

**SOUTHWEST POWER POOL
WESTERN RELIABILITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE JOINT MEETING**

Wednesday, October 9, 2024
Tri-State, Westminster, CO

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

MOTIONS

1. Sam Rugel (TEP) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Vice Chair Jon Aust (WAPA); with no further discussion or opposition, the agenda was approved.
2. Michael Houglum (TSGT) motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Brett Gruesner (PSCo); with no further discussion or opposition, the minutes were approved.
3. Brett Gruesner (PSCo) motioned to make no changes to the WREC Charter, seconded by Vice Chair Jon Aust (WAPA); with no further discussion or opposition, the Charter will remain as is.
4. Vice Chair Jon Aust (WAPA) was unanimously elected as Chair of the WREC for 2025-2026.
5. Sam Rugel (TEP) was unanimously elected as Vice Chair of the WREC for 2025-2026.
6. Michael Houglum (TSGT) motioned to affirm the WRWG election of Derek Book (PRPA) as Chair and Robert Romero (TSGT) Vice Chair of WRWG for 2025-2026, seconded by Jon Aust (WAPA), was unanimously approved.
7. Linda Jacobson-Quinn's (FEUS) motioned to end the open session and move to executive session, seconded by Brett Gruesner (PSCo); with no further discussion or opposition, the open meeting was adjourned at 9:30am MDT.

ACTION ITEMS

1. WREC Agenda Items in January are to Include:
 - a. RC Expansion, Governance, RC vs RTO participants, etc.
 - b. Real-Time Dispatchable Transactions (RTDT) Update
2. Alex Watkins (SPP) to review the feasibility of a group study of derate impacts being performed.

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MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 – ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Chair Denton McGregor called the meeting to order at 8:03 am MDT. WREC members in attendance or represented by proxy:

WREC

Denton McGregor (BHE, WREC Chair)
Jonathan Aust (WAPA, WREC Vice Chair)
Abel Bustillos (EPE) – via WebEx
Brett Gruesner (PSCo)
CJ Ingersoll (Gridforce) - not present
Hank Adair (FEUS) – Proxy Linda Jacobson-Quinn
Michael Houglum (Tri-State)
Pam Feuerstein (CORE) – Proxy Andrew Minter
Sam Rugel (TEP)
Shane Sanders (AEPCO) – Proxy Robert Bray via WebEx
Wade Kiess (PRPA) via WebEx
Warren Rust (CSU) via WebEx

Hamilton Bitely (SPP) took attendance and determined a quorum was present.

Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda

Chairman McGregor reviewed the meeting agenda with the committee.

Motion: Sam Rugel (TEP) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Vice Chair Jon Aust (WAPA); with no further discussion or opposition, the agenda was approved.

Approval of WREC July 10, 2024, Minutes

Motion: Michael Houglum (TSGT) motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Brett Gruesner (PSCo); with no further discussion or opposition, the minutes were approved.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – REVIEW OF PAST ACTION ITEMS

Previous Action Item: WREC members to provide charter redlines to Hamilton Bitely (SPP) by September 20th for approval at the October 9th meeting.

The WREC Charter was formally reviewed by the committee and determined no changes were necessary at this time. Discussion noted that WECC committees require 33% for quorum, vs. the 50% required by SPP. Any changes to membership limits and/or quorum requirements would likely make the most sense in the WRWG Charter. Whether RTO entities be on both ORWG and WRWG post RTO Expansion was questioned. Black Hills would prefer WRWG stand as is.

Motion: Brett Gruesner (PSCo) motioned to make no changes to the WREC Charter, seconded by Vice Chair Jon Aust (WAPA); with no further discussion or opposition, the Charter will remain as is.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – WRWG UPDATE

Alex Watkins (SPP) updated the committee on yesterday's WRWG meeting topics, including:

- a) FERC 881 by William Holden
- b) RTO Expansion
- c) Black Hills BA
- d) New Chair and Vice Chair elected. WREC affirmation needed.
- e) Joint NAESB SAR with CAISO for ECC Expansion

AGENDA ITEM 4 - RTO WESTERN EXPANSION UPDATE

Jerry Wild (SPP) updated the group on SPP's RTO Expansion activities and anticipated timelines. A PPT with the timeline is posted with the meeting materials. Go-Live for RTOE is planned for April 1, 2026. Additional questions, covering 6 topics, were received from FERC last week regarding the June 4, 2024 tariff filing. A response should be filed by SPP within 2 weeks.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – WESTERN MARKETS UPDATE (WEIS/MARKETS+)

Brad Johnston (SPP) informed the committee that WMWG and WMEC met in person in September. WMEC voted to continue developing Real-Time Dispatchable Transactions (RTDT).

