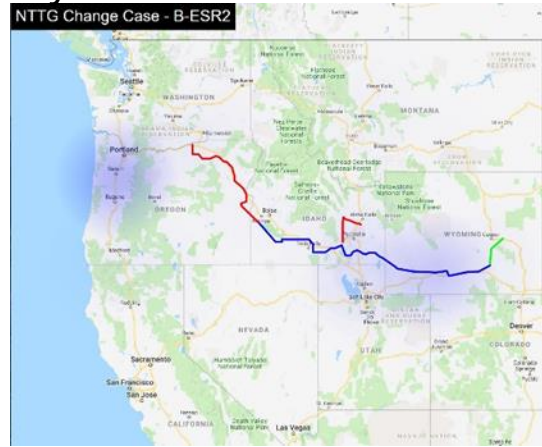


## Case B – Heavy Summer

NTTG Change Case - B-dRTP



NTTG Change Case - B-ESR2





# ESR Study

## Case C – Heavy Winter

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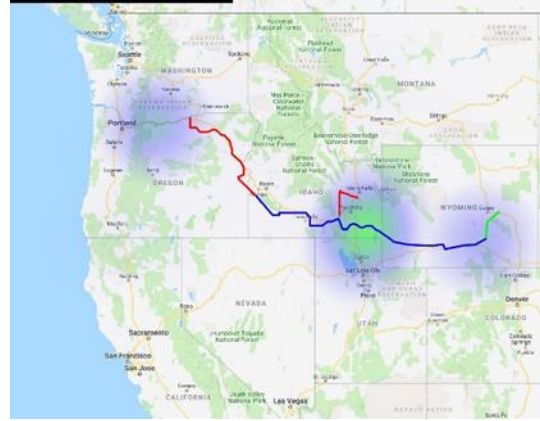


