

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

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 | 8:00 am – 3:30 pm (MT)

SPP Office
Denver, Colorado

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

MOTION: To approve minutes from November 5, 2025. Ray Hepper (SPP Board) motioned/Steve Gaw (APA) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

MOTION: The REAL Team approves the CONE update to \$139.85kw/yr starting with the 2026 Summer Season. Richard Ross (AEP) motioned/Steve Gaw (APA) seconded. *The motion passed with twelve votes in favor and one abstention (Evergy).*

MOTION: Motion to approve RR703 (SIR776) Demand Response & LRE Peak Demand Assessment to include 2027 implementation of LRE load modifier cap and a full implementation of 2028. This approval also includes:

2028 Summer Season Implementation

- Controllable Non-Registered Demand Response Programs capped at 2,152 MW
- Based on 2025 Workbook forecasted Non-Registered Demand Response for 2027 Summer Season
- LRE limited to 2027 forecasted amount

Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) motioned/Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed with seven votes in favor, five opposed (Evergy, APA, OMPA, AEP, OCC), and one abstention (PUCT).*

ACTION ITEMS:

1. SPP Staff to discuss option of asking for a rehearing on the denial of the Priority Processing amendments.
2. Consider discussing improvements to the Performance Based Accreditation and Effective Load Carrying Capability policies to align under a probabilistic type format.

3. Staff to evaluate historical load data for most recent season and identify the percentage error on a MW basis and percent basis for each workbook submitter consistent with the "Sunshine" proposal.

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MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 – ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Chair Kristie Fiegen (SDPSC) called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m. MT, roll was conducted, and a quorum was established. Bruce Walkup (AECC) held proxy for Buddy Hasten (AECC).

MOTION: To approve minutes from November 5, 2025. Ray Hepper (SPP Board) motioned/Steve Gaw (APA) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

AGENDA ITEM 2 – RR729 – 2025 COST OF NEW ENTRY (CONE)

Chris Haley (SPP Staff) reviewed the proposed CONE update. Stakeholder concerns were noted related to the technology type included in the calculation and requested Staff to consider revisions to the technology type used to develop CONE in the upcoming Revision Request, which will discuss the process and procedures to develop CONE. The REAL Team also recommended the Regional State Committee place an annual CONE review on its action item list.

MOTION: The REAL Team approves the CONE update to 139.85\$/kw/yr starting with the 2026 Summer Season. Richard Ross (AEP) motioned/Steve Gaw (APA) seconded. *The motion passed with twelve votes in favor and one abstention (Evergy).*

AGENDA ITEM 3 – RR703 – DEMAND RESPONSE/PEAK DEMAND ASSESSMENT

Chris Haley (SPP Staff) provided an overview of the policy and previewed a motion for approval that included 2027 implementation of a LRE modifier cap with full implementation of the policy in 2028. The recommendation for a 2028 Summer Season implementation specifically included:

- Controllable Non-Registered Demand Response Programs capped at 2,152 MW
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Carrie Bivens (SPP MMU) addressed the MMU's concerns related to Demand Response and Peak Demand Assessment. In response to the MMU's concerns, Staff introduced three new SIRs:

- SIR812 Demand Response Outage and Derate Guidelines
- SIR814 Resource Deregistration and Modification
- SIR816 Demand Response Self Commitment

Richard Ross (AEP) proposed a post season forecast review process (aka the "Sunshine" proposal). This proposal recommends that Staff conduct an analysis comparing forecasted values with actual outcomes and identify the entities with the largest under-forecast amounts, based on the highest megawatt discrepancy and the largest percentage discrepancies.

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Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) motioned/Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed with seven votes in favor, five opposed (Evergy, APA, OMPA, AEP, OCC), and one abstention (PUCT).*

AGENDA ITEM 4 – 2025 LOLE PLANNING RESERVE MARGIN DISCUSSION

Charles Hendrix (SPP Staff) reviewed the 2025 Loss of Load Expectation study results, highlighting findings from LOLE analyses and noting increases in both thermal and renewable resources. Staff presented the 2030 and 2032 base case Planning Reserve Margin results. 2032 Base Case Results indicated an approximate 2% reduction in Winter PRM from 2030 and an approximate 1% reduction in Summer PRM from 2030.

