

# **Distribution Planning Advisory Group**

Attachment K Study Development Meeting

DPAG 1 – March 2025

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## **Agenda & Meeting Etiquette**

#### Agenda

- Introductions and Logistics
- Study Development Meeting (Attachment K)
- Transmission Planning Assumptions & Criteria
- Distribution Planning Assumptions & Criteria
- Future Meeting Topics
- Questions & Discussions

#### **Meeting Etiquette**

- Meetings will be recorded & posted
- Mute speakers & cameras optional
- Questions in the chat or use the "raise hand" feature
- Respect diverse opinions







#### **DPAG/Attachment K**

#### DPAG

- Provide transparency to planning process
- Inform long-term plan

#### System Assessment

- Identify performance issues
- Propose mitigation alternatives

#### **Attachment K**

- Transmission planning process
- FERC required process



# **Study Development**

Avista's Open Access Transmission Tariff – Attachment K

April Spacek | System Planning Engineer



# **Study Development**





#### **Transmission Planning Process – Attachment K**

- Local Planning – Avista - Part 3
- Regional Planning – NorthernGrid – Part 4
- Interconnection
   Wide Planning –
   WECC Part 5

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 1
			Long-Term Tra	nsmission Plan		Long-Term
Interconne Pl	ction Wide an	Interconnection Wide Plan		Interconne Pla	Interconnec Pla	
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Local Plan	Local	Plan	Loca	l Plan	Loca	l Plan
2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032



## **Local Transmission Plan Cycle**



#### System Planning Assessment Timeline



# **Avista's Planning Cycle**







# Long Term Regional Planning (FERC 1920)





### **Enhanced Reliability Upgrades**

Transmission customers can request upgrades not identified through technical studies.



Avista's 230 kV (left) and BPA's 230 kV line across the Rathdrum Prairie, ID



# **Transmission Planning**

Assumptions, Criteria and Analyses

**Cole Youngers** | Sr. System Planning Engineer



## **Initial Assumptions**





# **Study Scenarios**

Scenario	Description (likelihood or "return time")	1 Year (2026)	5 Year (2030)	10 Year (2035)	TPL
Heavy Summer	Loads 1 in 10*, Generation per Generation Dispatch**	х	х	х	R2.1.1. R2.2.1. R2.4.1. and R2.5
Light Summer	Loads 1 in 2*, Generation per Generation Dispatch**	х			R2.1.3
Heavy Winter	Loads 1 in 10*, Generation per Generation Dispatch**		х		R2.1.3, R2.4.3
Light Spring	Loads 1 in 2*, Generation per Generation Dispatch**		х		R2.1.2 and R2.4.2
High E-W Transfer	Sensitivity to light load, high generation, and high system transfers		Х		R2.1.3 and R2.4.3 sensitivity for R2.1.2 and R2.4.2



#### **Inputs to the Combined Load Forecast**





#### **Point-to-Point Customer Data**

#### Impacts from Point-to-Point Service

- Transmission impacts
- Generation impacts

#### Include Firm Transmission Service for Existing Customers

Evaluate transmission forecasts to serve existing customers on the planning horizon

#### Long-Term TSRs Addressed Independently from the System Assessment



#### Winter BA Load Forecast



Year



### **Summer BA Load Forecast**





### **Resource Assumptions**

#### Existing Resources

 Dispatched seasonally based on historical trends

#### Future Resources

- Signed interconnection agreements in study horizon
- Dispatched seasonally
- Includes identified transmission upgrades



Avista's Nine Mile Dam, Spokane, WA



#### **Generation Interconnections**

		MW				
Queue #	COD	Output	Туре	County	State	POI
59	9/1/2027(Susp)	60	Solar/Storage	Adams	WA	Roxboro 115kV Station
60	9/1/2025(Susp)	150	Solar/Storage	Asotin	WA	Dry Creek 230kV Station
97	12/31/2025(Susp)	100	Solar/Storage	Nez Pierce	ID	Lolo 230kV Station
TCS-03	9/1/2025 (Susp)	80	Solar/Storage	Adams	WA	Warden 115kV Station
TCS-14	9/1/2026	375	Wind/Storage	Garfield	WA	Dry Creek 230kV Station
CS23-06	9/26/2028	220.5	Wind	Whitman	WA	AVAHub23-05 230kV
CS23-12	7/9/2029	199	Storage	Franklin	WA	AVAHub23-04 230kV
CS23-13	6/30/2028	40	Solar	Lincoln	WA	Davenport 115kV
						Airway Heights – Silver
CS23-14	6/30/2028	40	Solar	Spokane	WA	Lake 115kV

