

**Balancing Authority of Northern California**

# Regular Meeting of the Commissioners of BANC

**2:00 P.M.**

**Wednesday, November 19, 2025**

**2377 Gold Meadow Way**

**1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room**

**Gold River, CA 95670**

# Balancing Authority of Northern California

## NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC) will be held on **November 19, 2025** at **2:00 p.m.** at **2377 Gold Meadow Way, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room, Gold River, CA 95670.**

The following information is being provided as the forum by which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment:

**Phone:** 1-301-715-8592 or 1-305-224-1968

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### Public Meeting Locations:

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**City of Shasta Lake**

3570 Iron Court  
Shasta Lake, CA 96019

**Redding Electric Utility**

3611 Avtech Parkway  
Redding, CA 96002

## AGENDA

- 1 Call to Order and Verification of Quorum.**
- 2 Matters subsequent to posting the Agenda.**
- 3 Public Comment** – any member of the public may address the Commissioners concerning any matter on the agenda.
- 4 Consent Agenda.**
  - A. Minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting held on October 22, 2025.
  - B. BANC Operator Report (October).
  - C. Compliance Officer Report (November).
  - D. PC Committee Chair Report (November).
  - E. General Manager's Report and Strategic Initiatives Update.
- 5 Regular Agenda Items – Discussion and Possible Action.**
  - A. General Manager Updates.
    - i. Market Updates – EIM, EDAM, Pathways, Markets+, WPP.
    - ii. Strategic Plan Updates.
  - B. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-11-01 *Acknowledgement and Acceptance of BANC Planning Coordinator Area 2025 Transmission Planning Assessment.*
  - C. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-11-02 *Authorization of Amendment to Extend Utilicast Contract for Services Related to EDAM Implementation Support.*
  - D. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-11-03 *Resolution Setting the Regular Meeting Dates for 2026.*
  - E. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-11-04 *Approval of BANC Internal Compliance Program Charter – 2025 Updates.*
  - F. Member Updates.
- 6 Adjournment.**

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## **Balancing Authority of Northern California**

# **Consent Agenda Items**

- A. Minutes of the October 22, 2025 BANC Regular Meeting.**
- B. BANC Operator Reports (October).**
- C. Compliance Officer Reports (November).**
- D. PC Committee Chair Report (November).**
- E. General Manager's Report and Strategic Initiatives Update.**

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF  
THE BALANCING AUTHORITY OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (BANC)

October 22, 2025

On this date, a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California was held at 2377 Gold Meadow Way, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room, Gold River, CA 95670.

Representatives:

Member Agency	Commissioner
Modesto Irrigation District (MID)	Brock Costalupes, Alternate
City of Redding	Joe Bowers, Alternate (remote)
City of Roseville	Shawn Matchim, BANC Chair
Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD)	Paul Lau
City of Shasta Lake	James Takehara
Trinity Public Utilities District (TPUD)	Absent

Other Participants:

Jim Shetler	General Manager
Tony Braun	BANC General Counsel
Kris Kirkegaard	BANC General Counsel Support
Michelle Williams	Western Area Power Administration (remote)
Cory Danson	TANC

1. Call to Order and Verification of Quorum: Mr. Shetler confirmed the quorum; attendance is noted above. Chair Matchim called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.
2. Matters Subsequent to Posting the Agenda: None.
3. Public Comment (any matter on the agenda): None.
4. Consent Agenda: Chair Matchim invited comments from the Commission and a motion on the Consent Agenda; no comments.

<b>ACTION:</b> M/S (Lau/Takehara) to <b>approve the Consent Agenda</b> . Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present (Absent: Commissioner Hauser).
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5. Regular Agenda Items.

A. General Manager Updates:

i. Market Updates – EIM, EDAM, Pathways, Markets+, WPP.

Mr. Shetler noted that EIM operations are going well; support from the CAISO has been good related to CIDI tickets, and there are currently no major settlement issues. Work is ongoing to draft updates to BANC's Business Practices to address EDAM.



Mr. Shetler overviewed updates to the West-wide Governance Pathways Initiative and the recently passed California legislation. An RFP for a search firm to assist with board selection for the new Regional Organization is in process, and other staff/hiring decisions are being contemplated for 2026. The goal is to have the tariff and tariff funding in place by January 2028. Prior approved federal grant funding is on hold, and other funding options are being explored. By January of 2026, a 501(c)(3) IRS filing and a corporation filing in Delaware are expected. Mr. Braun weighed in and questions from the Commission were addressed.

Regarding SPP Markets+, a 2027 go-live is anticipated, and seams issues are being discussed between this market and CAISO. With respect WRAP, participants must decide by October about whether to commit to a binding period in 2027-28. A request to delay the binding period was rejected.

Questions from the Commission were addressed, and no action requested or taken.

B. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-10-02 Authorization to Execute BANC SMUD Master Services Agreement.

Mr. Shetler overviewed the concept of the Master Services Agreement (MSA) developed by BANC and SMUD and noted that not all services provided by SMUD would be transitioned to the MSA at this time. The first task is likely the Integrated Resource Plan Summary that BANC is requesting from SMUD. Mr. Braun also noted that the approved GM delegations would not be overridden by this agreement; task orders exceeding delegated approval amounts will continue to be brought to the Commission for approval. Questions from the Commission were addressed. No public comment.

**ACTION:** M/S (Costalupes/Takehara) to **approve Resolution 25-10-01 Authorization to Execute BANC SMUD Master Services Agreement.** Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present. (Absent: Commissioner Hauser).

C. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-10-02 Approval of 2026 Annual Budget for BANC.

Mr. Shetler overviewed the 2026 budget, noting that he planned to update next year the budget estimate for long-term market operations to take into account the simultaneous operations of EIM and EDAM. He also addressed questions from the Commission, and there was no public comment.

**ACTION:** M/S (Lau/Matchim) to **approve Resolution 25-10-02 Approval of 2026 Annual Budget for BANC.** Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present. (Absent: Commissioner Hauser).

D. Discussion on 2025 BANC Strategic Planning Session – Next Steps.

Mr. Shetler reviewed updates to BANC routine and focused initiatives, requesting feedback from the Commission and addressing questions.

E. Member updates.

Mr. Shetler & Mr. Braun updated the Commission on a meeting held with a Saudi Arabian delegation from the United Nations regarding the integration of renewables. It was also noted that the November meeting would likely include approval of a 2026 calendar, and a December meeting is currently expected to be adjourned if no agenda items arise.

Commissioner Lau updated the Commission regarding SMUD's Department of Energy grants and mentioned some planned system upgrades. Commissioner Takehara shared

that TPUD had recently upgraded their CIS and Billing systems. Alternate Commissioner Bowers shared that REU is updating their strategic plan to run through 2030 and anticipating a rate proceeding in the spring. He also noted a potential solar/battery project planned for 2028 that anticipated building within their territory. Alternate Commissioner Costalupes noted that MID is currently working with WECC on their triennial audit. He also mentioned an increase in REU's power cost adjustment factor, and he asked whether other entities had been in contact with the CA Jobs First initiative. Finally, he shared that they were troubleshooting an issue with tagging a battery resource in CAISO. Michelle Williams noted that she expected WAPA to fill a few key open positions in the near future. Chair Matchim shared updates on Roseville's ongoing power plant maintenance and their planned debt issuance package.

The Commission moved to closed session at 3:14 p.m. and adjourned from closed session at 3:37 p.m. where no action was taken.

Minutes approved on November 19, 2025.

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C. Anthony Braun, Secretary



# BALANCING AUTHORITY OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

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**TO:** BANC Commission

**RE:** BANC Operator Report for October 2025

## Operations:

- BA Operations: Normal
- Significant BA Issues: None
- Declared BA Energy Emergency Alert Level (EEA): N/A
- RSG Activations
  - 1 Qualifying Event(s)
  - 0 MW Qualifying Event request
  - 0 MW average generation lost
  - 0 MW maximum generation lost
  - Generating unit(s) and date(s) affected: Shasta(SHA) Unit 3, 10/08/25  
*Unit tripped and locked out on startup, cause unknown at this time.*
  - All recoveries within 4 minutes
- USF
  - 10 of 31 days with instances of USF mitigation procedure utilized
  - 0 days on Path 66
  - No operational impact on BANC
- BAAL Operation:
  - Maximum duration of BAAL exceedance: 3 Minutes
  - Number of BAAL exceedance >10 minutes: None
  - BAAL violation (BAAL exceedance >30 minutes): None
- Frequency Response (FR) Performance – Quarterly Metric:
  - 2025 Frequency Response Obligation (FRO): -18.7 MW/0.1Hz

## Monthly Notes:

- None

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Modesto Irrigation District, City of Redding, City of Roseville, Trinity Public Utilities District,  
City of Shasta Lake, and Sacramento Municipal Utility District

# Compliance Officer Report

## BANC Commission Meeting

### November 2025

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The following summarizes routine issues for the Commission's information and consideration. Any major issues or action items will be identified on the Commission agenda for action.

#### **BA Compliance Issues:**

- No significant operational Balancing Authority compliance events occurred.
- All required BA compliance reports and operating data have been submitted to WECC.

#### **BANC MCRC:**

The next BANC MCRC meeting is scheduled to be held at 10:00 AM on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> via teleconference.

# PC Committee Chair Report

## BANC Commission Meeting

### November 2025

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The following summarizes Planning Coordinator-related activities and updates for the Commission's information and consideration. Any major issues or action items will be identified separately on a future Commission agenda for action.

SMUD staff continues to work toward demonstrating compliance with PC-related NERC reliability standards.

- FAC-002-4 – Facility Interconnection Studies – Staff finalized the BANC PC FAC-002-4 R6 Qualified Changes document, and it was posted on BANC PC site and distributed on August 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- FAC-014-3 – Establish and Communicate SOLs – Staff shared the FAC-014-3 draft report with BANC PC Participants for their formal review and comment by October 10<sup>th</sup>. Staff is addressing received comments and will finalize and distribute the report in November.
- MOD-031-3 – Demand and Energy Data – Staff is participating in WECC-led calls to begin initiating the new 2026 data request cycle for the upcoming year. WECC stated that the initial data request should be out by mid-December and will be similar to previous years' data requests. There will be a revised LTRA Narrative request as well.
- MOD-033-2 – Model Validation – Steady State validation is being performed.
- PRC-006-5 – Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding – Staff is participating in ongoing WECC-level PRC-006-5 studies to determine the effectiveness of the existing UFLS for the Southern Island in the SILTP and Underfrequency Load Shedding Working Group (UFLSWG) meetings and reviewing PRC-006-5 WECC Variance SAR document updates posted by WECC for review.
- PRC-012 – Remedial Action Schemes Assessment – Staff will perform a comprehensive “once in every 60 calendar months” Remedial Action Scheme (RAS) assessment to demonstrate that the BANC PC portion of the Bulk Electric System (BES) meets all performance and other requirements specified in the NERC Reliability Standard PRC-012-2, Requirement 4. Staff sent out the study plan for comments and review. The final study report will be completed by December 31<sup>st</sup>. A survey on the BANC members' RAS schemes was sent out early March.
- PRC-023-6 – The PRC-023-6 analysis did not identify any sub-200 kV circuits that PRC-023-6 applies to, and BANC PC Participants were communicated these results on May 30<sup>th</sup>. A draft report was created and reviewed by BANC PC Participants. The finalized report was shared with industry stakeholders on August 15<sup>th</sup>.