AGENDA ITEM – FERNS ACTION ITEM UPDATE

In response to a previously established action item, Kelsey Allen (SPP Staff) reviewed the cost input assumptions used in the Future Energy and Resource Needs Study (FERNS) simulations. The associated action item is now considered closed.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – STANDING UPDATES

1. **FERC – Resource Adequacy** – Justin Hinton (SPP Staff) reviewed resource adequacy dockets pending at FERC including the FERC denials of the Priority Processing amendments to related generator retirement and queue priority. An action item was established for SPP Staff to discuss option of asking for a rehearing on the denial of the Priority Processing amendments.
2. **Ops Update** – Yasser Bahbaz (SPP Staff) provided review of the Summer 2025 reliability events and forecast uncertainty performance, summarized operating conditions for Fall 2025, and assessed the capacity outlook and preparedness for Winter 2025–2026.
3. **SAWG Update** – This item was discussed throughout the meeting by Keaton Riddle (Evergy).
4. **Markets Update** – Yasser Bahbaz (SPP Staff) provided the Markets update noting that Staff had created three new SIRs based on feedback from the MMU.
5. **REAL Work Plan** – Natasha Henderson (SPP Staff) provided a brief review of the 2025 workplan and introduced the 2026 REAL Team workplan. A meeting will be scheduled for a subgroup of REAL Team members to discuss the 2026 workplan.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – OTHER ITEMS

2. Review of Action Items

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3. **Future Meetings** – For 2026, the REAL Team is planning on meeting on a reduced cadence, and final dates will be posted soon.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – NEW BUSINESS

No new business was identified.

AGENDA ITEM 8 - ADJOURNMENT

Chair Fiegen adjourned the meeting at 2:17 pm MT.

REAL TEAM MEMBERS

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

Buddy Hasten, proxy Bruce Walkup (AECC)
Ray Hepper (SPP Board)
Richard Ross (AEP)
Shawnee Claiborn-Pinto (PUCT)
Steve Gaw (Advanced Power Alliance)
Steve Wright (SPP Board)

MEETING PARTICIPANTS

Aaron Ramsdell
Adam Schieffer
Alex Crawford
Amy Newton
Andrea Harrison
Andrew French
Andrew Rogers
Angela Sartori
Annie Minondo
Antoine Lucas
Apryl Eby
Ashlyn Collie
Ben Bright
Bernie Liu
Beverly Laios
Brad Cochran
Brad Lafler
Bradley Payne
Brett Springfield
Brian Rounds
Bruce Walkup
Bryce Keaton
Carly Masenthin
Carrie Bivens
Casey Cathey
Charles Hendrix
Chris Bultsma
Chris Haley
Chris Hanson
Chris Lyons
Christiana Ivanova
Christine Aarnes

Chuck Hutchison
Cicily McGee
Cindy Ireland
Clifford Franklin
Colt Cornelius
Conor McKenzie
Craig Rutledge
Cullen Reid
Dacia Turner
Dana Shelton
Dave Osburn
David Busse
David Longrie
David Osburn
Dawn Cash
Denise Buffington
Denver Large Conference
Don Frerking
Eric Alexander
Erica Schmidt
Garrett Crowson
Gerald Deaver
Greg Reed
Greg Rislov
Heather Starnes
Heverton Ferreira
Jacob Strauss
Jake Chapman
Jake Weinberg
James Peters
Jarod Nekl
Jarred Cooley

Jason Chaplin
Jason Cox
Jason Mazigian
Jason Rosenkranz
Jeff Wells
Jennifer Marquis
Jeremiah Herman
Jeremy Severson
Jessica Greenberg
Jim Flucke
Jim Jacoby
Joann Worthington
Jodi Woods
John Krajewski
John Luallen
Jon Thurber
Jonathan Hathhorn
Jones, Rob
Jordan Foster
Joshua Byrnes
Joshua Norton
Julie Bissen
Julie Tackett
Justin Grady
Justin Hinton
Keaton Riddle
Kelsey Allen
Kim O'Guinn
Kristie Fiegen
Kylah McNabb
LaKeitha Rinks
Lane Sisung

Larry Preston
Lee Elliott
Leif Clark
Loren Ditsch
Luke Metcalf
Malcolm Ainspan
Maria Gingras
Mark Harris
Matt Reed
Matthew Harward
Matthew Jackson
Maurice Moss
Michael Billinger
Michael Redlinger
Mike Gahimer
Molly Morgan
Monsherra Blank
Natasha Brown
Natasha Henderson
Nicholas Redinger

Nick Reedy
Nicole Offutt
Olivia Hough
Pat Chida
Patrick Clarey
Phil Choi
Rachel Kane
Raleigh Mohr
Ray Hepper
Rich Germinder
Richard Owen
Richard Ross
Riley Davis
Robert Clayton
Robert Pick
Ron Chartier
Ryan Johnson
Ryan McCormick
Sarah Bockelmann
Serhat Guney

Seth Mayfield
Shawn Geil
Shawnee Claiborn-Pinto
Sherian Krause
Sonali Razdan
Sonny Bandak
Steve Gaw
Steve Wright
Stuart Solomon
Terra Higgins
Terry Gates
Tiffany Wu
Tim Brown
Tim Hooker
Tom Kleckner
Tom Michelotti
Trent Campbell
Tyler Baxter
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