



WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION

Securing a resilient energy future

Dear Customers,

I'm pleased to share that as of midnight Central Daylight Time on April 1, Western Area Power Administration's Colorado River Storage Project and Rocky Mountain regions officially began operations within the Southwest Power Pool Regional Transmission Organization. In addition, our Upper Great Plains region has expanded its existing participation in the SPP RTO into the Western Interconnection.

This milestone reflects more than five years of extensive coordination, planning and engagement with you – our customers. Your participation, feedback and partnership throughout this process have been essential. Together, we have taken a meaningful step to ensure our collective success in a rapidly evolving energy industry.

By joining and expanding participation in the SPP RTO, we are increasing regional coordination, broadening access to diverse resources, enabling more efficient transmission utilization, and strengthening real-time and day-ahead market operations, transmission planning and reliability services. These improvements support the ongoing reliability and economic performance of WAPA's resources in a dynamic energy industry.

As always, WAPA remains committed to safely delivering reliable, cost-based hydropower and transmission to the communities you serve. I want to thank you for your continued partnership and engagement. Together, we will keep adapting to the demands of a changing energy landscape and ensuring that our public power mission continues to provide value long into the future.

We look forward to working with our customers and partners through the continuing transition. If you have any questions, please reach out.

Warm regards,

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