



**CEIP Advisory Group**

Meeting Date: March 18, 2025  
 Time: 9:00am – 10:30am  
 Location: Zoom Meeting

**Attendees:**

<b>Avista:</b>	<b>Members:</b>
<i>Kelly Dengel</i>	<i>Jean Kindem</i>
<i>Amanda Ghering</i>	<i>Jean Marie Dryer</i>
<i>Shawn Bonfield</i>	<i>Sofya Atitstogbe</i>
<i>Heather Webster</i>	<i>Carol Weltz</i>
<i>Kristine Meyer</i>	<i>Lisa Stites</i>
<i>Nicole Hydzik</i>	<i>Karen Boone</i>
<i>Mike Magruder</i>	<i>Margee Chambers</i>
<i>Christine Tasche</i>	<i>Charlee Thompson</i>
<i>James Gall</i>	<i>Nora Hawkins</i>
<i>Ana Matthews</i>	<i>Nathan South</i>
<i>Tamara Bradley</i>	<i>Molly Morgan</i>
<i>Ariana Barry</i>	<i>Shaylee Stokes</i>
<i>Jake Jacobs</i>	
<i>Josie Cummings</i>	
<i>Leona Haley</i>	

**Agenda**

- I. Welcome & Introductions
  - Overview of Meeting: Rules and Intent
- II. 2025 Public Participation and Named Communities
- III. CEIP Meetings through 2025

**Facilitator**

Kelly Dengel  
  
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**Meeting Notes**

**Welcome & Introductions**

Introductions and Meeting Rules and Intent and review of today’s agenda.

**Review 2025 CEIP Advisory Group Comments from previous meeting**

Reviewed comments received from Washington Staff and Avista’s response to each comment for transparency. Slides 3-9

Discussion for DR MW comment

## Demand Response Options

Current Avista Rate Schedule or Contract  
\*2025 IRP Cost Effective Programs

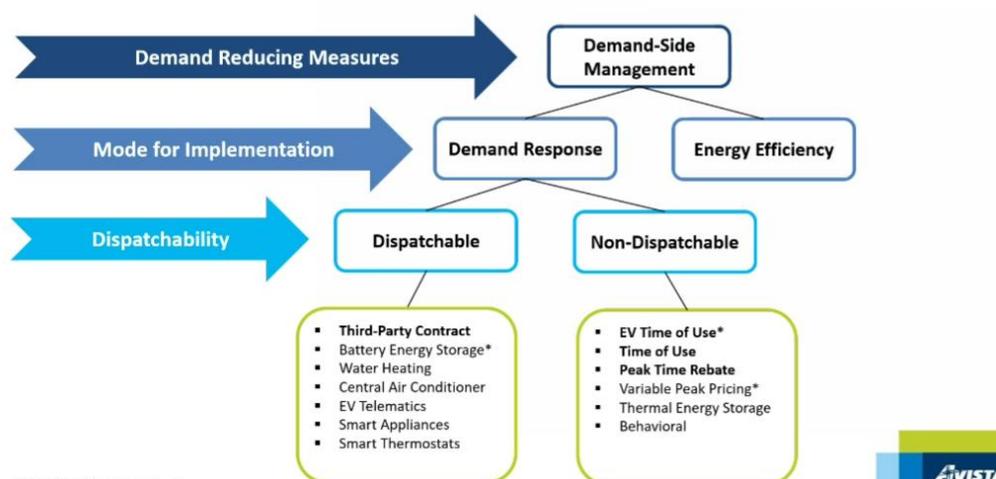
2025 IRP / CEAP Cost Effective Cumulative DR (MW)

Year	Battery Energy Storage	EV Time of Use Rates	Variable Peak Pricing	Peak Time Rebate	Total Demand Response
2026	0.03	0.09	0.35	-	0.47
2027	0.10	0.30	1.00	-	1.40
2028	0.24	0.54	2.19	-	2.97
2029	0.92	0.80	3.17	-	4.89
2030	2.47	1.06	3.70	-	7.23
2031	3.44	1.35	3.88	-	8.67
2032	3.83	1.68	3.92	-	9.43
2033	4.28	2.02	3.92	-	10.22
2034	4.75	2.41	3.93	-	11.09
2035	5.39	2.85	3.95	0.20	12.38

We anticipate the 5MW of DR to be obtained through its current RFP process.

