



Western  
Area Power  
Administration

## Discussion on Markets

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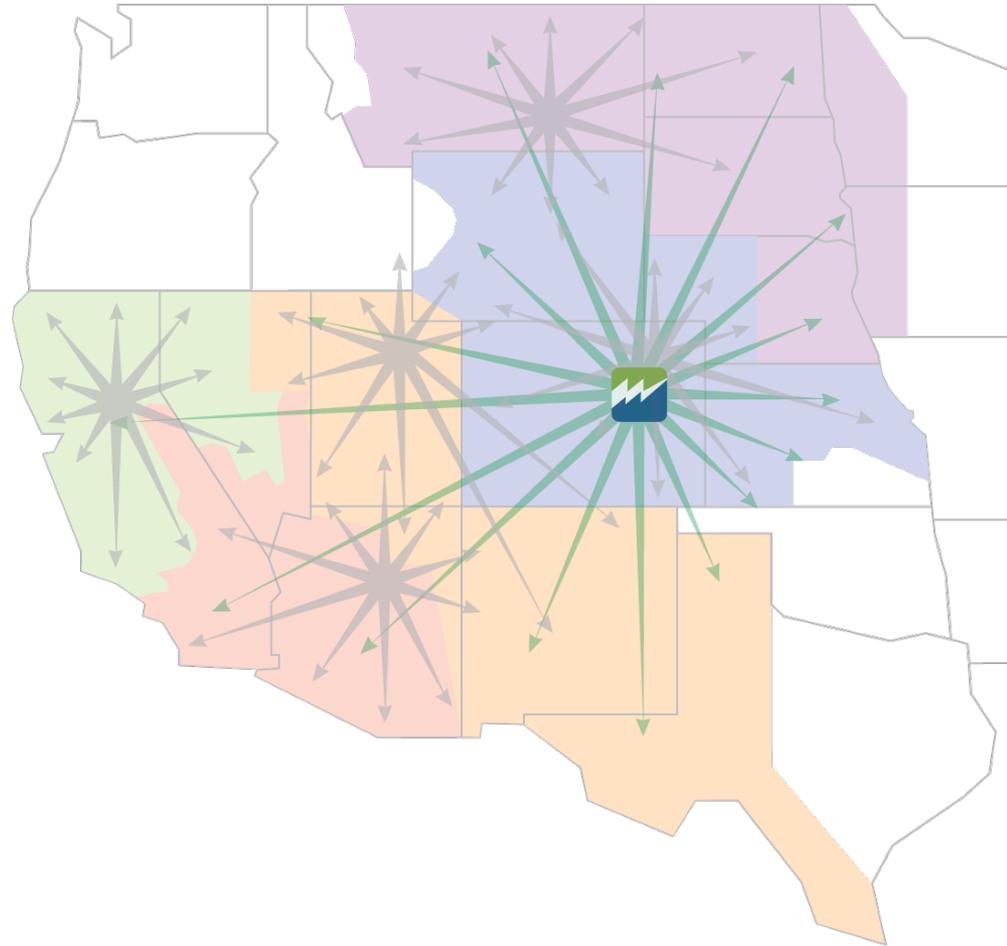
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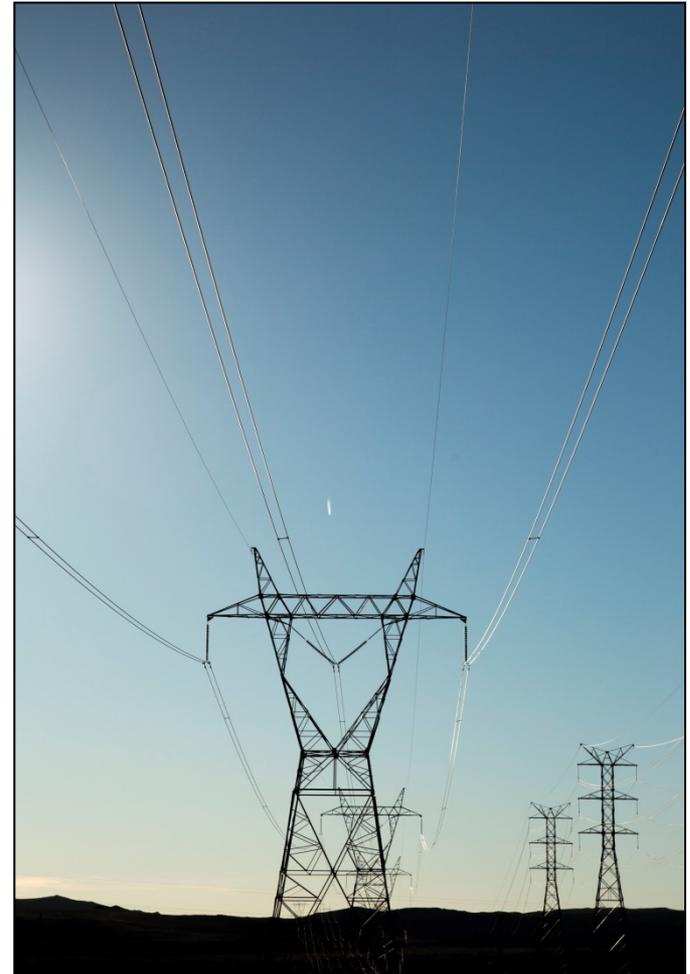
# WAPA's Concerns

