NWPP-MC EIM/SCED MARKET PROJECT "EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR DECISION MAKERS"

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COST/BENEFIT ANALYSYS

Costs are relatively "knowable"

- RFP for EIM/SCED Market Operator
- Participant costs

Benefits are less certain

- Modeling limitations (hydro)
- Tension between voluntary participation, maintaining current roles, and diversity benefits



RISKS

Potential regulatory creep

 Do "assurances" from FERC adequately protect regional/local control?

Potential scope creep

 Does governance structure adequately protect against evolution into a day-ahead market, capacity market, RTO, etc?



EFFECTS ON BPA POWER AND TRANSMISSION CUSTOMERS

How are the costs/benefits/risks flowed through to LSEs, GOPs, etc?

BPA customer outreach/ROD process

What product, contract or operational changes may be required of BPA customers?



ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS

What happens absent broad participation in an NWPP-MC EIM/SCED market?

- Status quo (?)
- Enhanced status quo
- Partial participation in NWPP-MC EIM/SCED
- Expansion of Cal ISO

