

# **SOUTHWEST POWER POOL**RESOURCE AND ENERGY ADEQUACY LEADERSHIP (REAL) TEAM MEETING

Wednesday, November 5, 2025 | 8:00 am – 12:00 pm (CT)

Virtual

## **SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**MOTION:** To approve minutes from October 6, 2025. Cindy Ireland (APSC) motioned / Richard Ross (AEP) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1. Discuss the CONE approval process with the RSC Commissioners.
- 2. Staff to Determine whether the CONE calculation spreadsheet can be shared with external stakeholders.
- 3. Staff to provide an update at the next meeting on the status of any appeals filed in the ERAS docket.



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## **MINUTES**

#### **AGENDA ITEM 1 – ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

Chair Kristie Fiegen (SDPSC) called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. CT, roll was conducted, and a quorum was established. Andrew Lachowsky (AECC) held proxy for Buddy Hasten (AECC).

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#### AGENDA ITEM 2 - RR703 - DEMAND RESPONSE & LRE PEAK DEMAND ASSESSMENT

Chris Haley (SPP Staff) and Charles Hendrix (SPP Staff) provided reviews of the Demand Response and Peak Demand Assessment policies, respectively, and responded to stakeholder questions and concerns related to the implementation timeline, load modifier performance, EEA2 deployments moving to EEA1, and the tolerance for forecasting uncertainty. The REAL Team is expected to vote on the revision request at the December meeting.

#### AGENDA ITEM 3 – RR729 – 2025 COST OF NEW ENTRY (CONE) UPDATE

Chris Haley (SPP Staff) provided a review of RR729 which updates the CONE value based on SPP Staff's annual review pursuant to Section 13.0 of Attachment AA of the SPP Open Access Transmission Tariff (Tariff) for implementation in the 2026 Summer Season. This RR also proposes additional revisions to Section 13.0 of Attachment AA to provide clarity and transparency related to how and when the CONE value will be recalculated. Lastly, this RR clarifies the approval process for changing the CONE value.

In response to stakeholder concerns, two new action items were established:

- 1. Discuss the CONE approval process with the RSC Commissioners.
- 2. Determine whether the CONE calculation spreadsheet can be shared with external stakeholders.



#### AGENDA ITEM 4 – AFFORDABILITY METRIC POLICY

Natasha Henderson (SPP Staff) presented and discussed the Planning Reserve Margin (PRM) Affordability Framework Proposal, which was developed to address a REAL Team action item concerning affordability versus reliability as part of the 2025 Resource Adequacy (RA) Work Plan. Staff proposed adding additional cost, benefit, and event-level data to enhance PRM decision-making. The REAL Team agreed that the information presented was sufficient to close out the action item related to the PRM Affordability Framework.

### **AGENDA ITEM - FERNS ACTION ITEM UPDATE**

Due to time constraints, this item will be discussed at the December meeting.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6 – STANDING UPDATES**

- **1. FERC Resource Adequacy** Justin Hinton (SPP Staff) reviewed resource adequacy dockets pending at FERC. An action item was established to follow up on any appeals filed in the ERAS docket.
- **2. Ops Update** Due to time constraints, this item will be discussed at the December meeting.
- **3. SAWG Update** This item was covered during other discussions.
- **4. Markets Update** Steve Johnson (SPP Staff) provided a brief update on SIR 74 and SIR 73.
- **5. REAL Work Plan** Natasha Henderson (SPP Staff) reviewed the workplan and noted the Affordability Metrics item is now marked as complete.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6 – OTHER ITEMS**

- 1. Review of Action Items Kim O'Guinn (SPP Staff) reviewed three new action items:
  - a) Discuss the CONE approval process with the RSC Commissioners.
  - b) Determine whether the CONE calculation spreadsheet can be shared with external stakeholders.
  - c) Staff to provide an update at the next meeting on the status of any appeals filed in the ERAS docket.
- **2. Future Meetings** The December REAL Team meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 3, 2025 in-person in Denver, CO.



### **AGENDA ITEM 7 – NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was identified.

## **AGENDA ITEM 8 - ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Fiegen adjourned the meeting at 11:30 am CT.



#### **REAL TEAM MEMBERS**

Andrew French (KCC)
Chuck Hutchison (NPRB)
Cindy Ireland (APSC)
David Osburn (OMPA)
Denise Buffington
Jason Chaplin (OCC)
Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC)

Buddy Hasten/Andrew Lachowsky (AECC) Colton Kennedy (OPPD) Ray Hepper (SPP Board) Richard Ross (AEP) Shawnee Claiborn-Pinto (PUCT) Steve Gaw (Advanced Power Alliance)