- Statutory requirements
- Each region has unique legislation and needs that must be addressed on case-by-case basis
- Cost



# WAPA's Interest

- WAPA's significant transmission system
  - More than 17,000 circuit miles
  - 15 states
  - Among top 10 in the country
- Expanding geographic scope of markets
- Expanding number of participants
- Increasingly limited trading partners



# Industry Trends: Customer Survey

- Industry driven by:
  - Convergence of technology
  - Rates
  - Customer engagement
  - Regulations
- Key trends:
  - Regulatory burdens / environmental concerns
  - Cyber
  - Coal plant closures
  - Aging infrastructure / Asset Management
  - Transmission reliability



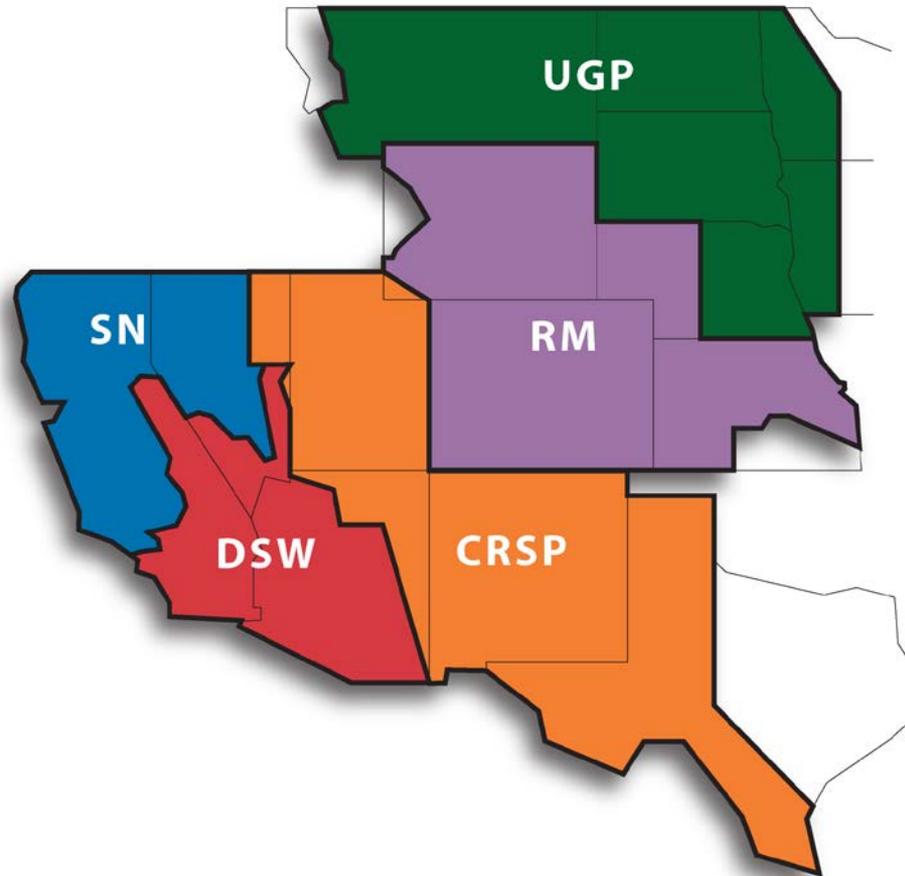
# Key Take Away

*Each region has unique legislation and needs that must be addressed on case-by-case basis.*