## 2025 IRP Demand Reducing Categories

Current Avista Rate Schedule or Contract  
\*2025 IRP Cost Effective Programs



A look at how Avista is currently measuring DR

## Measuring Existing Demand Response

Current Avista Rate Schedule or Contract  
\*2025 IRP Cost Effective Programs

Estimates based on AEG's 2024 DR Potential Study

		Meter Count	Winter kW	Summer kW
Non-Dispatchable	• EV Time of Use*	58	71.51	71.51
	• Time of Use	209	23.03	17.91
	• Peak Time Rebate	730	170.59	132.92
	<b>Total</b>		<b>265.13</b>	<b>222.34</b>

**Member (Staff):** I see that accumulative from the IRP of 5mw, since the RFP timeline won't line up with the CEIP filing, if the RFP shows there is more cost-effective DR that you would update the CEIP somehow? Maybe this will be a condition that if anything above the 5MW is identified and selected that it will be included in the target.

**Company:** We are happy to include an update in the Biennial update and what the adjusted target may be if more than 5MW is selected.

**Member (Staff):** You could also file a compliance filing that states that while the CEIP identified 5 MW the RFP identified more and that a higher amount was selected. Or the biennial would be fine too.

Discussed the EE Targets, we will not be conducting a new CPA, and we will be measuring EE programs through their impact on CBIs.

Cost impacts will be discussed in the CEIP pertaining to energy burden and project how actions may change depending on their cost. To mitigate high energy burden, we will pursue increasing saturation rate in LIRAP programs

**Member (TEP):** This made me think about the intersection between Energy Efficiency on named communities and energy burden. Is there discussion or intent to overlap or target those with really high energy burden who are within the LIRAP umbrella, we have low-income weatherization or is there a targeted outreach strategy for this group?

**Member (Staff):** I would be useful to have a discussion about the proceeds from the CCA and how these proceeds and credits will be applied to help mitigate the energy burden and advance equity because this is one of the main reasons for CETA.

**Company:** We do not have credits or proceeds at this time and we cannot assume there will ever be revenues to pass back to customers and how those will be used for future compliance.