## Case E – High Tot2/COI

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NTTG Change Case - E-ESR2







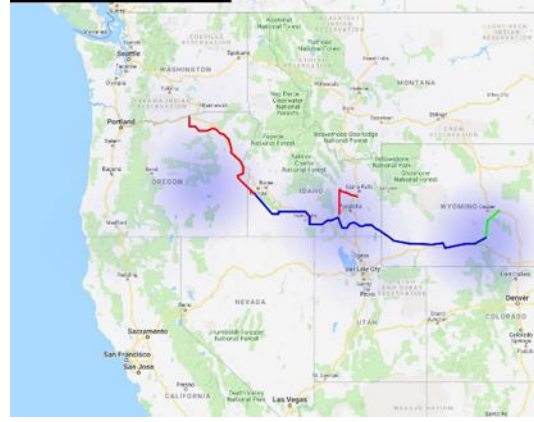
# ESR Study

## Case F – High Wyoming Wind

NTTG Change Case - F-dRTP



NTTG Change Case - F-ESR2



## Case G – High Borah West

NTTG Change Case - G-dRTP



NTTG Change Case - G-ESR2

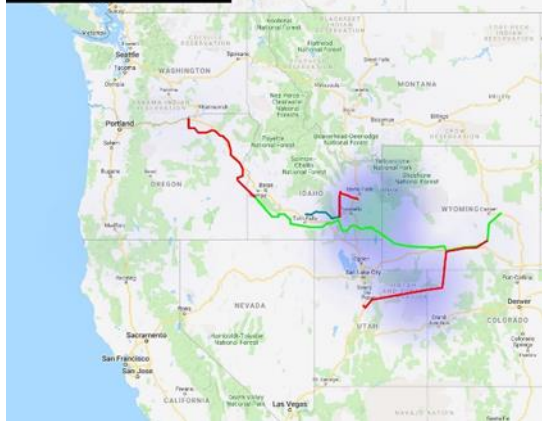




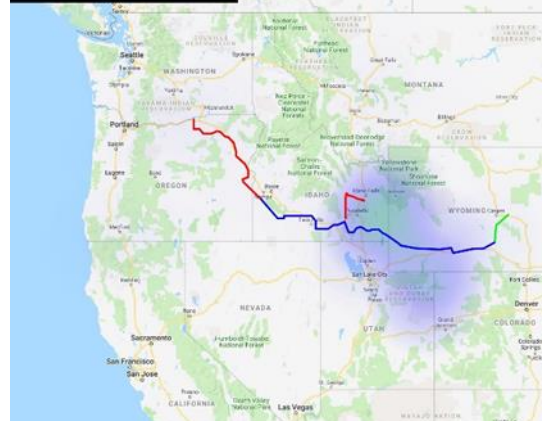
# ESR Study

## Case H – High NTTG Import

NTTG Change Case - H-dRTP



NTTG Change Case - H-ESR2

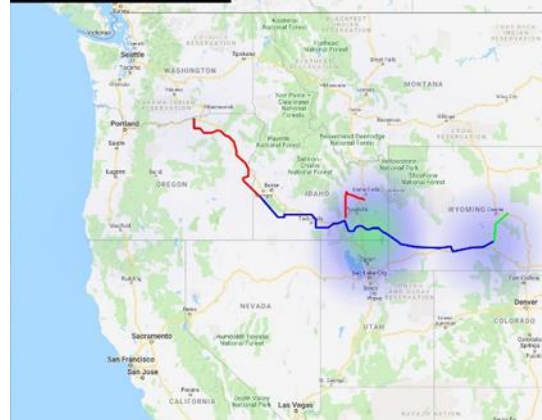


## Case I – High Aeolus West and South

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NTTG Change Case - I-ESR2