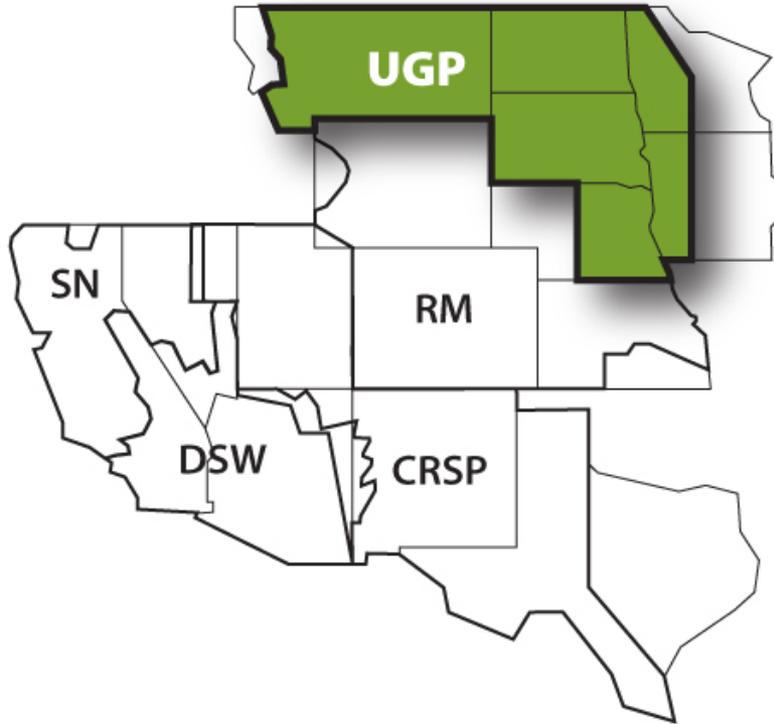
*Customer engagement is critical.*



# WAPA's Five Regions

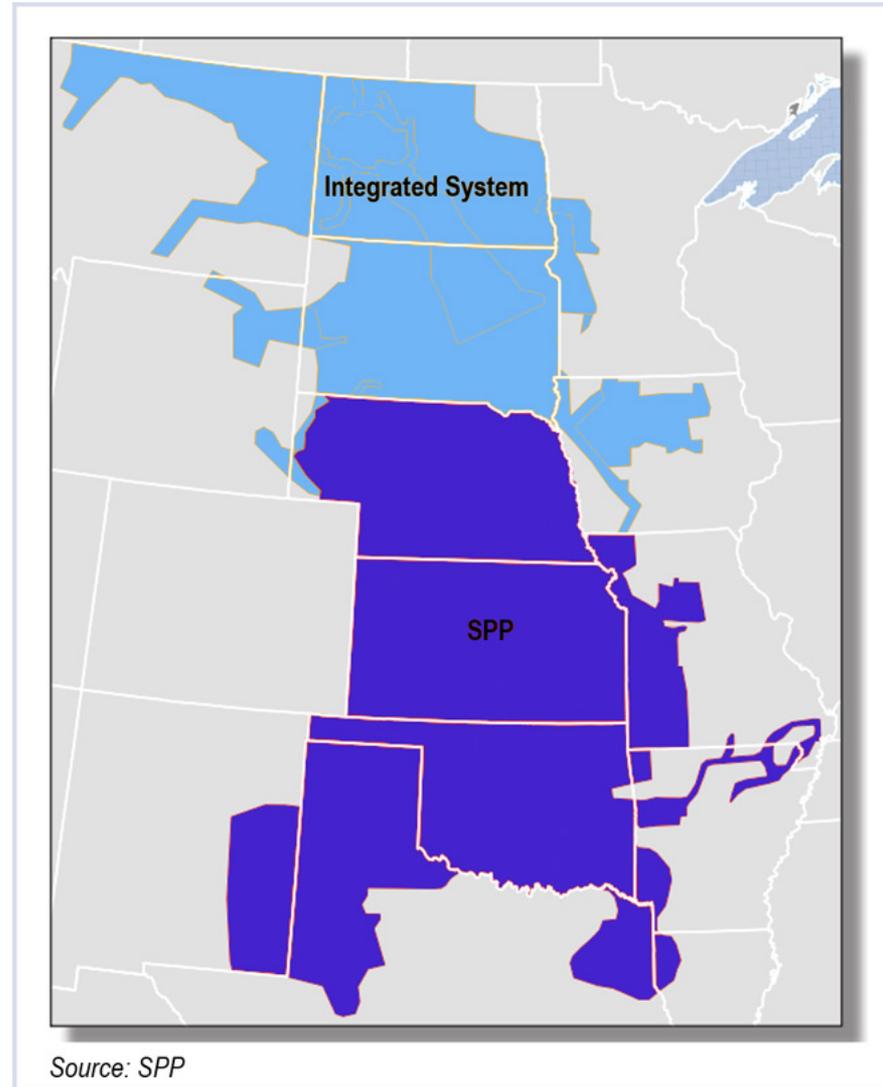


# Upper Great Plains Region

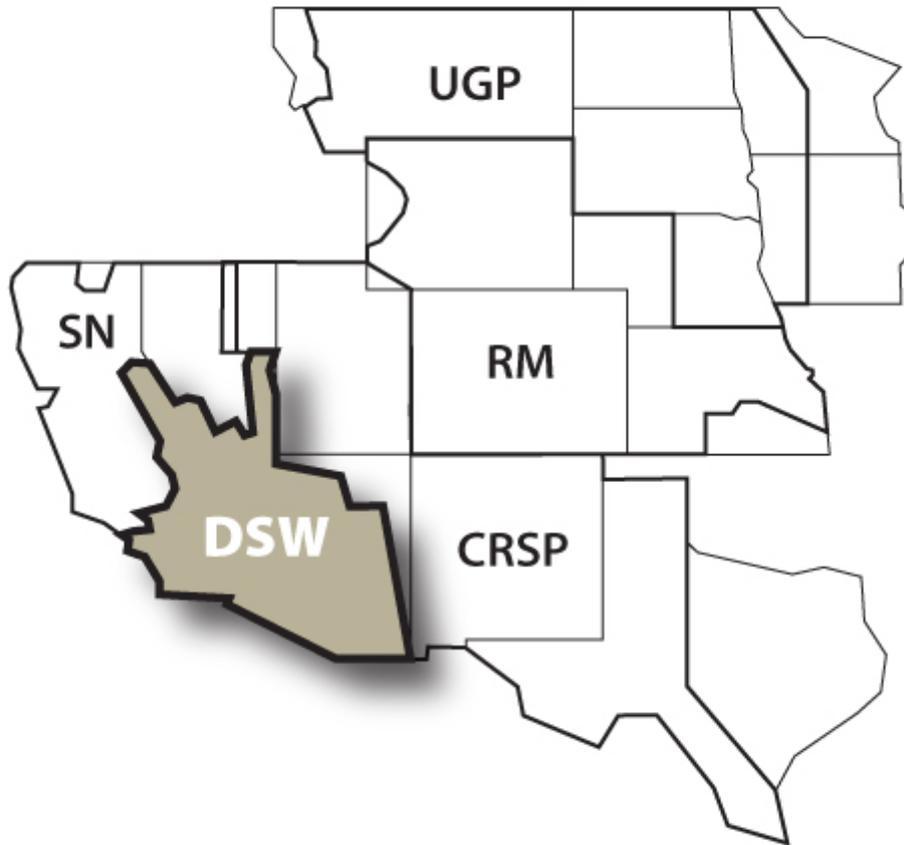


# Joining Southwest Power Pool

- Joined SPP October 1, 2015
- SPP provides greater flexibility  
Creates more options for buying and selling
- Reduces constraints in delivering power
- Helps keep costs low for customers
- Alternate Operations Study \$11.5 M net benefits predicted initial year savings/cost avoidance
- Savings estimated to be greater than the AOS



# Desert Southwest Region



# DSW Market Update

- WAPA CAISO EIM participation not good fit (2013)
  - Based on Argonne study
  - Little energy imbalance
- Since 2013, significant growth in participation in markets in the Southwest
- Growth presents potential for new opportunities as well as costs
- Recognized need to re-evaluate costs/benefits: EIM options or alternatives
- Effects of existing bi-lateral markets in Southwest
- Effects on regional grid operations