Planning for more than 1,264 MWs of non-Avista owned generation by 2028



### **Planned Transmission Upgrades**

#### Planned Projects

- Approved and budgeted
- Scheduled in service within study horizon

					Inclu	ded in l	Model
ERT #	Project Name	Driver	Scope	Status	1- year	5- year	10- year
131	Garden Springs Station	Performance & Capacity	Construct <u>new</u> 115kV portion of Garden Springs Station at the existing Garden Springs switching location. New station will terminate Airway Heights – Sunset and Sunset – Westside 115kV transmission lines including the South Fairchild Tap. Construct new 230kV portion of Garden Springs Station including two 250MVA nominal 230/115kV transformers. Construct new 230kV transmission line from Garden Springs to a new switching station, Bluebird, at an interconnection point on the BPA Bell – Coulee #5 230kV transmission line.	Construction		X	x
134	Craig Road Interconnection	Customer Requested	Customer will construct <u>new</u> distribution station. Avista will provide <u>new</u> radial 115kV transmission line from Airway Heights Station as part of the Melville Station project.	Budgeted		х	х
			Project updates the existing Boulder-Ivin #1				

# **Planning Criteria**

#### Applicable Facility Ratings Shall Not be Exceeded

- NERC (North American Electric Reliability Corporation) TPL-001-5
  - Thermal and voltage ratings apply
  - Planning does not use emergency ratings
- WECC Voltage & Frequency Dip Criteria
  - WECC (Western Electricity Coordinating Council) TPL-001-WECC-CRT-4
- TP-SPP-01 Transmission System Performance



# **Planning Criteria**

P0 - No ContingencyNoneN/A $< 80\%$ Continuous Rating <sup>6</sup> $0.95 < Avista 115kV < 1.052^7$ $1.01 < Avista 230kV < 1.052^8$ $0.99 < 500kV < 1.11^9$ $0.95 < All Other < 1.05^{10}$ N/A	
Loss of one of the following:	
P1 - Single 0.95 < Avista 115kV < 1.052 0.95 < Avista 230kV < 1.052 <sup>12</sup> No BES generator shall lose	
Contingency Normal System 2. Transmission Circuit 3Φ 0.99 < 500kV < 1.11 Same requirements as P2-P7 <sup>15</sup>	
3. Transformer 0.95 < All Other < 1.05	
4. Shuht Device stations) <sup>13</sup>	-
1. Opening of a line section w/o a fault N/A	
2. Bus Section Fault SLG	
P2 - Single Contingency 3. Internal Breaker Fault (non-Bus-tie Breaker) SLG Positive damping within 30 seconds	
4. Internal Breaker Fault (Bus-tie Breaker) SLG	
Loss of one of the following: Rating <sup>11</sup>	Γ
P3 - Multiple Loss of generator unit 1. Generator	
Contingency (no System 2. Transmission Circuit 30 0.95 < Avista 115KV < 1.052 0.95 < Avista 230kV < 1.052	
aujustnents) 3. Transformer 0.99 < 500kV < 1.11	iny.
4. Shuft Device 0.95 < All Other < 1.05	- H
P4 - Multiple P4 - Multiple following:	
(Fault plus Normal System 1. Generator SLG	
stuck breaker)	
J. Transformer	
5. Bus Section	



### **Transmission System Analyses**

- Steady State Contingency Analysis
- Spare Equipment Analysis
- Short Circuit Analysis
- Stability Contingency Analysis
- Voltage Stability Analysis



# **Distribution Planning**

Assumptions, Modeling, Criteria, Analyses

Erik Lee | Principal Engineer System Planning



#### **Assessment Overview**





# **System Conditions / Assumptions**

- Facility Model Set to Normal/As-Built Switching State
- Load Forecast: 10 years Using 3 Years Historical Data
- Load Model: 1 in 10 Year Min/Max Temperature Frequency of Occurrence (FO) by Subregion
  - Heavy Summer: Peak Annual Hourly Temperature
  - Heavy Winter: Minimum Annual Hourly Temperature
  - Temperature Curves Adjusted to Regional FO Values (for Summer & Winter)
  - 576 Load Models Driven by Temperature Curves
- Approved Projects are Modeled at Expected Energization Year
  - 10 Year Model

Location	Heavy Summer 1 in 10	Heavy Winter 1 in 10	Data Start
Colville	104F	-18F	2001
Spokane	104F (106F)	-17F (-5F)	1972
Sandpoint	102F	-9F	2004
Pullman/Moscow	101F (103F)	-18F (-14F)	1972
Othello	108F (110F)	-15F (-13F)	1950
Lewiston	108F (110F)	-10F (-2F)	1950
Silver Valley	102F	-14F (-13F)	1950

Temperature value in parentheses is derived using the past 25 years of temperature data



#### **Weather Frequency of Occurrence**

- Used NOAA Regional Data
- Identify Peak & Min Temps by Year
- Calculate Number of Years Above/Below Given Temp Value (-50F to 130F) & Express as Percentage of Years Over the Dataset





#### Weather Adjusted Seasonal Peaks & 576 Models

- Use Frequency of Occurrence Peak/Min Adjusted Annual Regional Weather Curves
- Month/Hour/Day Type Linear Regression Models (576)
  - 12 Month x 24 Hours x2 (Weekday/Weekend)



4-5PM July Actuals, Regression, & +/- 1 Standard Deviation Lines



X Axis: Hour of Day (1-24)

Purple Dots: Actual Measurements | Red Bars: Modeled Hourly Loads Top Bars: Facility Limit Rating