Action Item: A Real-Time Dispatchable Transactions (RTDT) Update is to be on the next WREC agenda.

MPEC is meeting in November. Markets+ Protocols are hoped to be approved by the end of the year. SPP filed the Markets+ tariff with FERC, March 29, 2024; to which a deficiency letter was received July 31, 2024. September 20, 2024, SPP filed a response to the deficiency letter. A subsequent response has been requested from FERC by November 20, 2024. Tentative Go-Live for Markets+ is May 1, 2027.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – WREC CHARTER REVIEW

Chair Denton McGregor reviewed the charter with the WREC earlier in the meeting. No changes were needed.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – CHAIR/VICE CHAIR ELECTION

Motion: Vice Chair Jon Aust (WAPA) nominated himself for Chair, seconded by Michael Houglum (TSGT), Aust was unanimously elected as Chair of the WREC for 2025-2026.

Motion: Sam Rugel (TEP) nominated himself for Vice Chair, seconded by Brett Gruesner (PSCo), Rugel was unanimously elected as Vice Chair of the WREC for 2025-2026.

Motion: Michael Houglum (TSGT) motioned to affirm the WRWG election of Derek Book (PRPA) as Chair and Robert Romero (TSGT) Vice Chair of WRWG for 2025-2026, seconded by Jon Aust (WAPA), was unanimously approved.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – GENERAL Q&A/OPEN FORUM

WAPA, excluding Upper Great Plains, plans to file an extension until 2027 to comply with FERC Order 881. WAPA will be reaching out to impacted entities directly to work out details. FERC Order 881 statuses and potential reliability concerns discussed. A lot of work is still to be done. Most WREC entities do not have immediate plans to file an extension but some may eventually file an extension.

A closed session of WREC members to discuss methodologies was suggested, as well as, planning regions reviewing derate impacts instead of SPP. SPP has requested to start receiving data by February 2025.

Action Item: Alex Watkins (SPP) to review the feasibility of a group study of derate impacts being performed.

Sam Rugel (TEP) shared a link to Western Interstate Energy Board (WIEB) Markets+ Issue Alerts:

[Markets+ Phase One Parties Issue Alerts - Western Interstate Energy Board \(westernenergyboard.org\)](https://westernenergyboard.org)

Entities considering transitioning to SPP RC services should direct any questions to SPP’s Alex Watkins or Derek Hawkins.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

Action Item: WREC Agenda Items in January are to Include:

- RC Expansion, Governance, RC vs RTO participants, etc.
 - Will RTO members in West be on both ORWG and WRWG?
- RTDT Update

Action Item: Alex Watkins (SPP) to review the feasibility of a group study of derates being performed.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – FUTURE MEETINGS

Tentative future meeting dates were reviewed. No scheduling conflicts were noted.

<u>Tentative Date(s)</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Host</u>
January 15, 2025	8am-10am MST	WebEx
April 8-9, 2025 WRWG Day 1 WREC Day 2	1pm-Noon MDT	In-Person @ SPP Denver
July 9, 2025	8am-10am MDT	WebEx
October 7-8, 2025 WRWG Day 1 WREC Day 2	1pm-Noon MDT	In-Person @ PRPA or SPP Denver

AGENDA ITEM 11 - ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Linda Jacobson-Quinn's (FEUS) motioned to end the open session and move to executive session, seconded by Brett Gruesner (PSCO); with no further discussion or opposition, the open meeting was adjourned at 9:30am MDT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hamilton Bitely (SPP), WREC Staff Secretary Assistant

Additional Attendees

Bruce Doll (OPPD)
Chris Bultsma (WAPA)
Derek Book (PRPA)
Jim Krajecki (CES)
Eric Baran (WIRAB)
Farrokh Rahimi (OATI)
John Roemen (WAPA)
Paul Antony (Gabel)
Robert Bray (AEPCO)
Steve Ashbaker (WECC)
Steve Szablya (PSCO)
Steven Owen (PSCO)

SPP Staff

Hamilton Bitely (SPP, WREC Staff Secretary Assistant)
Scott Aclin (SPP)
Alex Watkins (SPP)
Brad Johnston (SPP)
Jerry Wild (SPP)
Chris Duensing (SPP)
Will Tootle (SPP)