

**SOUTHWEST POWER POOL (SPP)  
STRATEGIC & CREATIVE RE-ENGINEERING  
OF INTEGRATED PLANNING TEAM (SCRIPT)**

March 5, 2021, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. | WebEx

## **MINUTES**

### **AGENDA ITEMS 1 & 2 – CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS; APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chair Mark Crisson called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and began by reviewing the agenda (Attachment A – Agenda).

Andrew French moved to approve the minutes from the Feb. 2, 2021 meeting. Tom Christensen seconded. The motion passed unanimously. (Attachment B – 20210106 SCRIPT Minutes)

### **AGENDA ITEM 3 – SUB-TEAM UPDATES: TOP OPTIONS**

Staff provided presentations (posted in SCRIPT Meeting Materials on spp.org) and led discussion on the activities of the following sub-teams:

- Cost Sharing: Charles Locke provided an overview of the guidelines the sub-team had used in developing its recommendations to date, and some of the top issues being considered by the team: allocation based on avoided project cost, allocation based on benefits, billing determinants and allocators, and timing of implementation.
- Transfers: Clint Savoy provided an overview of how the sub-team grouped proposals to improve interregional transfers into four approaches: transmission pricing and rate design, planning and cost allocation, governance, and market design. He discussed the team's remaining work to be completed before it sends recommendations to the SCRIPT.
- Decision Quality: Casey Cathey gave an overview of recommendations for implementing decision quality practices into futures development, modeling, cost estimates, solutions, sensitivity analysis and benefit metrics. The team is close to finalizing recommendations for the SCRIPT. It also plans to holistically assess the SCRIPT's final recommendations.
- Optimization: Antoine Lucas gave an overview of the key components of the team's proposal: proactive siting, acceptable use of non-transmission expansion, prioritization of project value drivers, holistic needs and solutions assessments, incorporation of aging infrastructure in regional planning, and alignment with MISO planning.

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- Consolidation: Kelsey Allen gave an overview of the team's current recommendation for a consolidated planning approach to connect multiple request, requirement, retirement and regional study processes in a unified system. The team recommends a similar delivery schedule to the ITP and a transition plan that includes clearing the generator interconnection (GI) backlog.
- Services: Steve Purdy gave an overview of the team's recommendations for a combined study that links transmission services processes with GI, ways to improve transparency and new information for customers, and opportunities to simplify and align processes. He assessed elements of each proposal still under development, and informed the group that Services is coordinating with Consolidation to align recommendations.

## AGENDA ITEM 5 – GI BACKLOG CLEARING PROPOSAL

David Kelley presented a proposal to mitigate the backlog of GI requests. While the SCRIPT is developing long-term recommendations to improve planning processes, including for services like generator interconnection, the backlog of current GI requests still needs an interim solution. The proposal would use alternate paths, better metrics, firmer commitments and simplified studies to reduce the current backlog and better prepare SPP for a consolidated planning process recommended by the SCRIPT.

## RECESS

The SCRIPT recessed for lunch from 12:05 p.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Mr. Crisson called the SCRIPT meeting back to order at 12:45 p.m.

## AGENDA ITEM 6 & 7 – SUB-TEAM PATHS FORWARD AND LOOKING AHEAD

The group discussed the statuses of sub-team proposals and meetings left on the agenda. Russell Carey provided an overview of meetings that had been rescheduled or canceled due to February's winter storm. The group agreed that that majority of sub-team work on recommendations could be completed ahead of the April 2, 2021, meeting of the SCRIPT, and that the SCRIPT would end sub-team meetings and resume a regular schedule in April. The group will begin to review and consolidate sub-team recommendations during April and May.

## ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Crisson adjourned the meeting at 1:29 p.m.

**Attachments:** Agenda, 20210106 SCRIPT Minutes, Attendance List, Revised Schedule

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**SCRIPT Meeting**  
**March 5, 2021 | 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**  
**Net conference**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order, Introductions and Administrative Items (5 mins.) ..... Mark Crisson
2. Approval Item: Feb. 2, 2021 Minutes ..... Mark Crisson
3. Sub-team Updates: Top Options (120 mins).....Sub-team Staff Leads
  - Cost Sharing (20 mins) ..... Charles Locke
  - Transfers (20 mins)..... Clint Savoy
  - Decision Quality (20 mins).....Casey Cathey
  - Optimization (20 mins)..... Antoine Lucas
  - Consolidation (20 mins)..... Kelsey Allen
  - Services (20 mins).....Steve Purdy
4. *Break for Lunch (60 mins)*
5. GI Backlog Clearing Proposal (40 mins).....David Kelley
6. Discussion: Sub-team Paths Forward (60 mins)..... All
7. Looking Ahead: March and April (20 mins).....Lanny Nickell
8. Adjournment ..... Mark Crisson

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Jan. 6, 2021, 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. | WebEx

## MINUTES

### AGENDA ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Chair Mark Crisson called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and began by reviewing the agenda (Attachment A – Agenda).

Richard Ross made a motion to approve the minutes from the Jan. 6, 2021 meeting. Michael Wise seconded. The motion passed unanimously. (Attachment B – 20210106 SCRIPT Minutes)

Russell Carey (SPP) reviewed logistics for meeting participation and read the antitrust statement.

### AGENDA ITEM 2 – RECAP AND REFLECTION ON SUB-TEAM PROCESS

Staff provided presentations (posted in SCRIPT Meeting Materials on spp.org) and led discussion on the activities of the following sub-teams:

- Transfers: Clint Savoy provided an update on sub-team activities, including potential recommendations for interregional market design, transmission pricing and rate design, planning and cost allocation, and governance. The SCRIPT discussed a potential joint meeting with the Cost-sharing sub-team. Clint also provided an overview of the intersection of the team's work with the ongoing joint study with Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO).
- Decision Quality: Casey Cathey provided an update on sub-team activities, including discussions of process flexibility and the potential impact of process consolidation on decision quality. The SCRIPT discussed the challenges of balancing a need for high certainty of models and futures and simplification of processes to improve efficiency. Casey informed the team of upcoming sub-team activities, including a proposed half-day DQ training from the Strategic Decision Group in early February.
- Optimization: Juliano Freitas provided an update on sub-team activities. The group's draft recommendations fall into two categories: (1) optimization of the existing transmission system through siting analysis and usage policies and (2) optimization of future system planning and investment through holistic evaluation of project value,

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planning and solutions. The group is examining how to consider aging infrastructure in planning and how to align SPP and MISO planning processes.

- Consolidation: Kelsey Allen provided an update on sub-team activities, sharing two potential options for consolidation of planning of processes. The SCRIPT reviewed the proposals, discussed ideas for “opt-in” and “opt-out” of service request participants, and other elements of the potential recommendations.

## RECESS

The SCRIPT recessed for lunch from 12:01 p.m. to 12:45 p.m.

## AGENDA ITEM 3 – CONTINUE SUB-TEAM REPORTS

Mr. Crisson called the SCRIPT meeting back to order at 12:45 p.m. and staff continued their presentations and discussion of sub-team activities:

- Services: Steve Purdy provided an update on sub-team activities, including potential solutions to simplify, align and improve timeliness of processes, and overlaps between Services and Cost-sharing solutions. The team is examining relevant processes used by MISO and others. Steve provided an overview of parallel improvement efforts to reduce the Generator Interconnection backlog and to implement recommendations from the Network Resource Interconnection Service (NRIS) and Energy Resource Interconnection Service (ERIS) Deliverability Task Force (NEDTF).
- Cost-sharing: Charles Locke provided an update on sub-team activities, including a review of current cost allocation processes used by SPP and other RTOs, and potential allocation solutions for upgrades with multiple needs, with benefit metrics, with billing determinants and various issues the sub-team is examining.