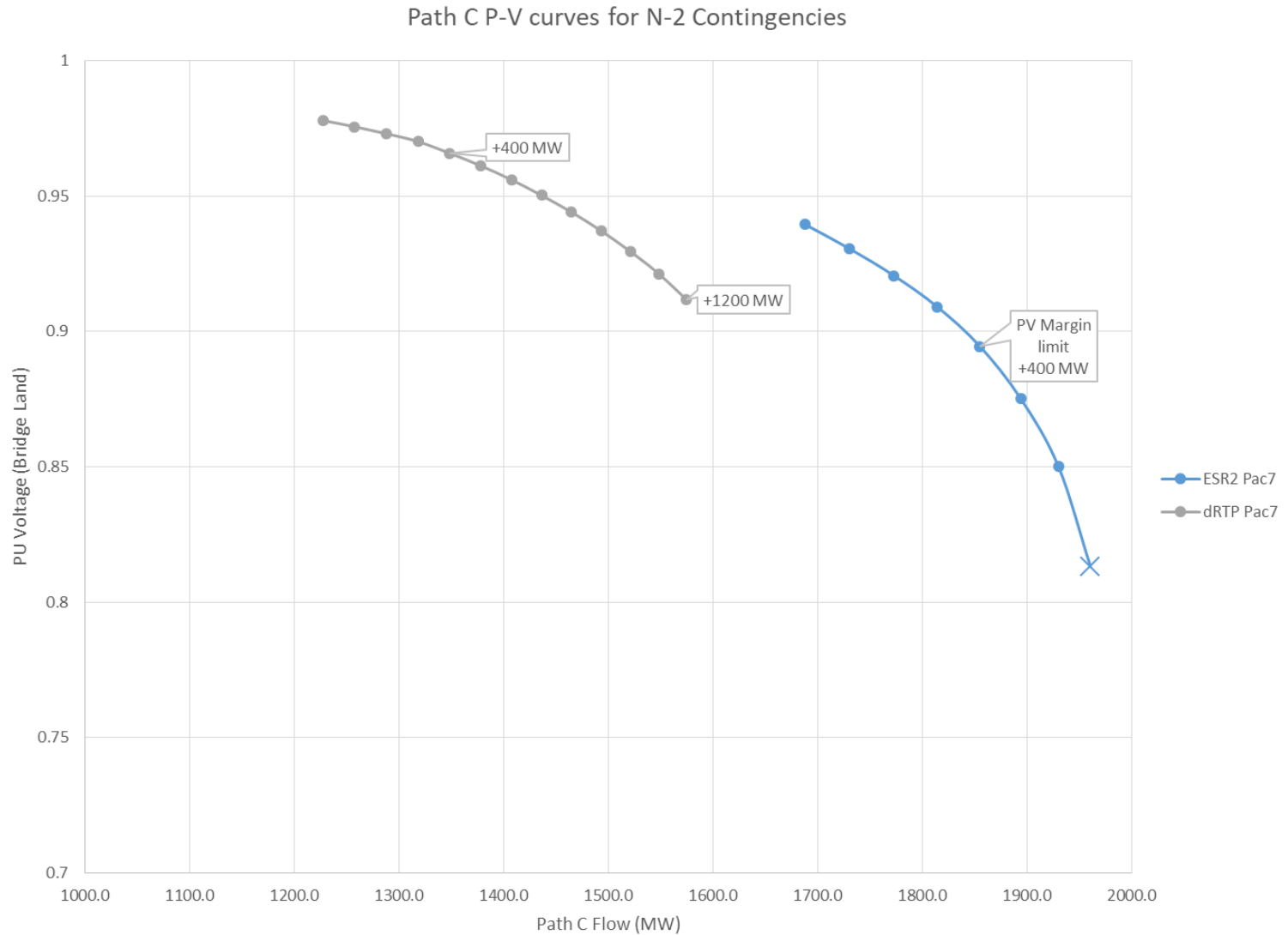




# ESR Study

- In the dfRTP, Gateway South provides support for outages in the Path C cutplane.
- In the ESR configuration, the Gateway South support does not exist. Consequently, the configuration has limited future expansion capability or might have unacceptable performance under conditions not considered in the study cycle.
  - The ESR configuration was tested with an increased flow south on Path C. That configuration may be limited to 400 MW.
  - For the same source-sink pair, the dfRTP configuration can accommodate increased transfers greater than 1200 MW due to the support provided by Gateway South.