- PRC-026-2 – The annual 2025 BANC PC PRC-026-2 transient stability assessment did not identify any BES BANC PC elements that meet the requirement R1 Criteria 1-4 measures listed below after running the BANC PC Participant BES element contingencies based on NERC Standard TPL-001-5.1. This information was communicated to BANC PC Participants on 08/01/25. The draft report was shared with BANC PC Participants for their formal review and comment by October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Staff finalized and distributed the final report to BANC PC Participants on 10/24/25.
- TPL-001-5.1 - Transmission System Planning Performance – The BANC PC assessment is complete and is waiting on BANC commission approval prior to distribution of the report.
- TPL-007-4 Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events - Staff completed GMD voltage portion of the study to assess the GMD event's impact on the bulk system voltages and reactive power consumptions within the BANC PC participants' areas. The voltage portion of the study was not included in the WECC 2022 GMD study which only included the GIC portion of the study. The 2024 mock auditor recommended to perform the additional voltage study for compliance. The GMD voltage study report was sent out to BANC PC participants for review on 3/12/2025. The GMD Vulnerability Assessment Responsibilities for BANC PC Area report was updated on 11/16/2025. No new responsibilities were added for BANC PC members. The updates were strictly for improved readability and organization. We did, however, add more description to Section 3.5 - Requirement 5, to ensure the required GMD data is sent to the appropriate parties.

The table below shows the current status of all PC-related NERC standards:

	<b>PC Standard</b>	<b>Estimated % Complete</b>	<b>Notes</b>
1	FAC-002-4 Interconnection Studies	100%	Staff finalized the BANC PC FAC-002-4 R6 Qualified Changes document after BANC PC review, and it was posted on BANC website and distributed on 8/22/25. Staff also received responses from BANC PC Participants for a list of qualified changes for their system for years 2025-26 and any generation resource projects 20 MVA or more that are connected to 60 kV or above. There are no BES level projects requiring additional FAC-002 assessments.
2	FAC-014-3 Establish and Communicate SOLs	95%	Staff finalized the FAC-014-3 procedure that describes how the FAC-014-3 compliance actions process will be followed for BANC PC. Staff participated in Audit interviews for FAC-014-3 with WECC. Staff evaluated ratings and provided communication to impacted parties where BANC PC is using different ratings than RC West. Staff evaluated the 2025 Assessment results, and there were no SOLs developed to address any deficiencies found during the assessment. The upcoming draft report to document these findings is under internal review and will be shared with BANC PC Participants for their formal review and comment by 10/10/25. Staff is addressing received comments and will finalize and distribute the report by November.
3	IRO-017-1 Outage Coordination	0%	Awaiting the acceptance of the 2025 annual assessment to be sent to the Reliability Coordinator.
4	MOD-031-3 Demand and Energy Data	100%	The 2025 WECC Loads and Resources data and narrative response requests have been provided by BANC PC Participants and WASN for data entry and narrative response, and this information was uploaded to WECC on 2/14/25. Staff is participating in WECC-led calls to begin initiating the new 2026 data request cycle soon for the upcoming year. WECC stated that the initial data request should be out by mid-December and will be similar to previous years' data requests. There will be a revised LTRA Narrative request as well.
5	MOD-032-1 Data for Power System Modeling & Analysis	50%	Ongoing activity. Data requests to fulfill 13-month cycle for compliance.

	<b>PC Standard</b>	<b>Estimated % Complete</b>	<b>Notes</b>
6	MOD-033-2 System Model Validation	30%	Steady State validation is underway.
7	PRC-006-5 Underfrequency Load Shedding	95%	Staff continues to participate in WECC Under-Frequency Load Shed Working Group representing BANC PC as necessary. BANC PC Participants completed the 2025 ULFS data request for the annual Southern Island Load Tripping Plan (SILTP) coordinated by the Off-Nominal System Protection & Restoration (OFSPR). The OFSPR compiled the data and sent the SILTP as a coordinated annual plan to WECC for PRC-006-5 compliance in the annual report for 2025. Staff is participating in ongoing WECC-level PRC-006-5 studies to determine the effectiveness of the existing UFLS for the Southern Island. Staff also continues to participate in the SILTP and Underfrequency Load Shedding Working Group (UFLSWG) meetings to coordinate on studies, and staff is also reviewing the PRC-006-5 SAR Variance Update by WECC.
8	PRC-010-2 Undervoltage Load Shedding	100%	Staff completed performing the UVLS assessment studies. A draft version of the report was sent to Roseville for review and comments on 9/19/24, and the final Report was issued on 12/24/24.
9	PRC-012-2 Remedial Action Schemes	10%	Staff sent the study plan for review and comments. The final study report will be completed by 12/31/25. A survey on the BANC members' RAS schemes was sent out early March.
10	PRC-023-6 Transmission Relay Loadability	100%	The study plans were finalized and distributed to BANC PC Participants on 5/02/25, and staff has completed the powerflow assessment and drafted a report for BANC PC Participant review. The finalized report was shared with industry stakeholders on 08/15/25.



	PC Standard	Estimated % Complete	Notes
11	PRC-026-2 Relay Performance During Stable Power Swings	100%	The study plans were finalized and distributed to BANC PC Participants on 05/02/25. The annual 2025 BANC PC PRC-026-2 transient stability assessment did not identify any BES BANC PC elements that meet the requirement R1 Criteria 1-4 measures listed below after running the BANC PC Participant BES element contingencies based on NERC Standard TPL-001-5.1. This information was communicated to BANC PC Participants on 8/01/25 and was added to the upcoming 2025 BANC PC PRC-026-2 draft report. BANC PC Participants provided comments by 10/10/25. Staff finalized and distributed the final report to BANC PC Participants on 10/24/25.
12	TPL-001-5 Transmission System Planning Performance	99%	Draft assessment being prepared for review.
13	TPL-007-4 Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events	100%	Staff completed GMD voltage portion of the study to assess the GMD event impact on the bulk system voltages and reactive power consumptions within the BANC PC Participants' areas. The GMD voltage portion of the study was not included in the WECC 2022 GMD study, which only included GIC portion of the study. The GMD additional voltage study report was sent out to the BANC PC Participants on 3/12/25. The GMD Vulnerability Assessment Responsibilities for BANC PC Area report was updated on 11/16/25. No new responsibilities were added for BANC PC Participants. The updates were strictly for improved readability and organization. We did, however, add more description to Section 3.5 - Requirement 5, to ensure the required GMD data is sent to the appropriate parties.

# GM Report

## BANC Commission Meeting

### November 19, 2025

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I wanted to summarize routine issues for the Commission's information and consideration. Any major issues or action items will be identified separately on the Commission agenda for action.

#### **Outreach Efforts:**

Refer to GM outreach report provided under separate distribution. In addition, here are some other noteworthy items:

#### **LADWP/Seattle City Light/SRP**

Dialogue continues with these entities on an as needed basis regarding EIM participation and day-ahead market issues.

#### **Market Initiatives:**

##### **EIM Participation**

Staff continues monitoring EIM participation. CAISO quarterly benefit reports show that BANC is seeing benefits from EIM participation, with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2025 report showing gross benefits of \$37.20 million for BANC, with a total of \$894.39 millions of gross benefits for BANC since joining in 2019.

With respect to BANC EIM Phase 2 effort, BANC has been passing the EIM Balancing, Capacity, and Flex Ramp tests with a high success rate. Both the Technical Evaluation Subcommittee and the Settlements Subcommittee are meeting routinely and evaluating EIM operations, with reports out to the Markets Committee.

##### **EDAM Participation**

FERC issued the order approving the CAISO tariff amendment for congestion revenue allocation in EDAM on August 29, 2025. At the same time, FERC issued the orders approving the PacifiCorp and PGE OATT amendments for EDAM participation. FERC upheld the OATT requirements and rejected the arguments offered by Powerex and SPP. A request for rehearing has been filed at FERC, which FERC has denied.

A group of Western state regulators (AZ, CA, NM, OR, and WA) sent a letter to CREPC/WIRAB in July 2023 supporting the creation of an independent entity that would leverage the existing CAISO infrastructure for EIM and eventually EDAM to

develop a cost-effective West-wide market. This would include a range of voluntary market services from EIM to EDAM to an RTO. BANC has been an active participant in the Western Markets Governance Pathways Initiative Launch Committee. The Launch Committee issued a draft proposal on April 10, 2024, outlining a stepwise approach to independent oversight over CAISO markets. The Launch Committee approved the Step 1 proposal which recommended WEM Governing Body primary authority over market rules on 5/31/24. The CAISO Board of Governors and the WEM Governing Body approved the Step 1 proposal on 8/13/24. On 11/8/24 the combined boards approved the necessary documentation to allow the Step 1 primary authority model to move forward once the level of EDAM Implementation Agreement signatories reaches the designated threshold value and FERC approvals are received. The CAISO filed the tariff changes with FERC for the Step 1 proposal, which have been approved by FERC. The designated threshold for Step 1 was reached when Public Service of New Mexico signed an Implementation Agreement in July and primary authority by the WEM Governing Body has been implemented. The Launch Committee approved a final draft of the Pathways Step 2 proposal on November 22, which would move oversight of market design to the sole authority of a new independent Regional Organization board. The BANC General Manager is participating in the Formation Committee which is working with the CAISO to move forward with creation of the proposed Regional Organization for Step 2. The Formation Committee initiated its discussions in January 2025 and is currently finalizing its scope, schedule, and budget for this effort. California legislation that would allow the Step 2 proposal to be implemented was voted out of both the Assembly and the Senate and has been approved by the Governor.

The BANC EDAM Implementation project is moving forward. The EDAM Implementation Agreement has been executed with the CAISO and was approved by FERC in January. Based upon the CAISO decision to move EDAM go-live for the 2027 entities to the fall, BANC has revised the schedule and budget for the project and obtained Commission concurrence at its July meeting.

### **Other Market Developments**

In parallel with the EDAM process, SPP is moving forward with its “Markets+” effort to support interested utilities in the West with a range of market options from EIM to full RTO services. SPP filed the Markets+ tariff at FERC on March 29, 2024. FERC approved the SPP Markets+ tariff at its meeting on January 16, 2025. BPA has issued its draft decision letter supporting Markets+ participation. SPP has indicated that “go-live” for Markets+ is currently forecasted for 2027. SPP announced that it has secured sufficient funding commitments to move forward with the next phase of Markets+ development.

## **WAPA:**

### **Market Engagement**

WAPA-SNR continues to be an active participant in the EIM.

BANC is working with WAPA-SNR to facilitate their EDAM implementation efforts including assisting with OATT development.