# **Distribution Load Forecast**

- Feeder & Substation Transformer Level
- Typically Use 3 Years of Historical Hourly Average Load Data
- Anomalies Filtered Out (Top Figure)
- Multiple Linear Regression Approach (Bottom Figure)
  - Time Elements (Year, Hour of Day, Day of Week, Month, etc.)
  - Weather as Heating Degree Days & Cooling Degree Days
  - Light-Hours
- Permanent Load Transfers Require Feeder/Station/Region Data Aggregation
  - Proportion Back To Individual Elements





Calendar Time (3 years)



# **Full Model Development**

- Synergi Electric
  - Copy of Weekly Model Build

#### Generation

- Small Generation (Rooftop PV, Wind) Included in Model
- Large Distribution-Connected Generators
- Potential Generation projects in Avista's Interconnection Queue
- Known Developments (Block Load Additions)
- IO Year Forecasted Loads
  - Using Summer & Winter 1 in 10 Peaks
- Budgeted & In-Construction Projects
  - Manually Edited In



Barker Rd 115kV / 13kV Substation (Synergi Electric)



# **Distribution Planning**

#### **Performance Criteria**

Category <sup>2</sup>	Outage <sup>3</sup>	Thermal Performance	Voltage Performance <sup>4</sup>	Regulator Performance	Current Imbalance	Voltage Imbalanc e	Customers Experiencing Interruption <sup>5</sup>	Customers Experiencing Sustained Outage Longer than 2 Hours <sup>6</sup>	Notes
D0 - No Contingency	None	< 80% Continuous <sup>7</sup>	118V < Volt < 127V	-12 < tap < +12	Line loading > 90%: 5% Line loading > 80%: 10% Line loading >70%: 15% Line loading < 70%: 20%	3%	N/A	N/A	<ul> <li>Seasonal load transfers can be used</li> </ul>
	Loss of one of the following:								<ul> <li>Field switching can be used to restore</li> </ul>
D1 - Feeder	1. Feeder Lockout	< 95%	114V <sup>8</sup> < Volt < 127V	Line loading > 90%: -15 < tap < +15 Line loading < 90%: NA	Line loading > 90%: 10%	5%	3000 or 10MVA	Suburban: 500 Rural: 3000	customers     Generator     curtailment may be
	2. Generator Outage/Off	Continuous	< 4V Deviation <sup>®</sup>			0	0	required for restoration	
	3. Automatic Transfer Switch Operation						N/A	N/A	
D2 – Multiple Contingency (Common Structure <sup>10</sup> )	Loss of one of the following: 1. Loss of two feeders on common structure 2. Loss of three feeders on common structure	< 95% Continuous	114V< Volt < 127V		None	5%	4000	500	
D3 -	Loss of one of the following:								<ul> <li>Feeder breaker and/or regulator</li> </ul>
Substation	1. Feeder Regulator	< 95%	114V ~ Volt ~ 127V	15 < tap < +15	None	5%	3000	0	bypass is acceptable
Contingency	2. Feeder Breaker	Continuous	11445 400 5 127 4	-10 - 10 - 10	None	070	3000	0	
	5. Substation Transformer						6000	Suburban: 0 Rural: 1500	



### **Distribution System Analyses**



#### Capacity (Multiyear Load Flow)

Feeder | Substation Transformer | 10 Year Planning Horizon

#### **Phase Current Imbalance**

Where we have data

#### Auto-Transfer Analysis

Ensure ATS failover capacity capability

#### **Contingency Analysis** Development in 2025

evelopment in 2025

#### **Short-Circuit Analysis** Re-evaluate in 2025



### **Thermal Performance Explanation**

#### **Thermal Performance**

- Amps (Current) = Heat
- Heat = Degradation
- Heat = Sagging
- Heat = Material Failure
- Heat = Insulation Failure



X Axis: Time Aveva (OSISoft) PI Vision Dashboard



### **Current Avista Projects**

Project Name	Driver	Status
Carlin Bay Substation	Performance & Capacity	Construction
Metro Station Rebuild	Asset Condition	Construction
Valley Station Rebuild	Performance & Capacity	Construction
Prairie Station Rebuild	Performance & Capacity	Construction
Bronx Station Rebuild	Performance & Capacity	Budgeted
Post Falls Station Rebuild	Customer Requested	Budgeted
Melville Station	Performance & Capacity	Budgeted
Bunker Hill Customer Capacity	Customer Requested	Budgeted
Pleasant View Capacity Mitigation	Performance & Capacity	Budgeted
Northeast Capacity Mitigation	Performance & Capacity	Budgeted
Glenrose Capacity Mitigation	Performance & Capacity	Budgeted
Orin Capacity Mitigation	Performance & Capacity	Budgeted
Moscow Capacity Mitigation	Performance & Capacity	Proposed
Lewiston Capacity Mitigation	Performance & Capacity	Proposed



# **Next Steps**

- Develop an approach to using AEG's 2025 DER Potential Study results in the 2025 System Assessment
- Finalize Study Plan
- Perform analyses and identify system needs
- Topic suggestions email: DistributionPlanning@avistacorp.com



Avista's O'Gara 115kV / 13kV Substation, South of Harrison, ID