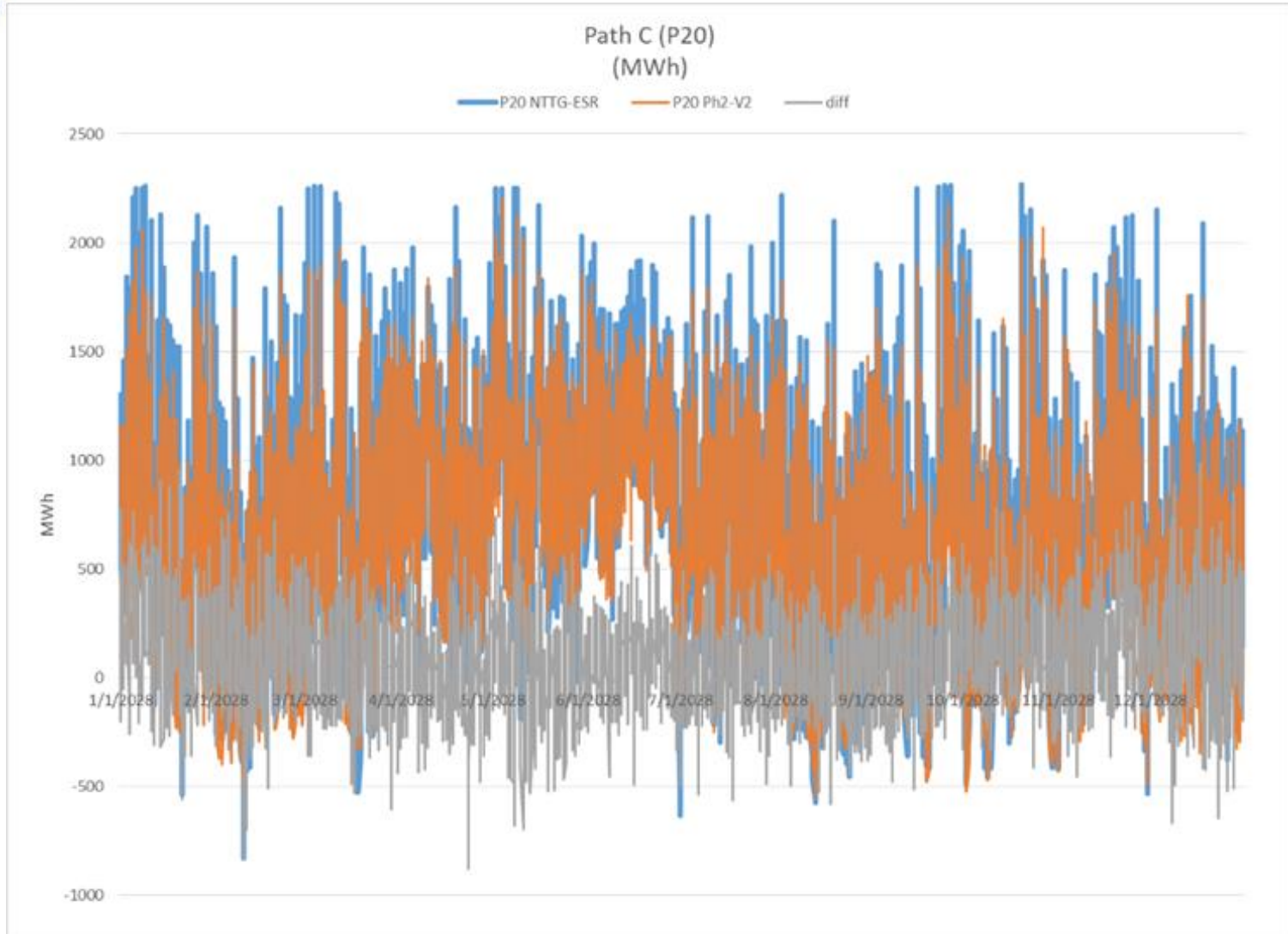
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