## **WECC:**

### **WECC Board Meetings**

The last set of Board and committee meetings were held on September 17-18, 2025, in Salt Lake City, UT, which was the annual meeting. The next set of meetings will be December 9-10, 2025, in Salt Lake City, UT.

## **Western Power Pool (WPP):**

### **Western Resource Adequacy Program (WRAP)**

BANC continues to monitor development of the WRAP and hold periodic discussions with WPP regarding their development efforts. The WRAP participants recently formally voted to extend the binding date to 2027. Based upon this request, WPP filed an amended WRAP tariff at FERC in December 2024 which was approved by FERC in January 2025. WPP is seeking commitments from its participants by 10/31/25 to participate in the binding period starting in 2027. NVE has filed an IRP update with the Nevada Commission stating that they will not be moving forward with binding participation in WRAP. In addition, PacifiCorp, PGE, and PNM have also stated that they will not be going binding in the WRAP.

### **RSG and FRSG Participation**

BANC continues to participate in the Reserve Sharing Group and the Frequency Response Sharing Group through the WPP and receive benefits in doing so.

### **WestTEC**

WPP has initiated a new process called the Western Transmission Expansion Coalition (WestTEC) which is intended to provide coordination among the current regional transmission planning entities in the West (CAISO, Northern Tier, and WestConnect) to determine if there are some broader regional transmission projects that should be considered. WPP has obtained DOE funding for this effort and implementation is moving forward. They are currently envisioning a 2.5-year process with an initial 10-year plan to be issued in 2025 and a 20-year plan in 2026. The draft 10-year plan has been posted for comment.

## **CDWR Delta Pumping Load:**

The current schedule for the project is to initiate construction in 2033 with operations initiated in 2040's.

### **SB100 Implementation:**

As part of SB100, the CPUC, CEC, and CARB (Joint Agencies) are required to collaborate with the California BAs to develop a quadrennial report on the status of achieving the goals of SB100. The four POU BAs (BANC, IID, LADWP, and TID) are collaborating on positions and responses, facilitated by CMUA. The final, initial report was issued on 3/15/21. The CEC did reach out to the POU BAAs in early March 2021 seeking more engagement with the BAAs for the next round of analysis for the SB100 effort. Based upon discussions, the POU BAAs hired a consultant via CMUA to assist in this effort. BANC is working with IID, LADWP, and TID to coordinate our engagement in this effort. The CEC has reached out to the POU BAAs to discuss the status of their modeling efforts with an initial meeting held on 3/28/25. We expect additional meetings with the CEC as it prepares its final triennial report, though it is not clear when it will be issued.

### **Western Electricity Industry Leaders (WEIL) Group:**

The WEIL CEOs last met on September 26, 2025, in Portland, OR. The next meeting of the WEIL group is planned for February 6, 2026, in San Diego, CA.

### **Strategic Initiatives:**

The 2025/2026 Strategic Initiatives are attached to this report.

BANC 2025/2026 Strategic Plan - Routine Initiatives - November 2025 Update

No./Priority	Focus Area	Initiative	Responsibility	Target Due Date	Status
1 Medium	INDEPENDENCE	Effectively oversee the BA operations.	Jim Shetler	Ongoing	See monthly Ops, PC, Compliance, & GM Reports
2 Medium		Maintain long-term succession plan and traits for General Manager	Jim Shetler/Commission	Ongoing as Necessary	No update planned for 2025
3 Medium		Develop appropriate policies, procedures, & action tracking	Jim Shetler/BB&W	4th Qtr. 2026	
4 Medium	OUTREACH	Engage in industry forums (WECC, RC West, NWPPA, etc.)	Jim Shetler	Ongoing	Attend RC West, WECC Board, WEIL, & WPP mtgs.
5 Medium		Coordinate with other POU BAs (Ca and regionally)	Jim Shetler	Ongoing	Coordinating with SCL/SRP/LA/TP/TID on EIM/EDAM & SB100
6 Medium		Outreach to regulatory and legislative bodies on key issues	Jim Shetler/BB&W	Ongoing as Necessary	
7 Medium		Engage TID on BA/EIM/EDAM	Jim Shetler/BB&W	Ongoing	
8 High		Develop prioritized risk matrix on key regulatory issues	BB&W/Jim Shetler	Mid-2026	
9 Medium	ASSETS	Monitor RA development in WI including EDAM RA program	Jim S./BB&W/Res. Com.	4th Qtr. 2026	EDAM RA program discussion initiated
10 Medium		Finalize BANC-wide IRP Report	Jim S./Res. Comm	3rd Qtr. 2026	
11 High		Upgrade BANC RA Program	Jim S./Res. Comm.	3rd Qtr. 2026	Finalizing Brattle contract. Initiating effort 1st Qtr. 2026
12 Low	MEMBER SERVICES	Coordinate with BANC Operator to identify education areas for grid operations and outreach to members	Jim Shetler/Chris Hofmann	4th Qtr. 2026	
13 Low		Develop general education on BANC functions & support	Jim Shetler/BB&W	4t Qtr. 2026	

BANC 2025/2026 Strategic Plan - Focused Initiatives - November 2025 Update

No./Priority	Focus Area	Initiative	Responsibility	Target Due Date	Status
14 High	INDEPENDENCE	Manage EIM Phase 2 Going Forward	Jim Shetler/SMUD	Ongoing	Manage Phase 2 operations including EIM, Tech Anal. & Settlements committees
15 High		EDAM implementation effort ~ Manage BANC EDAM Imp. ~ Coordinate seams discussion	Jim Shetler/BB&W/ Utilicast	Oct-27	
16 Medium	OUTREACH	Evaluate opportunities to engage other entities in market development	Jim Shetler	Ongoing	Coordinating with SCL, SRP, LADWP, TID, Tacoma, Idaho, PAC, & PGE
17 Medium		Regional Policy Issues: Monitor/weigh-in where appropriate	Jim Shetler/Commission	Ongoing	
18 High		Market Regionalization: ~Monitor ongoing discussions at WEIL, Pathways, & etc.	Jim Shetler/BB&W	Ongoing	
19 High		Coordinate with CA BAs on SB100 effort	Jim Shetler/BB&W	Ongoing	
20 High	ASSETS	~ Develop agreements for Sutter CS Project	Jim S./BB&W/Res. Com.	3rd Qtr. 2026	Initiating detailed discussions 1st Qtr. 2026
21 High		~ Develop/issue BANC resource solicitation/Educate developers	Jim S./BB&W/Res. Com.	Mid-2026	
22 Medium	MEMBER SERVICES	Evaluate possible support to participants for EIM/EDAM operations	Jim S.	Ongoing	

## Balancing Authority of Northern California

### Agenda Item 5A

1. **BANC PC Area 2025 Transmission Planning Assessment.**
2. **Resolution 25-11-01 *Acknowledgment and Acceptance of BANC PC Area 2025 Transmission Planning Assessment.***





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**To: BANC Commission**

**From: BANC General Manager**

**RE: Acknowledgement and Acceptance of BANC PC Area 2025 Transmission Planning Assessment**

Included in the Commission packet for the November 19, 2025 BANC Commission meeting is the BANC Planning Coordinator (PC) Area 2025 Transmission Planning Assessment.<sup>1</sup> This document was produced by the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD), which serves as the BANC PC Services Provider. Concurrence from each member of the BANC Planning Committee was received on or before October 10, 2025. The performance of the BANC PC Area's portion of the Bulk Electric System (BES) was assessed in order to demonstrate that all of the performance requirements specified in the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Reliability Standard TPL-001-5.1 (Transmission System Planning Performance) were met for years 2026 through 2035 (planning years one through ten).

A number of studies were performed to assess BES performance under various scenarios. The Assessment did not identify any new system deficiencies or criteria violations for the MID and Roseville Electric portions of the BES. The RDNG and SMUD systems had performance deficiencies following extreme events, but no cascading or voltage collapse was identified. SMUD has previously identified performance deficiencies that have either documented operator actions or existing automatic RAS actions that address the issues. No new corrective action plans were developed for this assessment. The attached report provides additional information. This assessment demonstrates BANC's compliance with the NERC TPL-001-5.1 Reliability Standard, the WECC TPL-001-WECC-CRT-4 Transmission System Performance Criterion, and the BANC PC Participants' respective voltage criteria.

Compliance with NERC Reliability Standard TPL-001-5.1 is one of several that must be met by the BANC PC, and the Commission is requested to acknowledge receipt and accept the BANC PC Area 2025 Transmission Planning Assessment by resolution.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Entities included in the BANC PC Area include: the Modesto Irrigation District (MID), Redding Electric Utility (RDNG), Roseville Electric and SMUD. The City of Shasta Lake and the Trinity Public Utilities District are part of the Western Area Power Administration – Sierra Nevada Region PC Area.

<sup>2</sup> Refer to BANC PC Committee Chair Report for November 2025 for more information regarding the status of all PC-related NERC reliability standards.

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**Balancing Authority of Northern California**

**BANC PC Area**  
**2025 TPL-001-5.1 Assessment**

**November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

## Executive Summary

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This assessment was performed to demonstrate that the Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC) Planning Coordinator (PC) portion of the Bulk Electric System (BES) meets the performance requirements specified in the TPL-001-5.1 NERC Reliability Standard for the near term and long term planning horizons.

Analyses were performed for steady state and transient stability to assess the BES performance following various NERC Category P0-P7 contingencies and extreme events as well as sensitivity studies. A spare equipment unavailability analysis was conducted with NERC Categories P0, P1 and P2 contingencies. A known outage study was performed as well with the facilities planned to be out of service modeled offline. The short circuit analysis of interrupting capability was supported by current and qualified past studies from each BANC PC Participant, whereas the steady state and stability analyses were supported by current studies.

For all analyses performed, there were no system deficiencies or criteria violations identified for the MID or RE portions of the BES. The RDNG and SMUD systems had performance deficiencies following extreme events, but no cascading or voltage collapse was identified. SMUD has previously identified performance deficiencies that have either documented operator actions or existing automatic RAS actions that address the issues. No new corrective action plans were developed for this assessment.

The assessment demonstrates BANC PC's compliance with the NERC TPL-001-5.1 Reliability Standard, the WECC TPL-001-WECC-CRT-4 Transmission System Performance Criterion, and the BANC PC participant's respective voltage criteria.

Appendix A documents the TPL-001-5.1 requirements and the associated sections in this assessment that demonstrate compliance.



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## Terms

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BA	Balancing Authority
BANC	Balancing Authority of Northern California
MID	Modesto Irrigation District
NERC	North American Electric Reliability Corporation
PC	Planning Coordinator
PC Participants	SMUD, MID, RE, and RDNG
RE	Roseville Electric
RDNG	Redding Electric Utility
SMUD	Sacramento Municipal Utility District
TP	Transmission Planner
WECC	Western Electricity Coordinating Council



# 1 Introduction

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The Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC) is a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) consisting of the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD), Modesto Irrigation District (MID), Roseville Electric (RE), Redding Electric Utility (RDNG), Trinity Public Utilities District, and the City of Shasta Lake Utilities. BANC assumed the Balancing Authority (BA) responsibilities on May 1, 2011, with SMUD providing the BA operator services on a contract basis.

