

Regional Dialogue Principals Management Group Kick-Off Meeting September 19, 2005



Introduction

- There are no bigger issues facing the future of power supply in the Region than those that have been discussed in the Regional Dialogue over the past three years.
- We have released a Concept Paper that lays out ways to address each of these issues.
- The Concept Paper serves as a starting point for discussion. The paper is a "living document" that will help track the progress of this process.
- This process is designed to create an opportunity to reach as much alignment as possible between BPA, its customers, and all other interested parties on the content of the formal Regional Dialogue policy proposal.



Regional Dialogue Goals

- Promote development of regional electricity infrastructure by encouraging non-Federal development;
- Limit BPA costs, rates and risk;
- Enhance the probability of payments to the U.S. Treasury;
- Align regional interests and reduce regional conflicts;
- Promote conservation and renewable resource development;
- Do not impair BPA's mission accomplishment in key areas such as fish and wildlife mitigation; and
- No new legislation.



Desired Outcomes

- Increased understanding of the difficult policy choices BPA and the region face, leading to a willingness by all stakeholders to compromise to achieve the best outcomes.
- An environment where all voices are represented and heard.
- As much alignment as possible on issues identified in the Concept Paper from the workshop process that results in increased support for BPA's policy proposal that will be released in early 2006.
- Increased stakeholder confidence in BPA decision-making processes that ensure adequate, efficient, and reliable power service.



Proposed Structure

- A principals management group, which represents BPA stakeholders meeting on an monthly basis.
- As needed, each member of the group will appoint a technical representative to work with BPA staff to discuss detailed issues surrounding the larger policy issues.
- The technical group and any subcommittees will prepare alternatives and recommendations for the principals management group's consideration.



Proposed Structure

Principals Management Group Recommendations/Supporting Direction/Guidance Information Representatives to Principals Management Group Appointed representatives and other interested parties Potential Potential Potential Slice Subgroup, Subgroup, Subgroup Subgroups may be formed on an as needed basis



Principal Management Group Roles

- Work to understand the difficult policy choices BPA and the region face, leading to a willingness to compromise to achieve the best outcomes.
- Work towards alignment on issues outlined in the concept paper, informed by individual knowledge and responsibilities.
- Be champions of the recommendations that result from the principles management group discussions.
- Provide guidance to and review technical staff recommendations.



Principal Management Group Expectations

- Make a commitment to attend the principal group meetings (If unable to attend a meeting, send a consistent substitute).
- Take ownership of this process and the outcomes.
- Be prepared to present your view and listen to other perspectives.
- Prepare to contribute to meetings discussions and decisions.



Goals for Today

• Identify issues that need to be addressed.

- Prioritize issue areas.
- Set an achievable schedule within this 90 day process for achieving issue resolution.



Principals Management Group Proposed Schedule

- Tuesday, October 4, 2005
- Tuesday, November 1, 2005
- Tuesday, December 6, 2005

Note: Additional meetings may be scheduled on an as needed basis. Technical Workshops will be scheduled as needed.