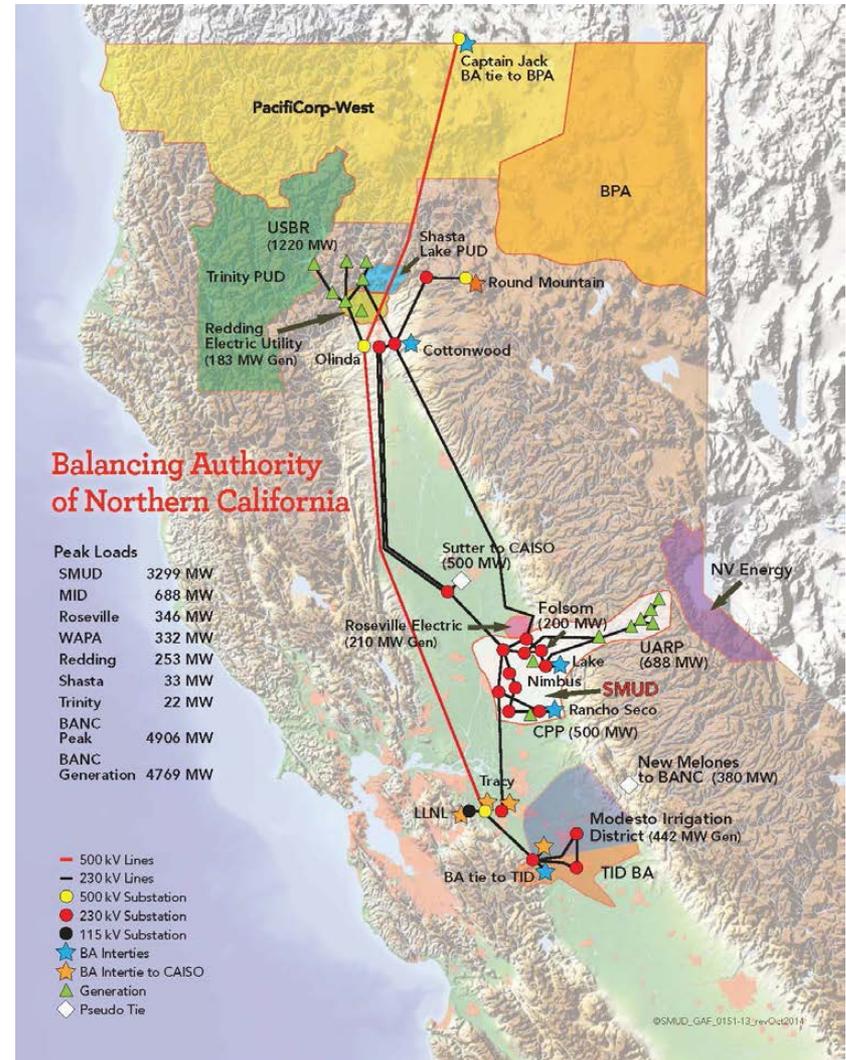
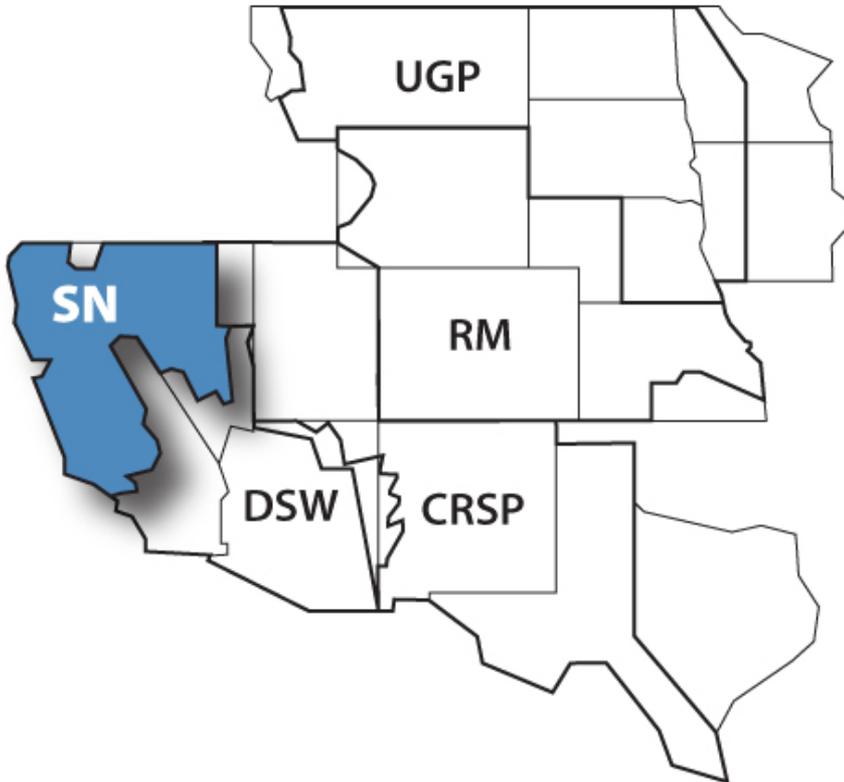