On January 1, 2017, BANC registered as the NERC Planning Coordinator (PC) for four of its members with a goal of fully complying with all PC-related reliability standards by January 1, 2018. The four BANC members that are in the BANC PC area are SMUD, MID, RE, and RDNG (individually “PC Participant” and collectively “PC Participants”). The City of Shasta Lake and Trinity Public Utility District are BANC members but are not PC Participants<sup>1</sup>. BANC and SMUD entered into an agreement wherein SMUD provides PC services to BANC on a contractual basis.

An assessment was performed for the BANC PC<sup>2</sup> portion of the Bulk Electric System (BES) in 2025 to demonstrate that it meets all performance and other requirements specified in the TPL-001-5.1 NERC Reliability Standard<sup>i</sup> for the near- and long-term planning horizons.

This report documents the assessment and is structured as follows:

- Section 2 provides the scope of this assessment.
- Section 3 provides the assumptions used in this assessment.
- Section 4 provides the analyses performed for this assessment.
- Section 5 provides the results of this assessment.

Appendix A documents the TPL-001-5.1 requirements and the associated sections in this assessment that demonstrated compliance.

# 2 Study Scope

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The BANC PC annual assessment measured the BES performance at the BANC PC Participant area for the near and long term planning horizons with the specific goal of demonstrating compliance with the TPL-001-5.1 NERC Reliability Standard. As such, the assessment was comprised of the following analyses:

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<sup>1</sup> The Western Area Power Administration – Sierra Nevada Region (WAPA-SNR) is also inside the BANC BA, but it is not a member of the BANC JPA. However, WAPA-SNR is an active participant in BANC activities. Additionally, WAPA-SNR is a registered PC and will serve as the PC for the Trinity Public Utilities District and the City of Shasta Lake. Thus, all BANC members are covered under either the BANC or WAPA-SNR PC registrations.

<sup>2</sup> BANC PC annual assessment includes performing an assessment for SMUD’s non-BES 115 kV elements and WAPA’s – SNR portion of the BES to insure reliable operation across the BANC PC area. The results of these studies are available to BANC members and upon request to entities with an NDA.



- Steady state analysis
- Stability analysis
- Sensitivity analysis
- Spare equipment unavailability analysis
- Short circuit analysis
- Known outage analysis

## 2.1 Steady State Analysis

A steady state analysis shall assess the system performance at peak load in the near-term and long-term transmission planning horizons. The steady-state performance shall be assessed in the near-term horizon using peak load cases that model year two (2027) and year five (2030). The long-term horizon shall be assessed using a peak load case for year ten (2035) as it represents the furthest out year of the long-term planning horizon, helping to identify potential future issues that may require significant lead time to adequately address and resolve. In addition, the system performance at off-peak shall be assessed for one of the five years. Year two (2027) was selected for the off-peak load study scenario.

## 2.2 Stability Analysis

A stability analysis shall be performed to assess the system performance in the near-term planning and long-term planning horizon. The peak and off-peak cases for year two (2027) and peak case for year five (2030) shall be used in the assessment for the near-term analysis and the peak case for year ten (2035) shall be used for the long-term analysis.

## 2.3 Sensitivity Study Scenarios

Sensitivity cases shall be used to assess the impact of changes to the basic assumptions used in the model. The sensitivity analysis shall vary one or more of the following conditions by a sufficient amount to stress the system within a range of credible conditions that demonstrate a measurable change in System response:

- Real and reactive forecasted Load.
- Expected transfers.
- Expected in service dates of new or modified transmission facilities.
- Reactive resource capability.
- Generation additions, retirements, or other dispatch scenarios.
- Controllable loads and demand side management.
- Duration or timing of known transmission outages.

A 1-in-10 year load forecast for the BANC PC area increased by 5% shall be used as the sensitivity study scenario to assess the near-term transmission planning horizon portion of the steady state analysis for the summer peak years 2027. For the off-peak sensitivity case for year 2027 a reduced generation dispatch with the largest generation plant in each BANC PC participants' area turned off (to stress imports) was chosen.





## 2.4 Spare Equipment Unavailability Study Scenarios

An entity's spare equipment strategy could result in the unavailability of major transmission equipment that has a lead time of one year or more. The impact of possible equipment unavailability on system performance was studied for P0, P1, and P2 categories. BANC PC performed the spare equipment unavailability analysis based on the BANC PC participants' spare equipment strategies for major transmission equipment that has a potential lead time of one year or more. The spare equipment strategy from RDNG<sup>ii</sup> showed that RDNG's Airport 230/115 kV transformer and 115/13.8 kV GSU transformer could be out of service for one year or more. Studies were performed with these facilities out of service to assess the impact on system performance for the possible unavailability. The spare equipment strategies from MID<sup>iii</sup>, RE<sup>iv</sup>, and SMUD<sup>v</sup> found no major transmission equipment with a lead time of one year or more.

## 2.5 Short Circuit Analysis

A short circuit analysis shall be used to assess the near-term transmission planning horizon using peak generation and determine whether circuit breakers have the interrupting capability for faults that they will be expected to interrupt. The short circuit analysis uses the system short circuit model with any planned generation and transmission facilities in service which could impact the study area. Each PC Participant is responsible for conducting their own short circuit study and providing the results of said study to be included in this assessment.

## 2.6 Known Outage Analysis

A known outage analysis will be performed in accordance with the “*BANC PC Known Outage Analysis Procedure*”<sup>vi</sup> to determine if any planned facility outages will cause criteria violations in the near term horizon. Each PC participant is responsible for informing BANC PC of any known outages that will take place during the assessment study years. There are known outages in the near term horizon in the SMUD portion of the BANC system associated with planned projects that were previously identified and studied in a past assessment. These past studies that will be utilized for this assessment performed P0 and P1 category events identified in Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1 and are still valid under requirement R2.6.

## 2.7 Summary of Study Years and Scenarios

Table 2.7 below summarizes the various types of analyses and study scenarios which were performed as part of the transmission system planning assessment, and the study years that were selected for each analysis.

Table 2.7 – Study scenarios and years performed in this assessment

Analysis	Scenario	Near-term horizon					Long-term horizon				
		year					year				
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		'26	'27	'28	'29	'30	'31	'32	'33	'34	'35
Steady state	Peak	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	X
	Off-peak	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stability	Peak	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	X



Analysis	Scenario	Near-term horizon					Long-term horizon				
		year					year				
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		'26	'27	'28	'29	'30	'31	'32	'33	'34	'35
	Off-peak	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spare equipment unavailability	Peak	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Off-peak	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Steady state sensitivity	Peak	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Off-peak	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stability sensitivity	Peak	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Off-peak	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Short circuit <sup>3</sup>	Peak	Years vary depending upon each PC Participant.									

### 3 Study Assumptions

The study assumptions used in this assessment are detailed in the sections that follow.

#### 3.1 System Model Representations

This assessment utilized system models maintained by the PC for the BES portion and non-BES portion of the BANC PC area. These system models were developed in accordance with NERC Reliability Standard MOD-032 and were submitted to the WECC for use in the compilation of base cases for various study years and scenarios.

BANC, when selecting the cases to be utilized in its annual planning assessment, considers Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter seasons as well as peak and off peak scenarios for those seasonal cases. The BANC PC participants are summer peaking utilities, and thus BANC determined it apt to study Heavy Summer as its peak scenario for the assessment to ensure there is adequate transmission capacity to handle the high load that is expected to occur and that there are adequate generation levels, resources, and imports to serve the forecasted peak load. For the off-peak scenario, BANC chose a Heavy Spring case with a load level that is approximately 60% of its summer peak load. This case is chosen as it has a different generation dispatch than is seen during the summer peak season as well as a peak load that occurs later in the day where solar is not as readily available. With California's aggressive renewable strategy, the Heavy Spring scenario offers an opportunity to study BANC's ability to serve its load in the absence of a majority of its renewable fleet as well as whether it has enough import capability to support its load.

All cases used are developed from WECC approved base cases for this assessment; these cases are listed in Table 3.1 below. Each study case was updated to reflect the most recent system

<sup>3</sup> The short circuit analysis performed for different years within the Near-Term Planning Horizon was dependent upon the data submitted by the BANC PC Participants.



operating conditions and topologies, including the load forecasts and generation dispatch levels, provided by each BANC PC Participant for the year and scenario studied.

Table 3.1 - WECC base cases that were used in the assessment

Study Year	Scenario	WECC Base Case	WECC DYD file	WECC Approval Date
2027	Summer Peak	25HS4a	25HS41	8/28/2024
2027	Heavy Spring	25HSP1a	25HSP11	6/5/2024
2030	Summer Peak	30HS2a	30HS21	12/5/2024
2035	Summer Peak	35HS1a	35HS11	10/18/2024

Assumptions and modifications for the cases are further described in the subsections below. These models use data consistent with that provided in accordance with all relevant modeling data reliability standards and are supplemented with data from other sources as necessary. Prior to the start of the TPL assessment, the WECC base cases to be used are sent to the PC Participants to review and the most accurate system data is provided as updates to these cases, if necessary. These are then utilized for the assessment.

### 3.1.1 Existing Facilities

The system models used in this assessment represented all existing facilities.

### 3.1.2 New Planned Facilities and Changes to Existing Facilities

The system models used in this assessment represented all new planned facilities and changes to existing facilities. See Appendix B for details of the new planned facilities and changes to existing facilities.

### 3.1.3 Real and Reactive Load Forecasts

The system models used in this assessment represented the most recent real power load forecasts and power factor from each BANC PC Participant. A 1-in-10 peak load forecast was used in the assessment for the summer peak study scenarios and typical off-peak loads were used for the spring off-peak scenario. BANC PC assumes a load level at 60% of the seasonal peak load to be considered off-peak.

SMUD has demand side management programs that incentivize customers to reduce their energy usage during high load hours, thus reducing the overall demand on the system. The impact of SMUD's DSM programs is included in SMUD's load forecast. MID has two DSM programs as well, but the purpose of MID's DSM programs is to ensure MID has the necessary resources to meet its 15% planning reserve *above* the 1-in-10 load forecast, and thus the program is not modeled *in* their load forecast. RE and RDNG do not have DSM programs in their system.

A 1-in-10 peak load forecast increased by an additional 5% was used for the sensitivity analysis. The off-peak sensitivity was performed using a reduced generation dispatch with the largest generation plant in each BANC PC participants' area turned off to stress imports. Table 3.1.3 below summarizes the load forecast data for all BANC PC Participants.