## AGENDA ITEM 4 – OTHER ITEMS

Members discussed the large scope of recommendations the SCRIPT and concerns about getting to consensus on all these elements by October. The group also discussed the challenge of providing “high-level” policy guidance, and how well will it work out once it is handed to other working groups to create more detailed policy and implement.

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**AGENDA ITEM 5 – SCHEDULE**

Mr. Carey presented a proposed updated schedule for SCRIPT sub-teams: new joint sub-team meetings and some cancellations of individual sub-team meetings. The SCRIPT discussed and agreed upon the revised schedule which staff will be post to SPP's website. The SCRIPT calendar as revised during the meeting is in Attachment D.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Crisson adjourned the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- Staff will post the entire schedule of SCRIPT meetings for 2021 in the SCRIPT meeting materials folder on spp.org
- Staff will accept requests to attend sub-team meetings from non-members.
- Staff will share first drafts of straw proposals with the SCRIPT ahead of each sub-team's first meeting in January.

**Attachments:** Agenda, 20210106 SCRIPT Minutes, Attendance List, Revised Schedule

SCRIPT ATTENDANCE LIST, MARCH 5, 2021

Attendance list from WebEx registration.

\* Denotes SCRIPT Member

#	NAME	COMPANY
1	*Andrew French	KCC
2	*Bill Grant	SPS
3	*Brett Leopold	ITC Great Plains
4	*Brian Johnson (Proxy for Richard Ross)	AEP
5	*Bronwen Bastone	SPP
6	*Chris Jones	City Utilities
7	*David Mindham	EDPR
8	*Denise Buffington	Evergy
9	*Dennis Florum	Lincoln Electric System
10	*Mark Crisson	SPP
11	*Steve Gaw	APA
12	*Tom Christensen	Basin Electric
13	*Usha Turner	OGE Energy
14	Adam Bell	SPP
15	Al Tamimi	Sunflower
16	Amber Greb	SPP
17	Amber Joyce	Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
18	Anita Collier	ACES
19	Antoine Lucas	SPP
20	Arash Ghodsian	EDFR
21	Bary Warren	Gridliance
22	Bernie Liu	Xcel
23	Brenda Prokop	ITC Holdings Corp.
24	Brian Rounds	AESL Consulting
25	Brooke Keene	SPP
26	Calvin Daniels	WFEC
27	Casey Cathey	SPP
28	Charles Locke	SPP
29	Christine Aarnes	Sunflower
30	Cindy Ireland	AR PSC
31	Clifford Franklin	Sunflower
32	Clint Savoy	SPP
33	Cole Bailey	KCC
34	Daniel Hall	ACPA
35	Daria Diaz	Stone Pigman
36	David Kelley	SPP
37	Derek Sunderman	Savion, LLC.
38	Don Frerking	SPP
39	Eddie Watson	SPP

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#	NAME	COMPANY
40	Ellen Cook	SPP
41	James Bailey	SPP
42	James Hotovy	NPPD
43	Jason Chaplin	OCC
44	Jason Davis	SPP
45	Jason Mazigian	Basin Electric
46	Jason Smith	Orsted
47	Jay Caspary	Grid Strategies LLC
48	Jeff Knottek	CUS
49	Jeremy Severson	Basin Electric
50	Jill Rummel	Basin Electric
51	Jim Jacoby	AEP
52	Jim Krajecki	Customized Energy Solutions
53	John Allen	City Utilities / SPRM
54	John Turner	WFEC
55	John Varnell	Tenaska Power Services
56	Josh Ross	SPP
57	Juliano Freitas	SPP
58	Kelsey Allen	SPP
59	Kirk Hall	SPP
60	Kristin Littlefield	SWPA
61	Lane Sisung	Louisiana PSC
62	Lanny Nickell	SPP
63	Liz Gephardt	SPP
64	Marisa Choate	SPP
65	Matt Pawlowski	NEE
66	Mike Kraft	Basin Electric
67	Nick Parker	SPP
68	Nicole Wagner	SPP
69	Orijit Ghoshal	Invenergy
70	Phoenix Anshutz	KCC
71	Pius Fischer	Basin Electric
72	Robert Safuto	Customized Energy Solutions
73	Robert Tallman	OG&E
74	Rodney Massman	Missouri PSC
75	Shari Albrecht	KCC
76	Sherri Maxey	SPP
77	Steve Purdy	SPP
78	Sunny Raheem	SPP
79	Susan Certoma	SPP
80	Tammy Bright	SPP
81	Tessie Kentner	SPP
82	Tom Hestermann	Sunflower
83	Vince Vandaveer	City Utilities

