Eastern Interconnection Planning Collaborative

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Overview

- EIPC Objectives
- Status Update
- Schedule of Analysis
- Formation of Stakeholder Steering Committee
- Challenges & Opportunities



What are the Objectives of the EIPC?

- 1. Roll-up and analysis of approved regional plans
- 2. Establishment of a multi-constituency stakeholder process
- Identification & selection of possible resource expansion scenarios
- 4. Development of interregional transmission expansion options
- Providing sound technical analysis for consideration by federal & state regulators and policy makers

The EIPC is committed to an open and transparent process that uses a roll-up of regional plans as a starting point and is consistent with FERC Order 890 principles.

EIPC Status

- EIPC Analysis Team structure is in place
- 24 Planning Authorities signed (U.S. and Canada) with approximately 95% of the Eastern Interconnection customers covered
- Website launched www.eipconline.com
- Stakeholder dialog on formation of Stakeholder Steering Committee (SSC) continues
- DOE announced \$16M funding of the EIPC Eastern Interconnection studies proposal
- DOE also awarded \$14M to the EISPC proposal





Eastern Interconnection Planning Collaborative (EIPC) (Open Collaborative Process)

Project Manager for DOE Project Award

EIPC Analysis Team Principal Investigators Planning Authorities Stakeholder Steering Committee (SSC)



Stakeholder Work Groups



Executive Leadership

Technical Leadership & Support Group

Stakeholder Groups

States

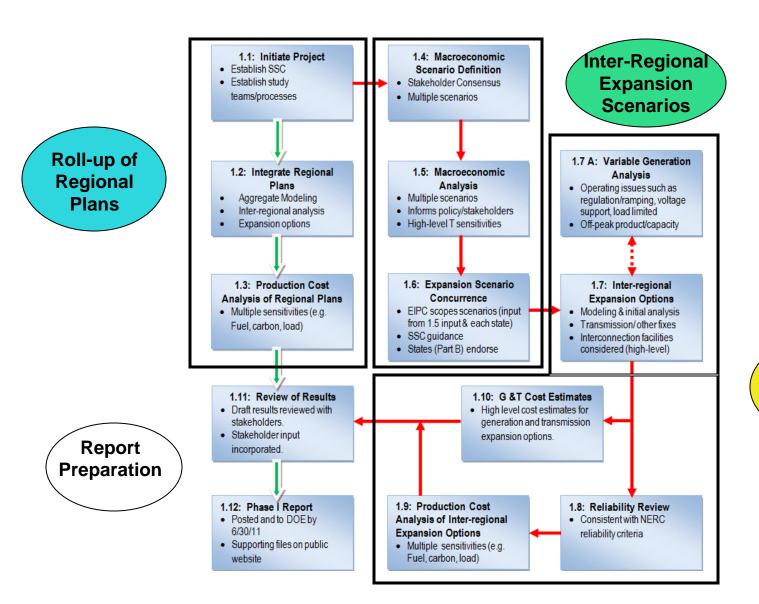
Provinces

Federal

Owners
Operators
Users

DOE Project Award Subcontractors

EIPC DOE Bid: Process Flow Chart



Inter-Regional Transmission Options

EIPC Revised DOE Bid: Schedule of Analysis

- Part I (Jan 2010 June 2011)
 - Jan-Mar 2010 Start of Project (subject to DOE agreement)
 - May 2010 Establishment of the SSC
 - Mar 2011– Integration of Regional Plans
 - April 2011 Macroeconomic Analysis Completed
 - June 2011 Concurrence on Resource Expansion Scenarios
 - March-June 2011 Review Draft Part I Report w/Stakeholders
 - June 30, 2011 Part I Report Filed with DOE
- Part II (July 2011 June 2012)
 - Oct 2011 Develop Inter-regional Transmission Options
 - Feb 2012 Transmission Reliability Analysis Completed
 - Production Cost Analysis & Cost Estimates Completed
 - March-June 2012 Review Draft Phase II Report w/Stakeholders
 - June 30, 2012 Part II Report Filed with DOE



Stakeholder Steering Committee (SSC)

- Provides strategic guidance to the Analysis
 Team
- Provides feedback on scenario analysis
- Represents various stakeholder constituencies
- Willingness to work collaboratively
- Holds open meetings



State & Provincial Participants (EISPC)