Table 3.1.3 – Load demand forecasts

PC Participant	Scenario	Real Power (MW)			Power Factor
		2027	2030	2035	
SMUD	1-in-10 Summer Peak	3,348	3,407	3,487	0.983 lag
	Spring Off-Peak	2,009	-	-	0.99 lag
MID	1-in-10 Summer Peak	763	788	828	0.987 lag
	Spring Off-Peak	458	-	-	0.987 lag
RDNG	1-in-10 Summer Peak	238.9	241.4	249.1	0.977 lag
	Spring Off-Peak	180.9	-	-	
RE	1-in-10 Summer Peak	417	437	461	0.985 lag
	Spring Off-Peak	88	-	-	

### 3.1.4 Firm Transmission Service and Interchange

Firm transmission service was not modeled in this assessment since BANC PC members have no commitments to provide firm transmission service.

Regarding interchange, SMUD currently has multiple contracts for interchange service from WAPA and PG&E. They are listed as follows:

- WASN has a contract with SMUD for 342 MW (bidirectional) to be delivered to SMUD at the Elverta/Hurley substations. Expires 1/15/2033.
- WASN has a contract with SMUD for 165 MW (unidirectional) to be delivered to SMUD at the Elverta/Natomas substations. Expires 7/1/2034.
- WASN has a contract with SMUD to deliver 318 MW of its CVP generation units' output to SMUD.
- PG&E and SMUD have a PPA for 48 MW (bidirectional) to be delivered to SMUD at the Rancho Seco substation.

These imports were modeled in the appropriate base cases.

### 3.1.5 Resources Required for Load

The system models used in this assessment represented the supply side resources and their projected dispatches for the peak and off-peak load conditions as summarized in Table 3.3.

Demand side resources were modeled in the SMUD system in the form of distributed generation that is netted out of the load. This assessment also represented demand side load response utilizing the WECC approved composite load model.



Table 3.1.5A –Supply-side resources and associated dispatch for the peak and off-peak scenarios (Hydro)

System	Plant	Unit	Maximum Operating Capacity (MW)	Dispatch Level (MW)			
				Summer Peak Year			Heavy Spring
				2027	2030	2035	2027
SMUD	Loon Lake	1	79	25	25	25	25
	Robb's Peak	1	25.5	20	20	20	20
	Jones Fork	1	10	10	10	10	10
	Union Valley	1	46	44	44	44	44
	Jaybird	1	76.5	56	56	56	56
		2	76.5	76	76	76	76
	Camino	1	79	56	56	56	56
		2	77	34	34	34	34
	White Rock	1	116	100	100	100	100
		2	133	116	116	116	116
	<b>Total</b>		<b>718.5</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>537</b>
MID	Don Pedro	3	46	45.0	45.0	45.0	45.0
	<b>Total</b>		<b>46</b>	<b>45.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>

Table 3.1.5B –Supply-side resources and associated dispatch for the peak and off-peak scenarios (Thermal)

System	Plant	Unit	Maximum Operating Capacity (MW)	Dispatch Level (MW)			
				Summer Peak Year			Heavy Spring
				2027	2030	2035	2027
SMUD	Cosumnes Power Plant	ST1	207	192	192	192	192
		CT2	207	184	184	184	184
		CT3	207	184	184	184	184
		<b>Total</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>560</b>
	Campbell's Soup	CT1	121	0	0	0	0



System	Plant	Unit	Maximum Operating Capacity (MW)	Dispatch Level (MW)			
				Summer Peak Year			Heavy Spring
				2027	2030	2035	2027
		ST2	52	0	0	0	0
		<b>Total</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	Procter & Gamble	CTG-1A	49	42	42	42	42
		CTG-1B	49	42	42	42	0
		STG	42	34	34	34	17
		<b>Total</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>59</b>
	Carson Ice	CTG1	49	40	40	40	40
		STG	13.7	10	10	10	10
		<b>Total</b>	<b>62.7</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>
	McClellan Peaker	CT	74	0	0	0	0
	Procter & Gamble Peaker	CTG-1C	49	47	47	47	0
	Carson Peaker	CTG2	42	40	40	40	0
	UCD Med Center		27	25	25	0	15
	<b>Total</b>		<b>1201</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>684</b>
MID	Woodland 1	CT	45	43	43	43	0
	Woodland 2	CT	48	49	49	49	49
		ST	37	7	7	7	7
		<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>56</b>
	Woodland 3	6	49	35	35	35	31
	McClure Peaker	CT1	53.5	0	0	0	0
		CT2	53.5	0	0	0	0
	Ripon Peaker	CT1	48	0	0	0	0
		CT2	46	35	35	35	0
	Claribel Generation*	CT1	47.97	0	0	0	0



System	Plant	Unit	Maximum Operating Capacity (MW)	Dispatch Level (MW)			
				Summer Peak Year			Heavy Spring
				2027	2030	2035	2027
	<b>Total</b>		<b>415.97</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>87</b>
RDNG	Redding Power Plant	CT1	16	0	0	0	0
		CT2	23	23	0	0	0
		CT3	23	20.7	0	0	0
		ST1	27	27	25.9	26.7	25
		CT4	39	39	37.8	39	36.6
		CT5	40	40	37.8	39.1	36.6
	<b>Total</b>		<b>168</b>	<b>149.7</b>	<b>101.5</b>	<b>104.8</b>	<b>98.2</b>
RE	Roseville Energy Park	CT1	47.5	47.5	47.5	47.5	25
		CT2	47.5	47.5	47.5	47.5	25
		ST3	80	70	70	70	30
	Roseville Peaker (RPP2)	CT1	24.9	20	20	20	0
		CT2	24.9	20	20	20	0
	Roseville Peaker (RPEAK)*	CT5	33.6	27	27	27	0
		CT6	33.6	27	27	27	0
	<b>Total</b>		<b>285</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>80</b>
External	Sutter Energy Center	CT1	175	166.7	83.3	83.3	0
		CT2	175	166.7	83.3	83.3	0
		CT3	175	166.7	83.3	83.3	0
		<b>Total</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>0</b>

\*Note: State of California emergency peaker units.



Table 3.1.5C –Supply-side resources and associated dispatch for the peak and off-peak scenarios (Solar)

System	Plant	Unit	Maximum Operating Capacity (MW)	Dispatch Level (MW)			
				Summer Peak			Heavy Spring
				2027	2030	2035	2027
SMUD	Solar Share II	PV	160	112	112	112	0
	Coyote Creek*	PV	315	N/A	0	0	N/A
		BESS	105	N/A	0	0	N/A
		<b>Total</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>N/A</b>
	Country Acres*	PV North	172	172	172	172	0
		BESS North	172	0	0	0	86
		PV South	172	172	172	172	0
		BESS South	172	0	0	0	86
		<b>Total</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>172</b>
	Slough House	PV	50	35	35	35	0
	Wildflower	PV	15.8	13	13	13	0
	<b>Total</b>		<b>715</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>160</b>
MID	McHenry Solar Farm	PV	25	11	11	11	17
	<b>Total</b>		<b>25</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>17</b>
RDNG	None	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
RE	None	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

\*The true generation of these plants may be higher than the dispatch level shown in order to meet the maximum POI output after accounting for internal plant loads and losses





## 4 Analyses

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This assessment included steady state, transient stability and short circuit analyses, which are described in the sections that follow. All simulations performed for the steady state and transient stability portion of this assessment were performed using the General Electric Positive Sequence Load Flow (PSLF) program. Short circuit studies were performed using Aspen One Liner, CAPE and GE PSLF. These software programs are widely used throughout the WECC.

### 4.1 Steady State Analysis

A steady state analysis was performed as part of this assessment to determine whether the BANC PC portion of the BES meets the performance requirements specified in the TPL-001-5.1 NERC Reliability Standard for the near and long term planning horizons. The analysis was also performed to assess the impact of extreme events identified in TPL-001-5.1 table 1. This analysis was supported by current studies.

#### 4.1.1 Peak Load Years

This assessment included a steady state analysis of peak loads for planning years two, five, and ten (2027, 2030, and 2035) to span the near-term and long-term planning horizons. Years two (2027) and five (2030) were selected for inclusion in this assessment since they bookend the near-term planning horizon. Year one was not selected since the summer peak load for year one will be less than one year away when this report is finalized. Year ten (2035) was selected for inclusion because it encompasses all approved projects for the long-term planning horizon.

#### 4.1.2 Off-peak Load Years

This assessment included a steady state analysis of off-peak loads for planning year two (2027). Off-peak load is generally defined by BANC PC as spring with a light system load of about 60% of peak, or as uniquely defined by an individual BANC PC participant for their own system, with voltages higher than normal, and generation at a minimum. The off-peak load used in this assessment was determined using engineering judgment and/or historical off-peak spring load data as provided by each BANC PC Participant.

#### 4.1.3 Sensitivity Analysis

This assessment included sensitivity analyses to demonstrate the impact of changes to basic assumptions used in the system models to the steady state reliability. Sensitivity cases for the peak and off-peak load cases were developed by varying the certain conditions in such a way as to stress the system within a range of credible conditions that demonstrated a measurable change in system response.

A sensitivity analysis was performed on the 2027 and 2030 peak load years by using the 1-in-10 year load forecast for the BANC PC area increased by 5% to assess the near-term horizon portion of the steady state analysis. For the off-peak sensitivity case for year 2027 a reduced generation dispatch with the largest generation plant in each BANC PC participants' area turned off (to stress imports) was chosen. The load power factors in the sensitivity cases were assumed to remain the same.



A sensitivity analysis was also performed on the 2027 off peak sensitivity by assuming the power output from the largest generation plant in each participant's area was off-line, which would result in an increase in system imports and a decrease in online spinning generation. Table 4.1.3.1 lists the scenarios for each BANC PC Participant in the sensitivity study base cases.

Table 4.1.3.1 – Spring off-peak sensitivity scenarios

PC Participant	Element	Scenario	
		Off-Peak	Off-Peak Sensitivity
SMUD	Cosumnes Power Plant	510 MW	0 MW
MID	Woodland Power Plant	94 MW	0 MW
RDNG	Redding Power Plant	48 MW	0 MW
RE	Roseville Power Plant	80 MW	0 MW

#### 4.1.4 Known Outages

This assessment included a steady state analysis to assess the impact of known outages of generation or Transmission Facilities planned in the near term horizon in accordance with the “*BANC PC Known Outage Analysis Procedure*”. SMUD identified the following facilities that are planned to be out of service in the near term horizon:

- Elverta-Orangevale 230 kV Line (SMUD)
- Elverta-Foothill 230 kV Line (SMUD)

These outages would be taken as part of the El Rio<sup>vii</sup> and Country Acres<sup>viii</sup> projects in the SMUD TP area. Past studies analyzing these outages were utilized for this assessment which are still valid under requirement R2.6. These analyses performed P0 and P1 category contingencies identified in Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1.

#### 4.1.5 Spare Equipment Unavailability Analysis

The respective spare equipment strategies of the BANC PC Participants could result in the unavailability of the following major transmission equipment for one year or more:

- Airport 230/115 kV transformer (RDNG)
- Redding Power Plant 115/13.8 kV GSU (RDNG)

The spare equipment strategies for MID, RE, and SMUD found no major transmission equipment that could result in unavailability for one year or more, due to long lead times.