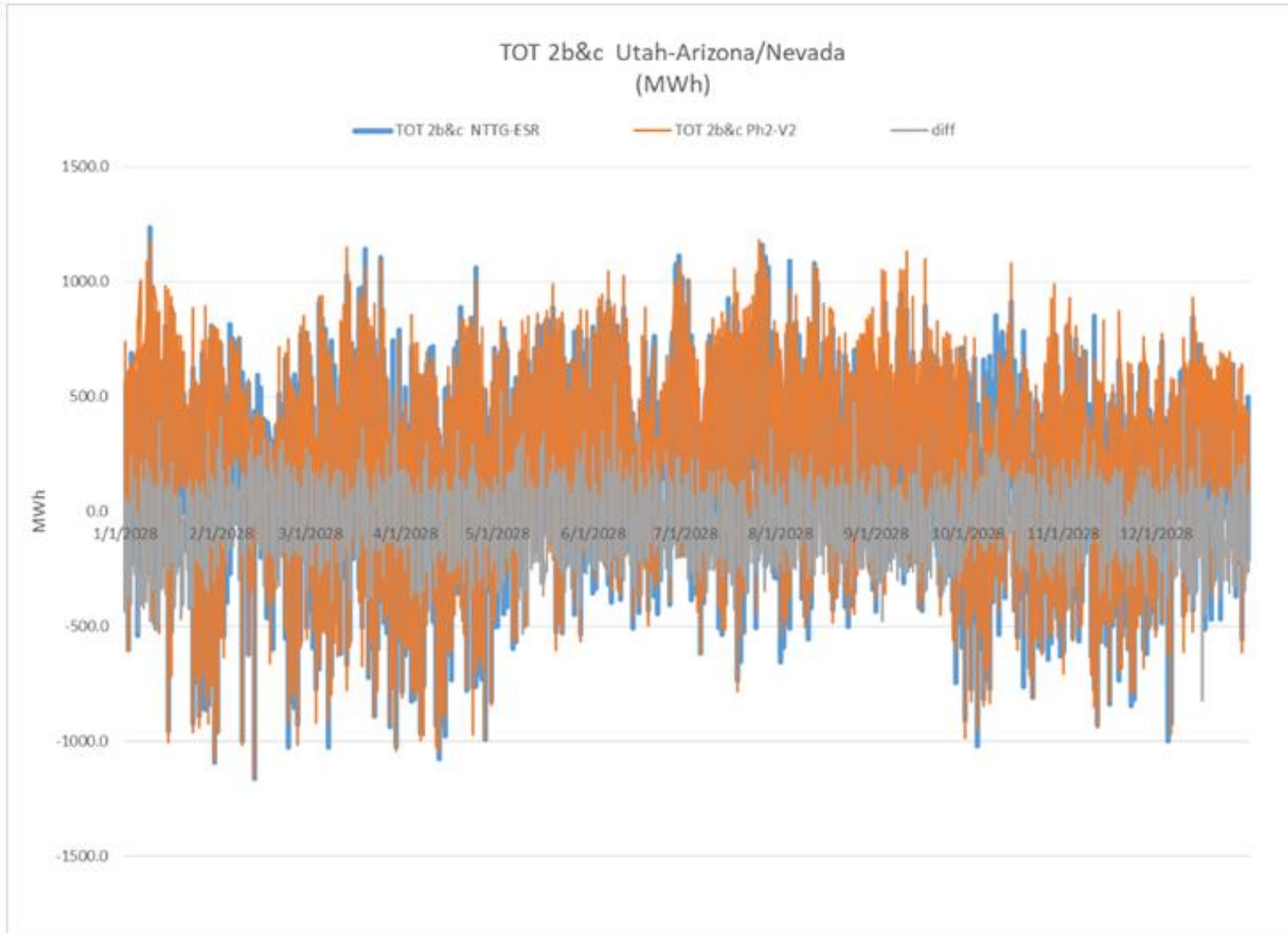