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SUB-TEAM	DAY	DATE	START	END	STATUS
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>1/6/2021</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Complete</b>
Consolidation	FRI	1/8/2021	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	Complete
Services	FRI	1/8/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Complete
Transfers	THU	1/14/2021	9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Complete
Cost-sharing	THU	1/14/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Complete
Decision Quality (DQ)	FRI	1/15/2021	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	Complete
Optimization	FRI	1/15/2021	2:00 PM	5:00 PM	Complete
Consolidation	WED	1/20/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Complete
Services	FRI	1/22/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Complete
Decision Quality (DQ)	WED	1/27/2021	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	Complete
Transfers	THU	1/28/2021	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	Complete
Optimization	THU	1/28/2021	2:00 PM	5:00 PM	Complete
Cost-sharing	FRI	1/29/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Complete
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>TUE</b>	<b>2/2/2021</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Complete</b>
Consolidation (C)	WED	2/3/2021	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	<b>CANCELLED</b>
Cost-sharing (\$)	THU	2/4/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Joint Meeting: \$/T</b>
Decision Quality (DQ)	FRI	2/5/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Complete</b>
Services (S)	TUE	2/9/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Joint Meeting: C/O/S</b>
Decision Quality (DQ)	WED	2/17/2021	9:00 AM	2:00 PM	<b>5 Hour SDG DQ Training</b>
Transfers (T)	WED	2/11/2021	9:00 AM	12:00 PM	<b>CANCELLED</b>
Optimization (O)	FRI	2/12/2021	2:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>CANCELLED</b>
Consolidation	TUE	2/16/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Cancelled - Weather</b>
Cost-sharing	THU	2/18/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Cancelled - Weather</b>
DQ	FRI	2/19/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Cancelled - Weather</b>
Transfers	TUE	2/23/2021	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	<b>Keep</b>
Services	TUE	2/23/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Keep</b>
Optimization	FRI	2/26/2021	2:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Keep</b>
Cost-sharing	WED	3/3/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>Added Back (Weather)</b>
DQ	THU	3/4/2021	1:30 PM	5:30 PM	<b>Keep</b>
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>3/5/2021</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Keep</b>
Consolidation	MON	3/8/2021	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	<b>CANCELLED</b>
<b>Joint Sub-Team</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>3/10/2021</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Joint Meeting: C/O/S</b>
Transfers	THU	3/11/2021	9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Keep
Optimization	FRI	3/12/2021	2:00 PM	5:00 PM	<b>CANCELLED</b>
Cost-sharing	WED	3/17/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Keep
DQ	THU	3/18/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Keep
Consolidation	TUE	3/23/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Keep
Services	WED	3/24/2021	1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Keep
Transfers	FRI	3/26/2021	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	Pending (may cancel)
Optimization	FRI	3/26/2021	2:00 PM	5:00 PM	Keep

<b>SUB-TEAM</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>END</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>4/2/2021</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	Keep
<i>SCRIPT</i>	<i>FRI</i>	<i>4/16/2021</i>	<i>10:00 AM</i>	<i>3:00 PM</i>	<b>CANCEL</b>
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>4/30/2021</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	Keep
<i>SCRIPT</i>	<i>FRI</i>	<i>5/14/2021</i>	<i>10:00 AM</i>	<i>3:00 PM</i>	<b>CANCEL</b>
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>5/28/2021</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>6/11/2021</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>6/25/2021</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>7/9/2021</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>7/23/2021</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	
<b>SCRIPT</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>8/6/2021</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	
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