

Unscheduled Flow Committee (UFC) & Enhanced Curtailment Calculator Working  
Group (ECCWG) Joint Meeting

November 18, 2021  
Teleconference

## **SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS**

1. Kathee Downey (PAC), Brenna Andrews (NWMT), Robin Chung (BPA) to poll PST owners outside of UFMP on interest in participation in expanded usage with compensation.
2. Ashley Stringer (SPP) to reach out to interested members about setting up a task force and develop a charter.
3. Igor Kormaz (TSGT) to give an update at WECC path TF on the short-term goal discussion from today's joint meeting.

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# MINUTES

### AGENDA ITEM 1 – INTRODUCTIONS

Ashley Stringer (SPP) called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. CDT. The following participants were in attendance:

ECCWG:

Keith Carman (TSGT)

Zea Flores (WAPA)

Robin Chung (BPA)

Kathee Downey (PAC)

Kokou Agbassekou (CAISO)

Kevin Pera (XCEL)

Kerri Schlachter (TSGT)

**Quorum was established.**

UFC:

Zea Flores (WAPA)

Igor Kormaz (TSGT)

Kathee Downey (PAC)

Brenna Andrews (NWMT)

**Quorum was not established.**

Others in attendance:

Ashley Stringer (SPP)

Raja Thappetaobula (RC West)

Brett Gruesner (XCEL)

Nick Messner (CAISO)

Eric Vaa (CAISO)

Chris Bultsma (WAPA)

Jeremy West (TSGT)

LeeAnn Torkelson (SRP)

Yasser Bahbaz (SPP)

Leesa Oakes (SPP)

Steve Ashbaker (WECC)

**AGENDA ITEM 2 – REVIEW PREVIOUS ACTION ITEMS.**

- Kathee Downey (PAC), Brenna Andrews (NWMT), Robin Chung (BPA) to poll PST owners outside of UFMP on interest in participation in expanded usage with compensation.

Brenna Andrews (NWMT) has been in discussion with internal staff regarding studying path 18 at Millcreek. Expanding PST usage can be done in parallel with strategic efforts being discussed by the groups. Group members will continue to gauge interest in non-qualified device owners' interest in participating in future programs where they may be compensated.

**AGENDA ITEM 3 – STRATEGIC SESSION**

Yasser Bahbaz (SPP) gave a UFMP expansion approach presentation for consideration of GTL. Three primary items need to be addressed with the current process. One, for intra BA schedules, BAs/TOPs are subject to transmission schedule curtailment by the WIUFMP depending on their schedule practices and not based on the priority of the schedule. Two, other Impactful MW impacts on a constraint may not be curtailable even if they contribute to significant loop flows or direct impact on a Qualified Path. Three, there is interest in addressing congestion

management across specific SOLs and allocate equitable and effective relief to any impacting entity on an element.

Moving forward, Bahbaz suggested a short-term approach that will work in conjunction with the current UFMP and not impact compensation. The Western Interconnection could expand Congestion Management Events to any SOL and IROL (works in conjunction with PST Coordination thru UFMP on Qualified Paths), and expand relief obligation assignment to Gen-To-Load Energy (energy used by a BA or Market to serve load within its boundary that is not tagged. This is typically not tagged or scheduled). The long-term goal of expanding congestion management in the Western Interconnection will likely involve markets where expanded PST usage beyond qualified paths is warranted.

The group discussed the approach and agreed to develop a task force to address specifics. This task force will be developed under the ECCWG. Ashley Stringer (SPP) will reach out to interested group members for participation on the task force and to develop a charter. The design objectives of the task force will be to expand transmission relief allocation to tags and BA non-tagged impact equitably and effectively utilizing transmission priorities and a threshold impact, as well as an ability to capture the impact breakdown of every constraint created by a TOP, BA or RC utilizing the ECC application.

The group also discussed potential overlap with the WECC path task force. Members requested that Igor Kormaz (TSGT and Path TF member) update the Path TF about the short-term goal discussed in today's meeting.

### **AGENDA ITEM 3 – REVIEW ACTION ITEMS**

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### **AGENDA ITEM 4 – FUTURE MEETINGS**

TBD

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m. CDT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashley Stringer

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