## [2025 CEIP Public Participation Plan Review](#)

High level review of PPP strategies

### [2025 – 2027 Public Participation Plan](#)

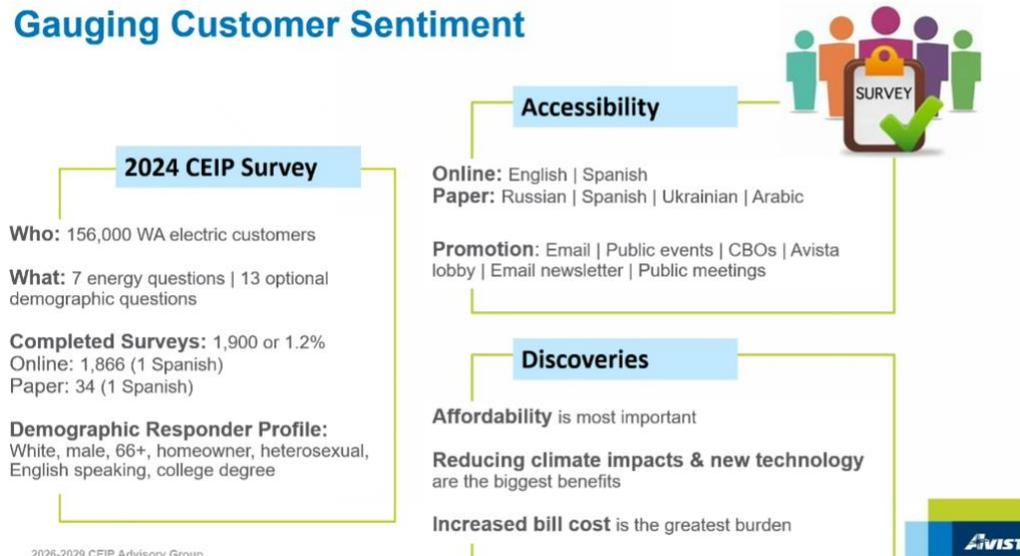


#### Participation Strategies

- Virtual public meetings
- Quarterly email newsletter
- Equity Advisory Group
- Community events
- Biennial CEIP survey
- CEIP webpage improvements
- Increase multi-language access
- Educational videos
- Targeted paid social media
- Community partnerships

We plan to survey customers on a biennial basis and measure changes for how customers are responding over time. We have 7 questions and 13 optional demographic questions. This survey is in different languages. Below is a high-level view of the survey and responses.

## Gauging Customer Sentiment



We have made significant improvements to our CETA webpage, it is now easier to navigate and find relevant information. Here is a snapshot of the before and after.

## CETA Webpage Improvements

**Before**

**After**

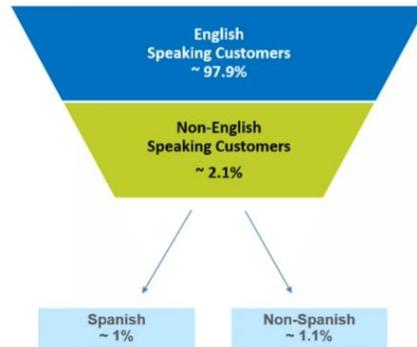
CETA landing page with four new pages:

- Public Meetings
- Equity Advisory Group
- Named Communities Investment Fund
- Clean Energy Implementation Plan

## Language Access:

### Increasing Washington's Multi-Language Access

Washington Residential Customer Languages\*



\*Based on Public Participation Partner's independent study included in Avista's 2023 Public Participation Plan

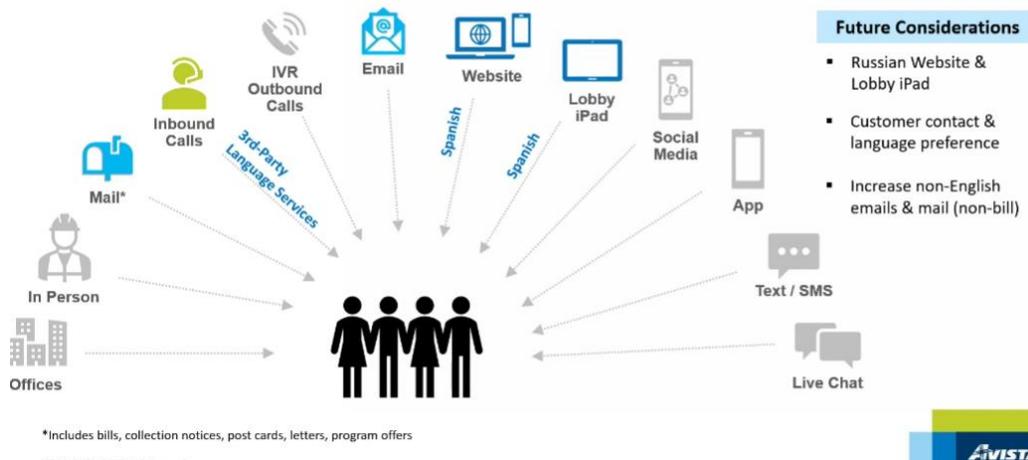
2026-2028 CFIP & Action Plan



Customers were only able to speak with someone through the translation line through a customer service representative.

This is a look at the proposed future state aspirational goal by end of 2025

### Multi-Language Access Today & the Future



**Educational Videos:** We have been working with DH, our first video is in production, will be in English but have subtitles in 5 priority languages.