# Exploring EIM Alternatives

- DSW exploring and analyzing existing markets and EIM alternatives
- Participation in EIM or alternative must provide value for DSW customers
- Ultimate Objectives: Determine any customer benefits of EIM or potential alternatives
  - Weigh opportunities for market participation
  - Evaluate operational benefits, including renewable integration
  - Provide stakeholders and customers with thorough analysis of all options



# Sierra Nevada Region



# Balancing Authority of Northern California

Slide from BANC's presentation at WAPA's June 30 Markets Meeting

## Evaluation Status

- Several rounds of benefit and cost analyses are complete
  - Sensitivity runs being initiated (hydro year, price volatility, RPS levels)
- Benefits – gross benefits for all 4 participants & WAPA-SNR
- Costs
  - Implementation costs – in range of prior EIM entities
  - Ongoing costs – high compared to prior EIM entities due to BANC not being one vertically integrated entity
- Still evaluating results to determine if/what scenarios would provide net benefits
- BANC initial decision-making planned for late August
- WAPA-SNR not BANC member and will have separate decision-making process
- If BANC proceeds, most likely looking at 2019 Go Live



**BALANCING AUTHORITY OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**

A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BETWEEN

Modesto Irrigation District | City of Redding | City of Roseville | Sacramento Municipal Utility District | City of Shasta Lake | Trinity Public Utility District

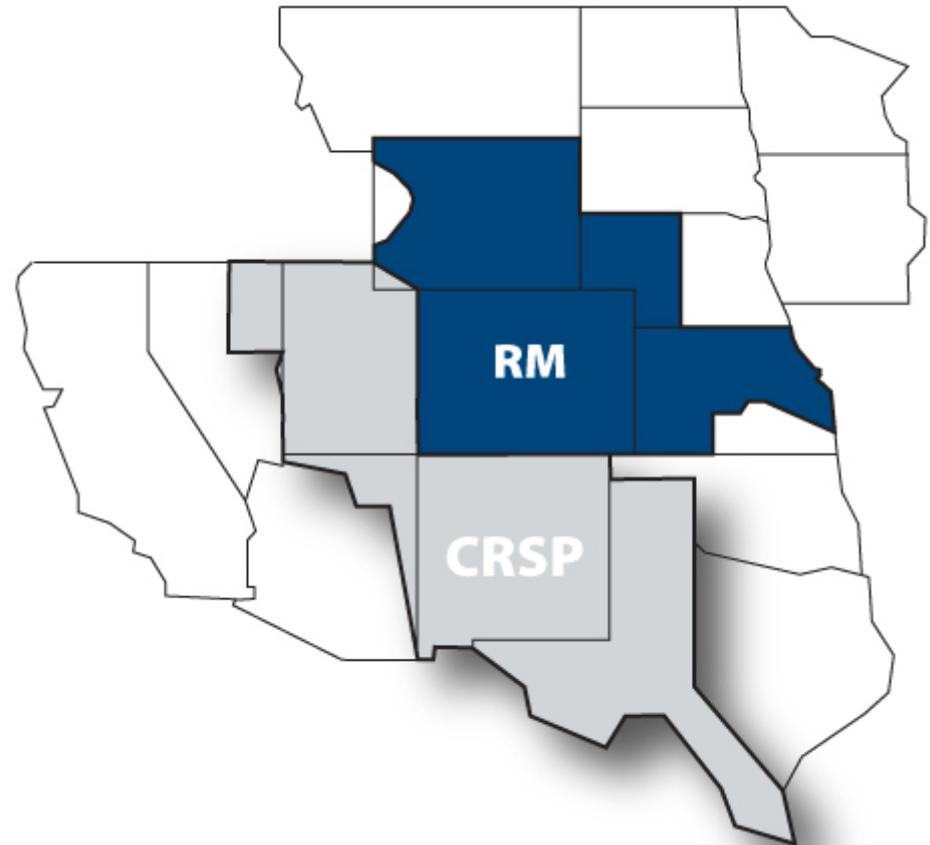
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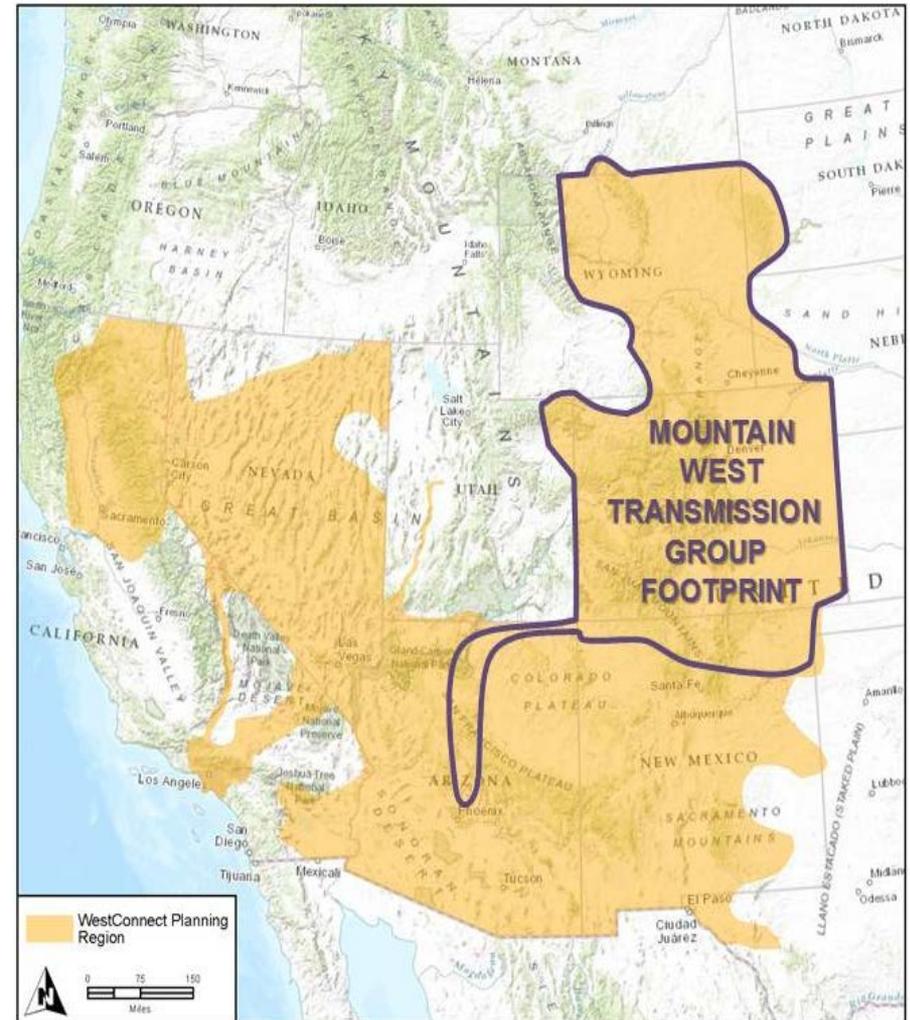
# Rocky Mountain and Colorado River Storage Project