A steady state analysis was performed for the 2027 peak load case to assess the impact of the possible unavailability of the long lead time equipment listed above. The steady state analysis included the evaluation of the P0, P1, and P2 category contingencies identified in Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1.



#### 4.1.6 Contingencies Studied

The steady state analysis was performed using a comprehensive list of contingencies based on Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1. All possible contingencies for categories P0-P7 were studied for the steady state analyses. P3 and P6 category contingencies were automatically generated by a computer script to cover all possible combinations. In addition, extreme events in Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1 were identified and included in analysis based on a rationale provided by each individual BANC PC participant. A summary of the types of contingencies included in the steady state analysis is shown in Table 4.1.6 below.

All contingencies simulated the removal of all elements that the protection system and other automatic controls are expected to disconnect without operator intervention. Generators with post-contingency steady state bus voltages outside the specified ranges provided by each BANC PC Participant were investigated to determine if the generators should be manually tripped to reflect actual protection equipment settings and generator limits (See Table 4.1.7 for the bus voltage criteria). Transmission elements that were overloaded above 150% of their highest seasonal rating (per NERC standard PRC-023-6<sup>ix</sup>), were also investigated in accordance with BANC's cascading analysis.

Devices designed to provide steady state control of electrical system quantities, such as phase-shifting transformers, load tap changing transformers, switched capacitors and inductors, were assumed to respond to any contingency after the post-transient contingency analysis time frames of one to three minutes. Therefore, the post-transient solution methodology was utilized, which disabled the adjustment of transmission devices such as phase-shifting transformers, load tap changing transformers, switched capacitors and inductors.

To comply with the TPL-001-5.1, R3.4, contingencies used in this analysis were coordinated with all adjacent PCs and TPs to ensure that contingencies on adjacent systems that may impact the BANC PC portion of the BES were included in this assessment.

Table 4.1.6 – Contingencies Studied in this Assessment (where applicable)

Contingencies	Description
P0 (No contingency)	All Elements in Service
P1 (Single Contingency)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loss of one generator (P1.1)</li> <li>• Loss of one transmission circuit (P1.2)</li> <li>• Loss of one transformer (P1.3)</li> <li>• Loss of one shunt or SVC/STATCOM device (P1.4)</li> <li>• Loss of a single pole of DC lines (P1.5)</li> </ul>
P2 (Single Contingency)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loss of one transmission circuit without a fault (P2.1)</li> <li>• Loss of one bus section (P2.2)</li> <li>• Loss of one breaker (internal fault) (non-bus-tie-breaker) (P2.3)</li> <li>• Loss of one breaker (internal fault) (bus-tie-breaker) (P2.4)</li> </ul>



Contingencies	Description
P3 (Multiple Contingency)	<p>Loss of a generator unit followed by system adjustments and the loss of the followings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loss of one transmission circuit (P1.2)</li> <li>• Loss of one transformer (P1.3)</li> <li>• Loss of one shunt or SVC/STATCOM device (P1.4)</li> </ul>
P4 (Multiple Contingency)	<p>Loss of multiple elements caused by a stuck breaker attempting to clear a fault on one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loss of one generator (P4.1)</li> <li>• Loss of one transmission circuit (P4.2)</li> <li>• Loss of one transformer (P4.3)</li> <li>• Loss of one shunt device (P4.4)</li> <li>• Loss of one bus section (P4.5)</li> <li>• Loss of a bus-tie-breaker (P4.6)</li> </ul>
P5 (Multiple Contingency)	<p>Contingencies with delayed fault clearing due to the failure of a non-redundant component of the protection system protecting the faulted element to operate as designed for one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loss of one generator (P5.1)</li> <li>• Loss of one transmission circuit (P5.2)</li> <li>• Loss of one transformer (P5.3)</li> <li>• Loss of one shunt device (P5.4)</li> <li>• Loss of one bus section (P5.5)</li> </ul>
P6 (Multiple Contingency)	<p>Loss of two or more (non-generator unit) elements with system adjustment between them, which produce the more severe system results</p>
P7 (Multiple Contingency)	<p>Loss of a common structure as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any two adjacent circuits on common structure (P7.1)</li> <li>• Loss of a bipolar DC lines (P7.2)</li> </ul>
Extreme	<p>Local area or wide area events affecting the Transmission System</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loss of all Transmission lines on a common Right-of-Way</li> <li>• Loss of a substation</li> <li>• Loss of major gas pipeline</li> <li>• Loss of all generating units at a generating station</li> <li>• 3 phase fault with delayed clearing for two adjacent circuits</li> </ul>

#### 4.1.7 Performance Requirements

The steady state analysis results for category P0 through P7 contingencies were evaluated against the performance requirements in Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1.

These performance requirements can be summarized as:

- The system shall remain stable.
- Cascading and uncontrolled islanding shall not occur.



- Applicable facility ratings shall not be exceeded. For P0 contingencies these shall be the applicable season's normal ratings, and for all other contingency categories these shall be the applicable season's emergency ratings.
- Steady state voltages and post-contingency voltage deviations shall be within acceptable limits as established by BANC PC Participants.
- Non-consequential load loss is not allowed for category P1, P2.1, and P3 contingencies.

For the steady state analysis, each BANC PC Participant defined the acceptable limits for steady state voltages and voltage deviations as listed in Table 4.1.7 below.

Table 1.1.7 – Steady State Voltage Criteria

System	Nominal Voltage	Normal Conditions		Contingency Conditions		Voltage Deviation
		Vmin (pu)	Vmax (pu)	Vmin (pu)	Vmax (pu)	P1 & P2.1
SMUD	230 kV	0.95	1.05	0.90 <sup>4</sup>	1.052	≤ 8%
MID	230 kV	0.95	1.05	0.90	1.052	≤ 8%
	115 kV	0.95	1.05	0.90	1.052	≤ 8%
RE	230 kV	1.00	1.057	0.948	1.10	≤ 8%
RDNG	115 kV	0.974	1.076	0.923	1.10	≤ 8%

SMUD uses the WECC default criteria for its pre-contingency voltage limits and the criteria found in SMUD's OP-204<sup>x</sup> operating procedure for its post-contingency voltage limits which differ from the default WECC criteria. Namely, the high voltage limit for post-contingency in OP-204 is 1.052 pu, which is more stringent than the 1.10 pu default WECC criteria. It also has a more stringent low voltage limit of 0.948 pu for certain busses in order to prevent activation of its UVDLS scheme. The high voltage limit value stems from SMUD's facility ratings methodology which is based on the ANSI/NEMA C84.1 standard. The stricter post-contingency high voltage limit is in place for the protection of SMUD's equipment and facilities and will not result in violations of equipment ratings, instability, uncontrolled islanding, or Cascading on its own and adjacent systems.

MID also uses voltage limits more stringent than the default planning criteria in accordance with its Operating Bulletin 48. These stricter upper voltage limits are in place for the protection of MID's facilities and will not result in violations of equipment ratings, instability, uncontrolled islanding, or Cascading on its own and adjacent systems.

RDNG's voltage limits can be found in its Standard Operating Procedure SOP-07 115 kV Transmission System Normal Operations<sup>xi</sup>. RDNG's voltage criteria is more limiting than the WECC Reliability Criterion from WECC-CRT-4 WR1 because RDNG typically sees a median operating voltage of 117.875 kV, which differs from the nominal transmission voltage of 115 kV by +2.5%. To accommodate this shift, all substation power transformers have their primary taps set at 117.875. In addition, the established voltage limits are shifted to accommodate the system voltage offset by increasing the per-unit normal condition, the minimum and maximum voltages,

<sup>4</sup> SMUD 230 kV buses that have a UVLS scheme associated with it are limited to Vmin of 0.948 PU. These buses include Carmichael, Elk Grove, Elverta, Foothill, Hurley, Orangevale, and Pocket.



and the contingency minimum voltage. However, the WECC contingency high voltage limit is not shifted to eliminate the possibility of exceeding the operating limits of equipment at the point of interconnection.

Roseville uses WASN's voltage criteria as defined in WASN Operating Procedure OP-050, as WASN is the transmission operator for Roseville.

The criteria used to identify system instability are as follows:

- Cascading – The uncontrolled successive loss of system elements triggered by an incident at any location, and which results in widespread electric service interruption that cannot be restrained from sequentially spreading beyond an area predetermined by studies.
  - When a post contingency analysis results in steady-state facility loading that exceeds 125% of the highest seasonal facility rating for the facility studied for P1 and P7 contingencies.
  - When a post contingency analysis results in steady-state facility loading that is either more than a known BES facility trip setting or exceeds 150% of the highest seasonal facility rating for the BES facility studied for P2-P6 and extreme contingencies. BANC will first run the test if a loading exceeds 150% of the highest seasonal rating and if cascading is identified, will then determine the actual trip setting and re-perform the cascading test if the loading exceeds this known trip setting.<sup>5</sup>
  - When either unrestrained successive load loss occurs, or unrestrained successive generation loss occurs.
- Uncontrolled islanding – The unplanned and uncontrolled splitting of the power system into two or more islands. Severe disturbances may cause uncontrolled separation by causing a group of generators in one area to swing against a group of generators in a different area of the power system.
- Voltage instability – The violation of any of the following WECC voltage criteria.
  - For transfer paths, all P0-P1 events shall demonstrate a positive reactive power margin at a minimum of 105 percent of transfer path flow.
  - For transfer paths, all P2-P7 events shall demonstrate a positive reactive power margin at a minimum of 102.5 percent of transfer path flow.
  - For load areas, all P0-P1 events shall demonstrate a positive reactive power margin at a minimum of 105 percent of forecasted peak load.
  - For load areas, all P2-P7 events shall demonstrate a positive reactive power margin at a minimum of 102.5 percent of forecasted peak load.

Simulations that resulted in cascading, voltage instability, or uncontrolled islanding were deemed unstable.

The results for the extreme contingencies were assessed for their impact to the system. If the results showed cascading caused by the occurrence of an extreme event, an evaluation of

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<sup>5</sup> It is difficult to acquire the true MVA relay trip settings and therefore BANC utilizes 150% as a minimum in accordance with PRC-023, which all PC participants have confirmed they are in compliance with. BANC will only acquire the true MVA relay trip setting should cascading be identified following a test using 150% of the facilities highest seasonal rating.



possible actions designed to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences and adverse impacts of the events was conducted.

## 4.2 Short Circuit Analysis

A short circuit analysis addressing the near-term transmission planning horizon was included in this assessment to determine whether circuit breakers have adequate interrupting capability for faults that they will be expected to interrupt.

This analysis was supported by past studies performed by MID, SMUD, and RDNG. The past studies are qualified since they met the following criteria:

- The past studies are less than five calendar years old.
- No material changes have occurred since the past studies were performed.

The years studied are listed in Table 4.2.

Table 4.2 - Years Studied for Short Circuit Analysis

System	Year Performed	Year(s) Studied
SMUD <sup>xii</sup>	2024	2025, 2029
MID <sup>xiii</sup>	2024	2027, 2031
RDNG <sup>xiv</sup>	2021	2021, 2026
RE <sup>xv</sup>	2025	2025

### 4.2.1 Simulation Software

The short circuit studies provided by SMUD, RDNG and RE were performed with the ASPEN One Liner and CAPE software programs. MID utilized the GE PSLF software program.