**Member (Staff):** I appreciate the effort to move forward language access, it's nice to see the progress being made

We are also targeting advertisements for NCIF stories and sharing information about our quarterly public participation meetings to increase awareness and participation in these meetings.



## Named Communities\* Populations

<b>Avista Electric Residential Households</b> (as of Q4 2024)	<b>245,564**</b>	
	<b>2021 CEIP</b>	<b>2025 CEIP</b>
<b>Washington State Department of Health (DOH)</b>	<b>DOH V1 2019</b>	<b>DOH V2 2022</b>
Highly Impacted Communities	15,157	+ 19,610
Vulnerable Populations	43,010	+ 6,967
Both HIC & VP	47,700	+ 2,556
<b>Total</b>	<b>105,587 or 43%</b>	<b>134,720 or 55%**</b>
<b>Federal Climate and Economic Justice 40 Map</b>		<b>J40 V2 2024</b>
All sensitives & scores added to Vulnerable Populations		+ 8,637

This will significantly increase the number of customers who are considered highly impacted or vulnerable (Named Communities). We are proposing this for consistency in data between each CEIP, as listed below:

### Updating Named Community Populations & Metrics

	2022 – 2025 CBIs					2026 – 2029 CBIs				
<b>Maps</b>	<b>2021 Baseline</b>	2022	2023	2024	2025	<b>2025 Baseline</b>	2026	2027	2027	2029
DOH V1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
DOH V2						✓				
J40 V2						✓				
	<b>Highly Impacted Communities*:</b> All sensitivities combined score 9 or higher, Tribal census tracks <b>Vulnerable Populations:</b> Socioeconomic & Sensitive Populations at 9 or higher + EAG Input					<b>Highly Impacted Communities*:</b> All sensitivities combined score 9 or higher, Tribal census tracks <b>Vulnerable Populations:</b> Socioeconomic & Sensitive Populations at 9 or higher + EAG Input + Justice 40 V2				

\* WAC 480-100-605



**Member (Staff):** Because the number of people in highly impacted communities is so high and over half of your electric customers, are you planning to consider doing something like PSE has done where they started identifying their deepest need customers?

**Company:** Great suggestion, one way we are doing that is through LIRAP now with the lowest-income customer getting the greatest discount. We can look at how we could do that with other programs we have internally and what might be possible.

A draft PPP will be sent April 1 with a two-week comment period and will be filed with your edits by May 1, 2025

## Public Participation Plan Open for Comment

- Public Participation Plan draft available: April 1, 2025
- Comment deadline: April 15, 2025
- Email: CETA@avistacorp.com
- File with Washington UTC: May 1, 2025



## Wrap Up

### 2026-2029 CEIP Proposed Timeline

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Review of 2022-2025 CEIP</li> </ul>	January 14
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 2026-2029 Targets &amp; Specific Actions</li> </ul>	February 18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 2025-2027 Public Participation Plan   Named Communities</li> </ul>	March 18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Customer Benefit Indicators   Named Community Investment Fund</li> </ul>	April 22
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Incremental Costs &amp; Alternative Compliance Analysis</li> </ul>	May 20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ TBD</li> </ul>	June 17
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ TBD</li> </ul>	July 15
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Draft 2025 CEIP available for public comment</li> </ul>	August 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Compile public comments &amp; finalize</li> </ul>	September 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ File 2026-2029 CEIP</li> </ul>	October 1, 2025

Reminder of next meeting on April 22, 2025.

**Member (EAG):** Looking at the stats provided around who filled out the survey, the demographics and thinking about what you spoke about with the named communities. 58% of the population is affected and fits into that category and I wonder if there is a lack of access to fill out the survey from those in named communities. It seems like you are only getting responses from one segment of the community. You should look at a strategy to reach more named community populations.

**Company:** We want to increase the response rate, and we want to receive responses from more demographics than we are today.

**Company:** Agreed, we are examining how we pilot "ambassadors" in our named communities which may help with that.