

MEMORANDUM

To: SPP Qualified RFP Participants
From: SPP Regulatory Processes Department
Date: November 15, 2019
Re: Competitive Upgrades Status

On October 29, 2019, the SPP Board of Directors approved the 2019 Integrated Transmission Planning (“ITP”) Assessment. In the Competitive Upgrade Transmission Project Report,¹ SPP identified two competitive upgrades from the 2019 ITP Assessment that will require the use of the Transmission Owner Selection Process (“TOSP”) to determine the Designated Transmission Owner (“DTO”) for each upgrade: Sooner-Wekiwa 345kV and Wolf Creek-Blackberry 345kV.

Sooner-Wekiwa

The 2019 ITP Assessment determined need date for the Sooner-Wekiwa upgrade is January 1, 2026. SPP is currently finalizing the Request for Proposal (“RFP”) for Sooner-Wekiwa upgrade and anticipates issuing the RFP no later than December 6, 2019.

Wolf Creek-Blackberry

The 2019 ITP Assessment determined need date for the Wolf Creek-Blackberry upgrade is January 1, 2026. Prior to issuing the RFP, SPP must first finalize an agreement with Associate Electric Cooperative Incorporated (“AECI”) and file that agreement with FERC. Since AECI is not a Transmission Owner under the SPP Tariff, an agreement with AECI is necessary to outline project specifics and define cost allocation for the work to be performed by AECI. The agreement must be filed at FERC to allow SPP to allocate funds to AECI for the work to be performed by AECI. Once these steps are finalized, SPP expects to issue the RFP.

Please submit any questions through [RMS](#) under the ‘Transmission Owner Selection Process’ quick pick, ‘General Inquiry’ subtype 1.

¹ In compliance with Attachment Y Section III of the SPP Tariff, the 2019 Competitive Upgrade Transmission Project Report was posted to spp.org under [Order 1000 Documents](#).