These software programs are widely used throughout the WECC.

### 4.2.2 Short Circuit Modeling

The short circuit models in the ASPEN program are consistent with the system topology studied in the steady state base cases which reflect the planned projects in Appendix B.

### 4.2.3 Rating Criteria

The criteria used in the short circuit analysis are based on industry standards developed and approved by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers<sup>xvixvii</sup>.

## 4.3 Stability Analysis

A stability analysis was performed as part of this assessment to assess the transient stability performance of the BANC PC area in the near-term planning horizon. This analysis was supported by current studies.

Although there are no planned material generation additions or changes in the long-term horizon for the BANC PC, the year ten (2035) case was studied to assess potential impacts from neighboring systems.



#### 4.3.1 Peak Load Years

This assessment included a stability analysis of the 2027 peak load year in the near-term planning horizon and year 2035 peak load year in the long-term planning horizon.

The rationale for selecting year two (2027) and year ten (2035) is the same rationale described in Section 4.1.1. Previous study experience has shown that the heavy summer scenario is generally the most critical scenario for transient stability studies. The WECC composite load models, which better represent the dynamic behavior of system loads, were used in this assessment.

#### 4.3.2 Off-peak Load Years

This assessment included a stability analysis of the 2027 off-peak load condition in the near-term planning horizon.

#### 4.3.3 Sensitivity Analysis

Like the steady state sensitivity analysis, two stability sensitivity analyses were performed to demonstrate the impact of changes to basic assumptions used in the system models to the stability of the system.

A sensitivity analysis was performed on the 2027 peak load year by using the 1-in-10 year load forecast for the BANC PC area increased by 5% to assess the near-term transmission planning horizon portion of the stability analysis. For the off-peak sensitivity case for year 2027 a reduced generation dispatch with the largest generation plant in each BANC PC participants' area turned off (to stress imports) was chosen. The load power factors in the sensitivity cases were assumed to remain the same.

#### 4.3.4 Known Outages

This assessment included a stability analysis to assess the impact of known outages of generation or Transmission Facilities planned in the near term horizon in accordance with the "*BANC PC Known Outage Analysis Procedure*". SMUD identified the following facilities that are planned to be out of service in the near term horizon:

- Elverta-Orangevale 230 kV Line (SMUD)
- Elverta-Foothill 230 kV Line (SMUD)

These outages would be taken as part of the El Rio and Country Acres projects in the SMUD TP area. Past studies analyzing these outages were utilized for this assessment which are still valid under requirement R2.6. These analyses performed P1 category contingencies identified in Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1.

#### 4.3.5 Spare Equipment Unavailability Analysis

The respective spare equipment strategies of the BANC PC Participants could result in the unavailability of the following major transmission equipment for one year or more:

- Airport 230/115 kV transformer (RDNG)
- Redding Power Plant 115/13.8 kV GSU (RDNG)

The spare equipment strategies for MID, RE, and SMUD found no major transmission equipment that could result in unavailability for one year or more, due to long lead times.





A steady state analysis was performed for the 2027 peak load case to assess the impact of the possible unavailability of the long lead time equipment listed above. The steady state analysis included the evaluation of the P0, P1, and P2 category contingencies identified in Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1.

#### **4.3.6 Long-Term Planning Horizon**

The 2035 heavy summer case was studied for potential impacts from any future facility additions external to the BANC PC area which could have a potential impact on the reliability of the BANC PC area. It was also chosen to encompass any long term transmission projects planned in the BANC PC area. The 10 year planning case is chosen to encompass any and all projects from neighboring systems that would be submitted to the WECC base case compilation.

#### **4.3.7 Contingencies Studied**

A stability analysis was performed based on the contingencies listed in Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1. All P0-P7 contingencies were ran for the stability analyses for MID, RDNG, and RE. In accordance with requirement R4.4, SMUD has a technical rationale for the selection of stability contingencies<sup>xviii</sup> to be used for assessment. This rationale was followed when selecting contingencies to be performed on SMUD's portion of the BANC system for this assessment. In addition, extreme events in Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1 were identified and included in analysis based on each individual PC participants extreme contingency rationale. A summary of the types of stability contingencies evaluated in the stability analysis are shown in Table 4.1.6.

All contingencies simulated the removal of all elements that the protection system and other automatic controls are expected to disconnect without operator intervention. Generators were tripped with the generator under-voltage tripping indicated by the generator protection models, which are included in the WECC approved dynamic models if simulations showed generator bus voltages or high side of the generator step-up voltages outside the ride-through voltage ranges specified in the PRC-024<sup>xix</sup> NERC Reliability Standard. Transmission lines and transformers were tripped using the WECC approved generic relay models when transient swings showed the potential to cause protection system operation as defined under PRC-026<sup>6</sup>. MID is the only BANC PC member that utilizes high speed reclosing in their system, so successful and unsuccessful high speed reclosing were modeled and simulated for the MID system.

All existing devices that are designed to provide dynamic control of electrical system quantities were simulated. These devices include generator exciter control, power system stabilizers, static VAR compensators, power flow controllers, and DC Transmission controllers. The dynamic data used in the stability simulations included (but were not limited to) the modeling of generator governors, exciters, power system stabilizers, and other automatic control equipment.

The contingencies used in the transient stability analysis were coordinated with all adjacent PCs and TPs to ensure that contingencies on adjacent systems which may impact the BANC PC area were included in this assessment.

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<sup>6</sup> Models used to ensure relay performance during stable power swings were GE PSLF models: zonedef (zone definition for WECC distance relay model), distrel (WECC distance relay), zmetra (apparent impedance recorder), lnrelscan (line relay scanning model), lofscan (loss-of-field scanning model), and oosscan (out-of-step scanning model).



#### 4.3.8 Performance requirements

The stability analysis results for category P0 through P7 contingencies included in this analysis were evaluated against the performance requirements in Table 1 of TPL-001-5.1. These performance requirements can be summarized as:

- The system shall remain stable.
- Cascading and uncontrolled islanding shall not occur.
- Transient voltage response shall be within acceptable limits as established by the PC and the TP.
- Non-consequential load loss is not allowed for category P1, P2.1, and P3 contingencies on the BANC PC portion of BES.
- For P1 events, no generating unit shall pull out of synchronism.
- For P2 through P7 events, generators that pull out of synchronism shall not cause apparent impedance swings that trip transmission system elements other than the generator unit and its directly connected facilities.
- For P1 through P7 events, power oscillations shall exhibit acceptable damping as established by the PC and the TP.

The results for the extreme contingencies were assessed for their impact to the system based on the above criteria. If the results showed cascading caused by the occurrence of an extreme event, an evaluation of possible actions designed to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences and adverse impacts of the events was conducted.

In accordance with PRC-024, generators are not to trip while their bus voltages remain within the No-Trip zone defined within PRC-024.

The criteria in WR1 of *WECC Criterion TPL-001-WECC-CRT-4 Transmission System Planning Performance* were used to assess the transient stability performance of the system. These criteria are as follows:

- For all P1 through P7 events, voltages shall recover to 80 percent voltage of the pre-contingency voltage within 20 seconds of the initiating event for each applicable BES bus serving load.
- For all P1 through P7 events, following fault clearing and voltage recovery above 80 percent, voltage at each applicable BES bus serving load shall neither dip below 70 percent of pre-contingency voltage for more than 30 cycles nor remain below 80 percent of pre-contingency voltage for more than two seconds.
- For Contingencies without a fault (P2.1 category event), voltage dips at each applicable BES bus serving load shall neither dip below 70 percent of pre-contingency voltage for more than 30 cycles nor remain below 80 percent of pre-contingency voltage for more than two seconds.

The criterion for acceptable damping for power oscillations, which was adopted from WR1.6 in *WECC Criterion TPL-001-WECC-CRT-4 Transmission System Planning Performance*, was that all oscillations must show positive damping within 30 seconds after the start of the event. Oscillations that did not meet this criterion were deemed unstable.



## 5 Study Results

The results of the steady state, short circuit, and stability analyses are described in the sections that follow for the BANC PC<sup>7</sup> area.

### 5.1 Steady State

The steady state analysis identified performance deficiencies for the RDNG and SMUD systems for extreme contingencies, but cascading or voltage collapse were not identified. There were also previously identified performance deficiencies identified in the SMUD system that have already established remedial action schemes associated with the overloaded facilities. Upon modeling the RAS action, the overloads were mitigated. The performance deficiencies for RDNG and SMUD and the existing RAS schemes for SMUD are documented in the results summaries in Appendix C. Descriptions of the RAS actions themselves are housed in SMUD's OP-207<sup>xx</sup> document. There were no performance deficiencies identified for the MID and RE systems.

#### 5.1.1 Corrective Action Plans

There were no new Corrective Action Plans created as a result of this assessment. Below is a list of existing CAPs (if any) as well as the year they were first identified and the planned implementation year:

Table 5.1.1: Currently Active Corrective Action Plans

PC Participant	Project Name	Project Need	Date First Identified	Implementation Status	In service date
-	None	-	-	-	-

#### 5.1.2 Impact of Extreme Contingencies

The steady state analysis identified thermal overloads and voltage criteria violations for certain extreme contingencies. As these are by nature very low probability events and no cascading or voltage collapse was identified following the events, corrective action plans were not developed to mitigate these contingencies. A summary of the steady state study results for extreme contingencies can be referenced in Appendices C and D.

#### 5.1.3 Sensitivity Analysis

No additional thermal overloads or voltage criteria violations other than those already identified and addressed in the main study scenarios were identified in the sensitivity analyses. No voltage criteria violations were identified. A summary of the steady state sensitivity study results can be referenced in Appendix D.

<sup>7</sup> BANC PC annual assessment includes performing an assessment for SMUD's non-BES 115 kV elements and WAPA's – SNR portion of the BES to insure reliable operation across the BANC PC area. The results of these studies are available to BANC members and upon request to entities with an NDA.



#### **5.1.4 Spare Equipment Unavailability Analysis**

The results of RDNG's Airport 230/115 kV transformer and 115/13.8 kV GSU transformer spare equipment unavailability analyses showed no performance deficiencies. As such, there are no recommendations for the spare equipment strategy.

#### **5.1.5 Known Outage Analysis**

The known outage analysis did not identify any overloads with known or planned outages in the near term horizon.

### **5.2 Short Circuit**

The short circuit analysis showed that all circuit breakers in the BANC PC area have adequate short circuit current interrupting capabilities, and no corrective action plans are necessary to meet the performance requirements. A list of elements that exceeded 80% of their rated fault duty is provided in Appendix H. These elements will be reviewed in future assessments due to their high interrupting duties.

The interrupting capabilities are listed in the individual PC Participants short circuit study reports.