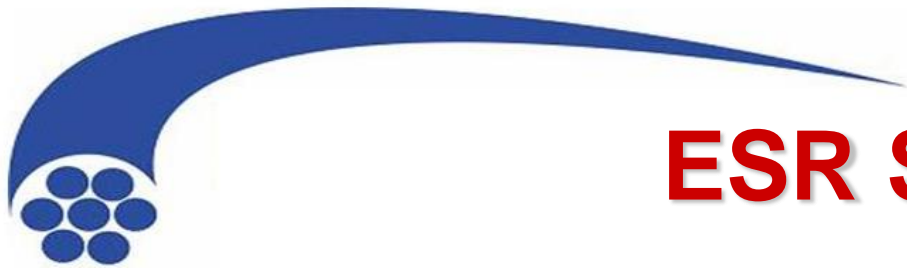
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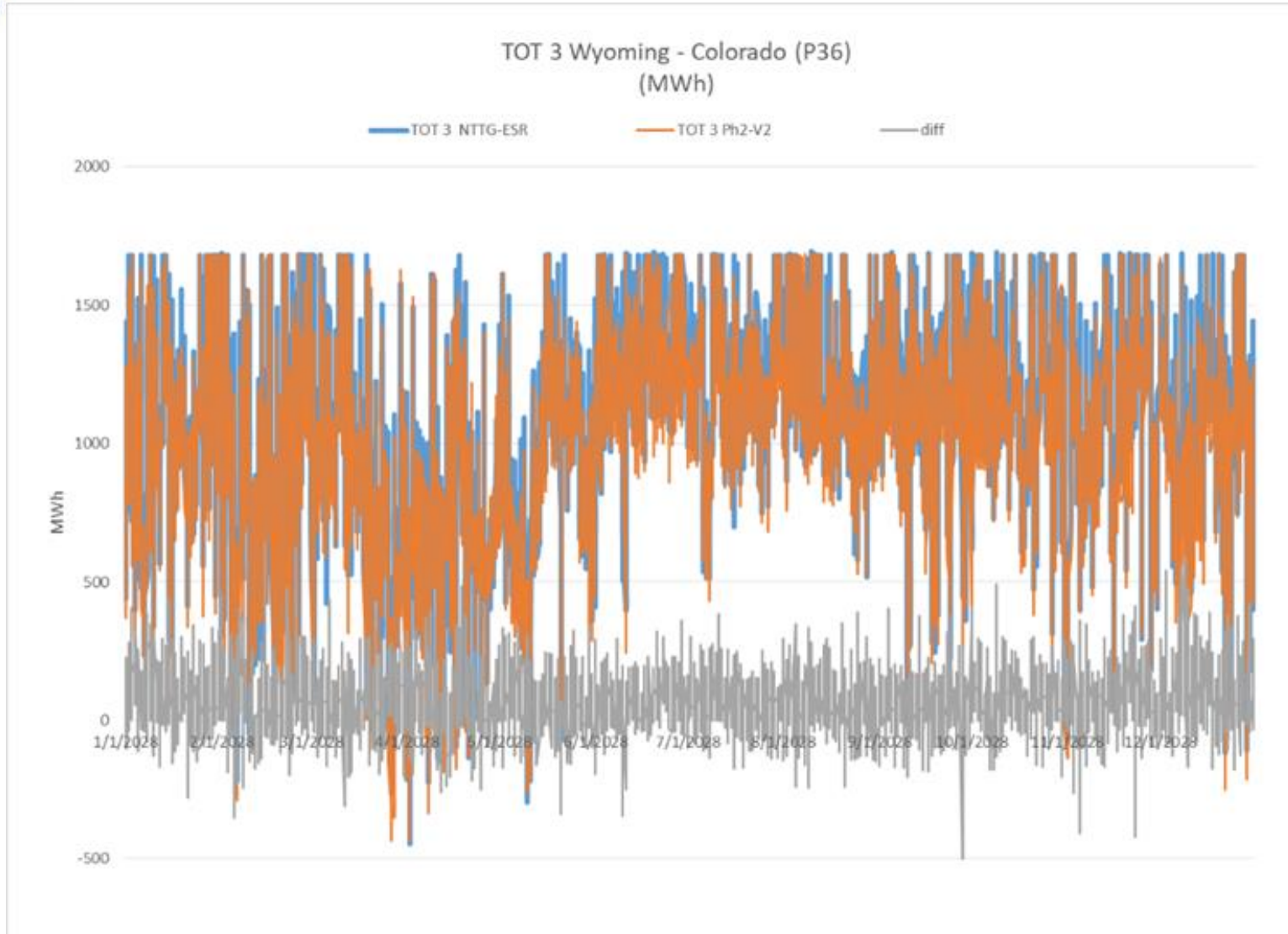
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- A number of paths in Wyoming and out of Wyoming become more congested, as well as, other WECC paths:

Total Congestion Cost (\$)	dRTP	ESR	diff
P08 Montana to Northwest	498,056	932,607	434,552
P18 Montana-Idaho	14,890	28,654	13,764
P20 Path C	-	568,026	568,026
P32 Pavant-Gonder InterMtn-Gonder 230 kV	2,524,955	2,936,094	411,139
P36 TOT 3	3,920,847	6,860,597	2,939,750
P39 TOT 5	-	142,631	142,631
P65 Pacific DC Intertie (PDCI)	-	145,014	145,014
P66 COI	10,672	3,412	(7,260)
P75 Hemingway-Summer Lake	6,622,456	5,821,117	(801,339)
P80 Montana Southeast	47,212	210,098	162,886
P83 Montana Alberta Tie Line	49,338,336	53,604,504	4,266,168
South of Custer	2,409,188	3,745,993	1,336,805
W27_BS_PACE__RM_WACM_1	9,430,535	10,050,967	620,432
W17_NW_NWMT+_RM_WACM_1	2,119,987	2,243,588	123,602
Total			10,356,169

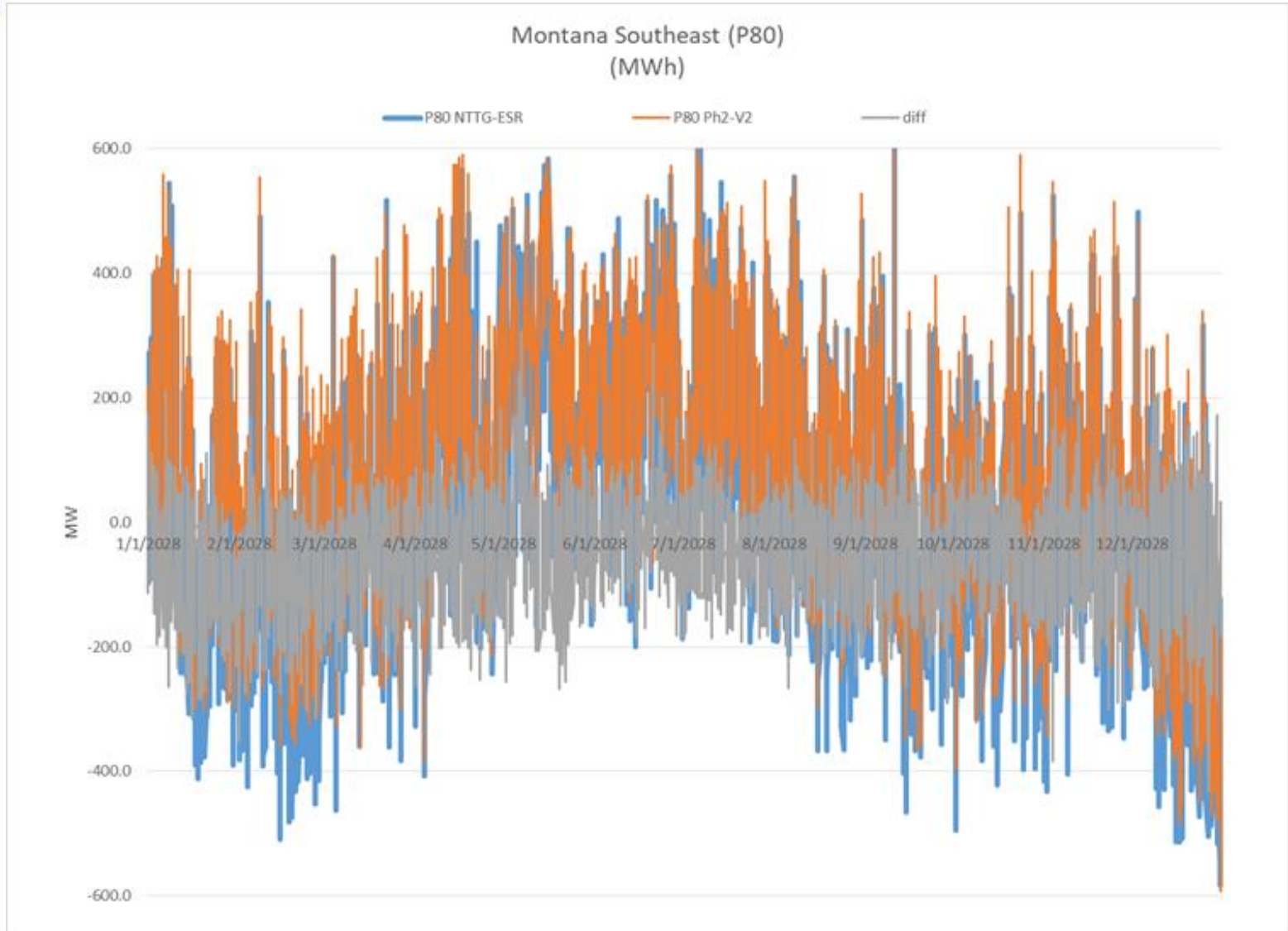


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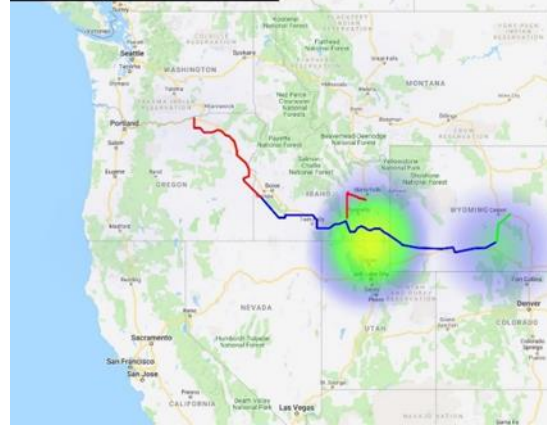
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PPC Scenario 1 – Replace retired coal with Wyoming Wind

NTTG Change Case - I-dRTP-PPC1

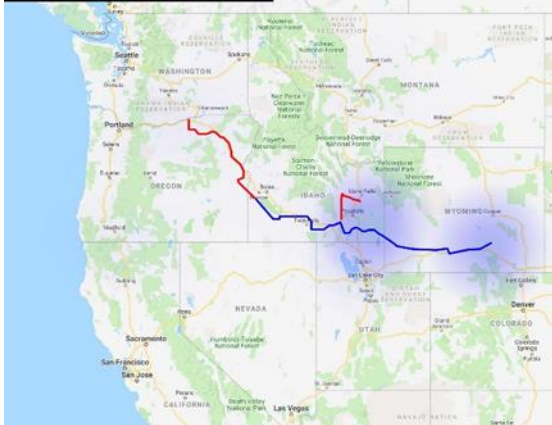


NTTG Change Case - I-ESR2-PPC1



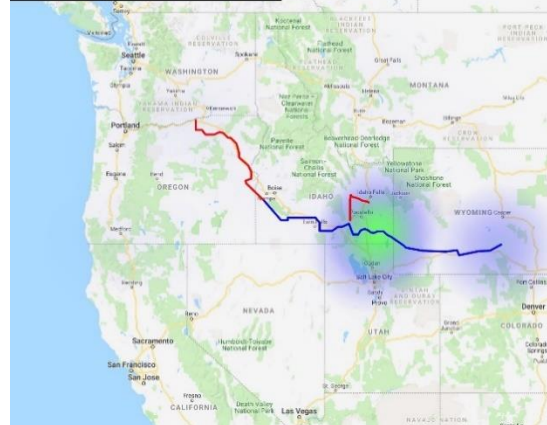
PPC Scenario 2 – Replace retired coal with Utah Wind