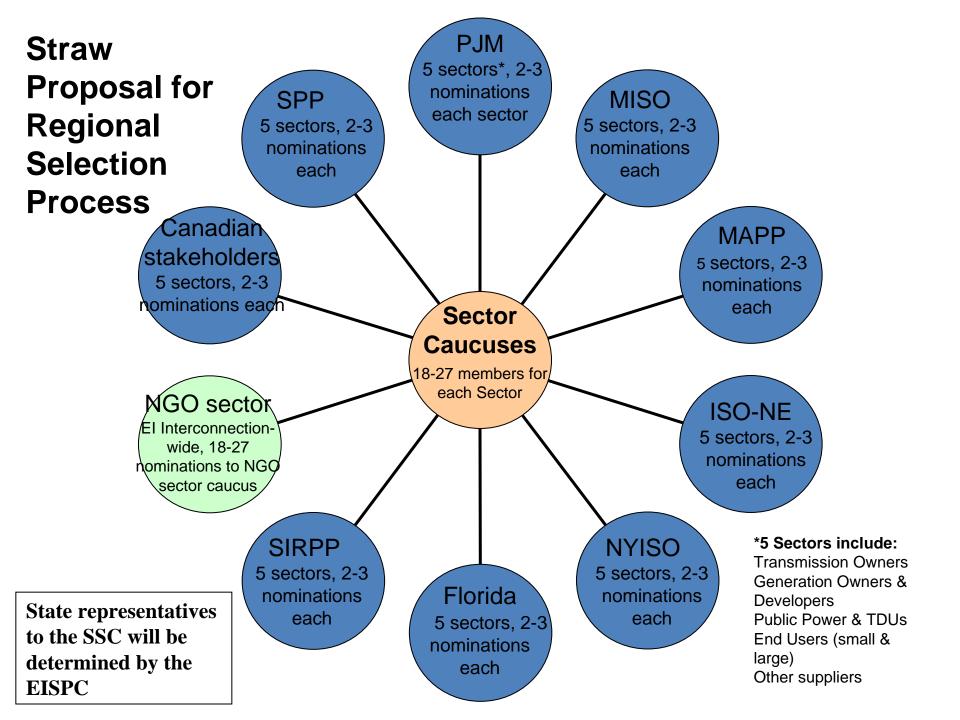
- Responsible for developing consensus among states (regulators & Governors' appointees)
 - Provide input to Topic A group
 - Identify Renewable Energy Zones
 - Identify resource types
 - Conduct other studies
- Appoint state & provincial members to the SSC



SSC Formation: Next Steps

- "Straw Proposal" Posted March 10th
 - SSC Formation & Structure
 - SSC Purpose, Roles & Responsibilities
- Webinars for Stakeholder feedback
 - March 17th -- 10AM EDT
 - March 19th -- 10AM EDT
 - March 23rd -- 11AM EDT
 - Follow-up: Written comments due by March 31st
- Eastern-Interconnection wide meeting
 - Week of April 12th
 - Location TBD
- All documents posted at: www.eipconline.com

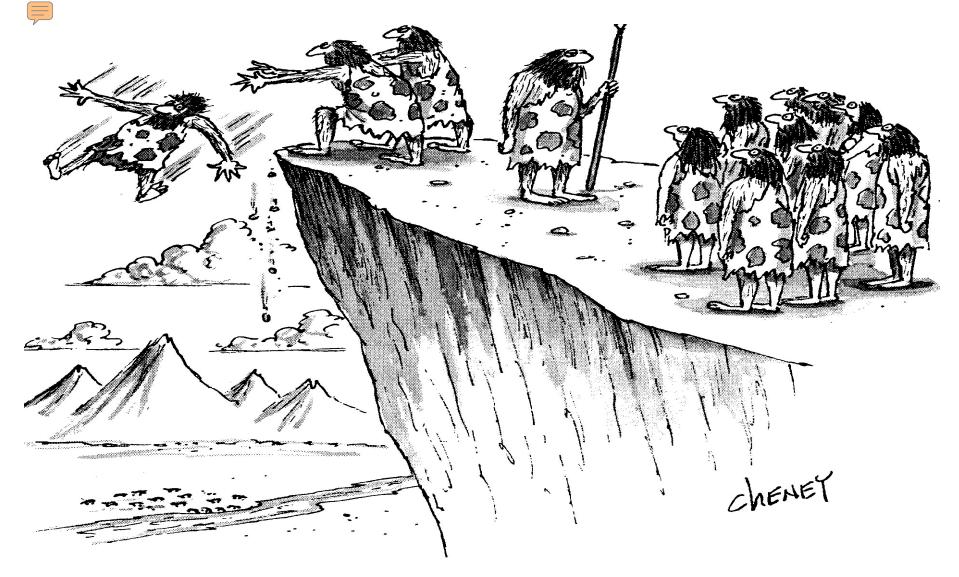




Challenges and Opportunities

- Collaboration among states, regions and all stakeholders on formation of SSC
- Development of an effective stakeholder process
- Need for consensus on scenarios given resource limitations and complexity of scenarios
- Involvement of all Planning Authorities in the Eastern Interconnection
- Interface and joint studies with the other three interconnections in North America





So, does anyone else feel that their needs aren't being met??



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