

SOUTHWEST POWER POOL, INC.
Load Forecasting Task Force Meeting

Irving, TX

March 4th, 2025: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Attendance

Cochran, Brad	Oklahoma Gas & Electric
Pedersen, Skylar (Proxy)	Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation
Harris, Mark	American Electric Power
Maddock, JP	Basin
Flucke, Jim	Evergy
Brown, Scott	NextEra
Wilson, Joe Dan	Golden Sprad
Rosenkranz, Jason	Nebraska Public Power District
Goodenough, John	SPS
Cocklin, Joe	Lincoln Electric System

Administrative Items

1. LFTF Chair, Brad Cochran, called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM on March 4th, 2025
2. Roll call and review of proxies
3. Agenda review

Meeting Minutes Review and Update

Approval Item

Motion: Motion to approve meeting minutes from the February 19, 2025, LFTF meeting.

- Motion made by Jim Flucke.
- Seconded by Mark Harris.
- Motion passed unanimously via verbal approval, with no abstentions.

Member Presentation

- Jim Fluke provided an update on his deliverable related to LRE forecasting responsibilities. He presented an outline of the document and discussed aspects of the process requiring further discussion. He summarized the current requirements, identified areas needing improvement, and provided recommendations. The outline received positive feedback from

LFTF members and led to some discussion on RA-TP timeline differences, LRE forecasts and how they differ based on purpose and customer, and the use of 50/50 forecasts vs other types.

- Brad Cochran presented the revised problem statement and LFTF objective. Jason Rosencranz suggested that the problem statement should address the accuracy of forecasts. Otherwise, the problem statement and objective did not receive any other comments. Changes will be incorporated into the problem statement before the next meeting. At that time, the LFTF may vote on approval.
- Brad then presented the revised framework for load forecasting, proposing that SPP establish acceptance criteria before LREs develop their forecasts. Afshin Salehian suggested that SPP could perform a top-down load forecast to be checked against the LRE-submitted bottom-up forecast. If they are very dissimilar, further discussion will be warranted.
 - Chris Haley (SPP Staff) expressed concern about SPP taking on a forecast approval role and suggested that the LFTF instead establish clear guidelines and criteria for LRE load forecasting.
 - He also explained that there is a parallel directive from the Resource and Energy Adequacy Leadership Team (LRE Peak Demand Assessment), which is not necessarily complementary to this proposed framework.

SPP Staff Presentations

- Status updates on the three LFTF deliverables:
 - The Inputs and Assumptions paper is 35% complete.
 - The Processes document is 80% complete.
 - The Responsibilities document, presented during this meeting, is 50% complete.

Future Meetings

- The 2025 meeting schedule, covering April to July, was included in the agenda. Details about the June in-person meeting will be communicated to members in the coming weeks.

Administrative Items

- Brad Cochran adjourned the meeting at 2:55 PM on March 4, 2025. The meeting was kept short due to winter weather impacting travel.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonny Bandak