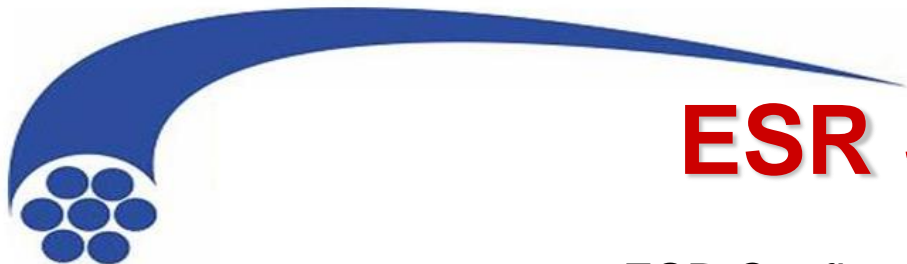
NTTG Change Case - I-ESR2-PPC2



PPC Scenario 3 – Replace retired coal with Northwest resource

NTTG Change Case - I-ESR2-PPC3





# ESR Study

## ESR Configuration Costs

Segment	Miles	Cost/mile	Cost
Wyoming 230 kV Line Segments	147	981,246	144,635,610
Aeolus – Anticline #1	154	2,154,692	331,844,061
Aeolus – Anticline #2	154	2,154,692	331,844,061
Anticline – Bridger	5	2,127,863	10,639,314
Anticline – Populus #1 <sup>1</sup>	203	2,358,823	478,841,071
Anticline – Populus #2	203	2,358,823	478,841,070
Populus – Midpoint	152	2,292,848	348,512,922
Midpoint – Hemingway	126	2,001,499	263,197,134
Total	794		2,388,355,243

Substation	Cost
Windstar, DJ, Heward 230 kV	20,369,890
Aeolus	52,848,571
Anticline	24,596,296
Bridger	4,364,976
Populus	44,438,329
Midpoint	19,759,439
Hemingway	47,188,170
Total	213,565,671

## Total

ESR Cost \$2,601,920,914

dRTP Cost \$4,525,329,044



# ESR Report Summary

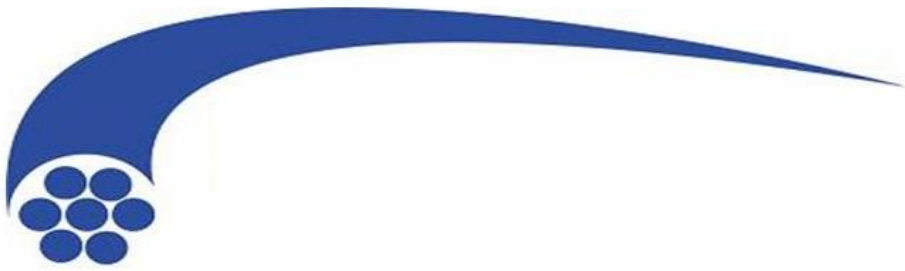
- Potential \$1,924M capital cost savings.
- However, Path C cutplane becomes a limiting constraint:
  - Causing increased forced Utah dispatch
  - Causing increased flows and congestion on Wyoming/WECC interconnections
  - Increased Wyoming dump energy
  - Impacts future load service decisions





# ESR Study

- The ESR Study was posted for Stakeholder comment and 1 set of comments were received.
- On September 18, 2019 the Planning Committee reviewed and approved the responses and recommended changes to the ESR Report.
  - [Link to Stakeholder Comments/NTTG's Response](#)
  - [Link to changes to the ESR Report](#)



# Questions

# **Regional Coordination**

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# **Regional Coordination**

**WECC ANCHOR DATA SET (ADS) UPDATE  
(VERBAL)**



# Planning Region Updates

- CAISO – Gary DeShazo
- ColumbiaGrid – Larry Furumasu
- WestConnect – Charlie Reinhold



# **Next Steps and Upcoming Opportunities for Stakeholder Input**

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# **Stakeholder Comments/ Other Business**



**Thank You!**