- RM/LAP and CRSP participating in Mountain West Transmission Group
- CRSP Merchant handles both LAP and CRSP
- LAP SPP Market Participant in SPP since 2015



# MWTG

- Goal – Create a single multi-company transmission tariff and explore “Day 2” market alternatives
- MWTG TSPs include: two IOUs, two municipals; two REA G&Ts; two Federal PMA projects
- MWTG members are a sub-set of the WestConnect planning region members and are members of the Colorado Coordinated Planning Group (CCPG)
- Currently includes seven parties with nine transmission tariffs





# Participating Transmission Owners

- Current Transmission Owners\*
  - Basin Electric Power Cooperative (BEPC)
  - Black Hills Corporation (BHC) including its three affiliates
    - ✓ Black Hills Power, Inc. (BHP), Black Hills Colorado
    - ✓ Electric Utility Company, LP (BHCE) and Cheyenne Light
    - ✓ Fuel & Power Company (Cheyenne)
  - Colorado Springs Utilities (CSU)
  - Platte River Power Authority (PRPA)
  - Public Service Company of Colorado (PSCo)
  - Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. (Tri-State)
  - WAPA
    - ✓ Loveland Area Projects (LAP)
    - ✓ Colorado River Storage Project (CRSP)

*\*Other Owners may join prior or post start-up*



# MWTG 2013 Statistics

Transmission Owner	Gross Transmission Plant (\$)	Net Transmission Plant (\$)	Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement (\$)	Miles of Transmission
Basin Electric Power Cooperative Westside	52,126,841	19,108,267	4,535,874	209
Cheyenne Light Fuel & Power	41,027,108	35,981,808	6,848,030	45
Black Hills Colorado Electric Utility	333,880,142	146,938,581	12,452,172	581
City of Colorado Springs Utilities	140,898,577	67,284,691	21,957,844	232
Common Use System (BEPC & BHC)	243,548,935	185,304,004	29,846,727	983
Platte River Power Authority	348,969,285	266,337,678	38,277,136	370
Western CRSP	651,271,471	391,945,017	58,386,041	2,325
Western LAP	550,045,450	286,761,337	61,866,058	2,508
Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association	766,276,122	431,085,996	96,781,507	4,660
Public Service Company of Colorado	1,616,197,083	1,265,799,495	208,498,664	3,782
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,744,241,013</b>	<b>\$ 3,096,546,874</b>	<b>\$539,450,053</b>	<b>15,694</b>





# Mountain West Benefits

- One transmission provider
  - De-pancaking of transmission charges
  - Foundation for an organized market
  - All load is network load of MWTG
  - Single determination of ATC/AFC
    - ✓ Transition away from contract path to flow-based
  - Improved transmission planning and interconnection processes
    - ✓ Will comply with Order No. 1000
    - ✓ Avoid duplication of facility investments
    - ✓ One point of contact for system interconnections
    - ✓ Additional siting opportunities for new resources
  - May assist in addressing future regulatory challenges





# MWTG - Significant Work to Date

- Strong cooperative effort - group has held over 50 meetings
- Significant success with rate design and cost shift mitigation, despite multiple failed attempts at regional tariffs in the past
- Developed and signed an MOU summarizing work to date
- Developed a Request for Information for RTO/ISO response
- Currently conducting a Market Study to evaluate resource side benefits of having a joint tariff as well as a joint tariff with a full Day-2 market
- On-going outreach in various forums





# MWTG Rate Design

- Network customers pay the zonal rate in which their load sinks
  - Owners in zone retain revenue for zonal network load
- 8 zones
  - Each transmission owner is a zone, except Tri-State
  - Tri-State facilities are split between Western LAP and PSCo zones
  - Cheyenne facilities are not recovered under the Tariff
- Single Regional Through and Out Rate (RTOR) applied to PTP
  - $RTOR = \frac{\text{Total MWTG ATRR}}{\text{Total MWTG load}}$
  - Revenues allocated based off of ATRR and MW-Mile split, after mitigation
- Cost shifts largely mitigated





# MWTG Request for Information

- Issued to SPP, CAISO, MISO and PJM in May
- Obtain information and cost estimates from qualified entities
  - Asking entities to provide information on a wide range of services from Transmission Tariff Administrator to Full Market/RTO participation
    - ✓ TSP services
    - ✓ Ancillary services, losses, and other provisions
    - ✓ Interconnection processes
    - ✓ Planning concepts
    - ✓ Market operator
- RFI is one of multiple sources of information to assist the group in consideration of path forward





# MWTG Markets Study

- Group is conducting a two-phase production cost study
- Executed study agreement, NDA and completed phase I
- Study Current Year 2016 (Phase I)
  - Status quo with nine tariffs
  - Remove pancaked transmission charges to simulate a joint tariff
  - Add full Day-Ahead market structure
- Future Year 2024 (Phase II)
  - Multiple cases, still in development





# MWTG Outreach (Started and Ongoing)

- State Regulatory Authorities
- Western outreach to its preference customers
- Each party's outreach to its constituents
- Other stakeholder organizations
- RTOs
- FERC



# MWTG Key Decisions

## 1. Establish Joint Tariff?

- Yes – Foundation for Market
- No – Energy Market option

## 2. What level of Market?

- No Market
- Energy Only Market
- Full Market

## 3. Which RTO/ISO?

- Membership
- Contract Relationship

## Analysis Inputs:

1. MWTG Transmission Cost Study
2. MWTG RFI
3. MWTG Market Study
4. Analysis of Impacts:
  - a. Staffing
  - b. IT (Meters, Settlements, EMS, etc.)
  - c. Ancillaries
  - d. Compliance
  - e. Pancaked Losses
  - f. Planning Reserve Margin
  - g. Marketing Plan
  - h. RC
  - i. Governance



# MWTG Decision Timeline (Estimated)

Now through Fall: Analysis

January 2017: MWTG Agreement on Direction to Pursue

Winter 2017: WAPA FRN Proposing Direction to Pursue

Spring 2017: WAPA Customer Meeting(s) / Comment Period

Summer 2017: WAPA Decision

2018/2019: Implementation



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