### **5.3 Stability**

The stability analysis for the peak and off-peak cases did not identify any system deficiencies for the Category P1 to P7 contingencies that were simulated. All stability performance criteria were met, and no corrective action plans are necessary to meet the performance requirements.

See Appendix E for sample stability plots. Additional plots are available upon request.

#### **5.3.1 Sensitivity Analysis**

The peak load and off-peak load stability sensitivity analyses did not identify any performance deficiencies.

#### **5.3.2 Impact of Extreme Contingencies**

The stability analysis concluded that no cascading was identified following extreme contingencies.

## **6 Roles and Responsibilities**

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The PC and Transmission Planners' individual and joint role and responsibilities for performing the required studies for the Planning Assessment are listed in the subsections that follow.

### **6.1 Joint Roles and Responsibilities**

All entities shall be jointly responsible for the following:

- Ensuring the base cases used in the study are accurate. The Planning Coordinator and all Transmission Planners/PC Participants shall endeavor to ensure the models are updated with the latest information for their respective systems.



- Responding to phone and email communications within a reasonable time.
- Working together to resolve differences with respect to study assumptions, modeling, results, or any other issue that may arise during the study.
- Working together to develop Corrective Action Plans when performance criteria violations are deemed valid.

## **6.2 Individual Roles and Responsibilities**

The Planning Coordinator shall be individually responsible for the following:

- Performing all analyses required by NERC TPL-001-5.1, PRC-023, PRC-026, IRO-17 and documenting such analyses.
- Fulfilling other responsibilities that are jointly agreed upon by the Planning Coordinator and Transmission Planners and other PC Participants.

The Transmission Planners and other PC Participants shall be individually responsible for the following:

- Providing all information requested to perform the required studies for the Planning Assessment.
- Performing and providing the results of the short circuit studies.
- Providing a spare equipment unavailability strategy.
- Providing an extreme contingency rationale.
- Providing BANC PC with known outages occurring during the near term horizon.



## Appendix A. TPL-001-5.1 Requirement Matrix

The table below lists the TPL-001-5.1 requirements and the associated sections in this assessment that demonstrated compliance.

Table A.1 – Compliance requirements and their corresponding sections and pages

Requirement	Section	Page
R1	3.1	9
R1.1	-	-
R1.1.1	3.1.1	10
R1.1.2	3.1.2	10
R1.1.3	3.1.3	10
R1.1.4	3.1.4	11
R1.1.5	3.1.5	11
R2	-	-
R2.1	4.1	16
R2.1.1	4.1.1	16
R2.1.2	4.1.2	16
R2.1.3	4.1.3	16
R2.1.4	4.1.4	17
R2.1.5	4.1.5	17
R2.2	4.1.1	16
R2.2.1	4.1.1	16
R2.3	4.2, 5.2	22, 27
R2.4	4.3	22
R2.4.1	4.3.1	23
R2.4.2	4.3.2	23
R2.4.3	4.3.3	23
R2.4.4	4.3.4	23
R2.4.5	4.3.5	23
R2.5	4.3.6	24
R2.6	4.2	22
R2.6.1	4.2	22
R2.6.2	4.2	22
R2.7	5	26
R2.7.1	5	26
R2.7.2	5	26
R2.7.3	5	26
R2.7.4	5	26
R2.8	5.2	27
R2.8.1	5.2	27
R2.8.2	5.2	27



Table A.1 continued

Requirement	Section	Page
R3	4.1	16
R3.1	4.1.6	18
R3.2	4.1.6	18
R3.3	4.1.6	18
R3.3.1	4.1.6	18
R3.3.1.1	4.1.6	18
R3.3.1.2	5.1.1	26
R3.3.2	4.1.6	18
R3.4	4.1.6	18
R3.4.1	4.1.6	18
R3.5	4.1.6	18
R4	4.3.5	23
R4.1	4.3.5	23
R4.1.1	4.3.6	24
R4.1.2	4.3.6	24
R4.1.3	4.3.6	24
R4.2	4.3.6	24
R4.3	4.3.6	24
R4.3.1	4.3.6	24
R4.3.1.1	4.3.5	23
R4.3.1.2	4.3.5	23
R4.3.1.3	4.3.5	23
R4.3.2	4.3.6	24
R4.4	4.3.6	24
R4.4.1	4.3.6	24
R4.5	4.3.6	24
R5	4.3.6	24
R6	4.3.6	24
R7	6	27
R8	-	-
R8.1	-	-



## Appendix B. Planned Projects

Table B.1 – Planned facilities and changes to existing facilities

PC Participant	Project Name	Project Description	Project Need	Project Status	Expected In-Service Date
MID	Substation Battery Continuity Monitoring	Installation of open circuit monitoring equipment at MID's substations	To meet the TPL-001-5.1 P5 footnote 13. C. exception.	Approved	2025-2026
SMUD	El Rio Substation Conversion/Expansion	Converting and expanding SMUD's existing single bus, single breaker Elverta 230 kV substation to a breaker and a half scheme.	Not required for criteria violation. Approved to accommodate future renewable generation and load growth.	Approved	December 2026
	El Rio 224 MVA 230/69 kV Transformer	Adding a new 230/69 kV transformer bank to accommodate load growth.	Not required for criteria violation. For future load growth.	Approved	December 2026
	El Rio 250 MVA 230/115 kV Transformer	Replacing existing El Rio 230/115 kV transformer with a 250 MVA transformer.	Not required for criteria violation. For future load growth and to accommodate new generation.	Approved	December 2026
	Country Acres Generation	A new 344 MW Solar combined battery	Not required for criteria violation, was approved as	Approved	December 2026





PC Participant	Project Name	Project Description	Project Need	Project Status	Expected In-Service Date
		hybrid generation power plant	part of the SMUD 2030 Zero Carbon Plan.		
	Coyote Creek Generation	A new 250 MW Solar combined battery hybrid generation power plant and accompanying RAS	Not required for criteria violation, was approved as part of the SMUD 2030 Zero Carbon Plan.	Approved	Spring 2027
	Elverta-Station E Line Clearance Mitigation	Raise the Elverta-Station E 115 kV Line to restore the full cable ratings	Needed to mitigate a thermal overload on the 115 kV system identified in the 2023 TPL assessment as well as prepare for future generation.	Planned	Summer 2027
	Station J 115 kV Substation	A new 115 kV substation in SMUD's downtown area	Not required for criteria violation. For future load growth.	Approved	Summer 2028
	UC Davis Medical Center Expansion	Adding a new 115/21 kV transformer at East City to accommodate the UCD load growth	Not required for criteria violation. For future load growth.	Approved	2028-2035



## Appendix C. Steady State Analysis Results

Table C.1 – The 2027 1-in-10 peak load steady state results

Entity	NERC Category	Contingency	From	kV	To	kV	CK	Emergency % Loading	Mitigation
MID	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RDNG	Extreme	Keswick - Airport and Flanagan - Keswick and Keswick - Olinda and Keswick - O'Banion 230 kV line outage	KESWICK	115	EUREKA W	115	2	120.02	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.
			OREGON	115	WALDON	115	1	130.278	
			WALDON	115	MOORE	115	1	108.956	
			KESWICK	115	BELTLINE	115	1	106.209	
RE	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SMUD	P6	Cordova-White Rock 230 kV TL outage and Orangevale-White Rock 230 kV TL outage	CAMINO S	230	LAKE	230	#1	143.95	Operator intervention in accordance with OP-214 to prepare system for second outage. See OP-214 for details on action(s) taken.
		Station E-Station G #2 115 kV TL outage and Station B-Station D 115 kV TL outage (3LG fault at STB)	STA. E	115	STA. G	115	1	112.336	The new Station J substation going in service in 2028 alleviates these line loadings. Prior to this, operator intervention and load management in accordance with OP-207 will be used. See OP-207 for details on action(s) taken.
		Station E-Station G #1 115 kV TL outage and Station B-Station D 115 kV TL outage (3LG fault at STB)	STA. E	115	STA. G	115	2	112.338	The new Station J substation going in service in 2028 alleviates these line loadings. Prior to this, operator intervention and load management in accordance with OP-207 will be used. See OP-207 for details on action(s) taken.



	Extreme	Loss of all lines west of Rancho Seco 230 kV station	LAKE	230	CORDOVA	230	1	111.8	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.  *Note SMUD's Procter RAS and DLT scheme activated during this contingency. See OP-207 for details on these protection systems.
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	1	99.8	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	2	100.0	
		Rancho Seco 230 kV switching station outage	LAKE	230	CORDOVA	230	1	110.9	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.  *Note SMUD's Procter RAS and DLT scheme activated during this contingency. See OP-207 for details on these protection systems.
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	1	101.0	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	2	101.1	



Table C.2 – The 2027 off peak load steady state results

Entity	NERC Category	Contingency	From	kV	To	kV	CK	Emergency % Loading	Mitigation
MID	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RDNG	Extreme	Keswick - Airport and Flanagan - Keswick and Keswick - Olinda and Keswick - O'Banion 230 kV line outage	KESWICK	115	EUREKA W	115	2	146.946	Lines with exceptionally high loading were confirmed to not exceed 150% of their highest seasonal ratings, and thus the cascading test was not performed. No actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.
			EUREKA W	115	OREGON	115	1	107.24	
			OREGON	115	WALDON	115	1	168.38/143*	
			WALDON	115	MOORE	115	1	151.747/129*	
			KESWICK	115	BELTLINE	115	1	126.329	
			BELTLINE	115	COLLEGE V	115	1	107.221	
RE	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SMUD	P6	Cordova-White Rock 230 kV TL outage and Orangevale-White Rock 230 kV TL outage	CAMINO S	230	LAKE	230	#1	140.762	Operator intervention in accordance with OP-214 to prepare system for second outage. See OP-214 for details on action(s) taken.
	Extreme	Loss of all lines west of Folsom 230 kV station	HEDGE	230	CORDOVA	230	1	99.674	None required as emergency ratings were not exceeded. Recorded for informational purposes.

\*Highest seasonal rating loading %

Table C.3 – The 2030 1-in-10 peak load steady state results

Entity	NERC Category	Contingency	From	kV	To	kV	CK	Emergency % Loading	Mitigation
MID	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RDNG	Extreme	Keswick - Airport and Flanagan - Keswick and Keswick - Olinda and Keswick - O'Banion 230 kV line outage	KESWICK	115	EUREKA W	115	2	152.421*	Lines that exceeded 150% of their highest seasonal rating were tripped as part of BANC's cascading test and no case divergence occurred. No actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.
			EUREKA W	115	OREGON	115	1	109.861	
			OREGON	115	WALDON	115	1	170.045/144*	
			WALDON	115	MOORE	115	1	147.89	
			KESWICK	115	BELTLINE	115	1	127.468	
			BELTLINE	115	COLLEGE V	115	1	106.916	
RE	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SMUD	P6	Cordova-White Rock 230 kV TL outage and Orangevale-White Rock 230 kV TL outage	CAMINO S	230	LAKE	230	#1	142.177	Operator intervention in accordance with OP-214 to prepare system for second outage. See OP-214 for details on action(s) taken.
	Extreme	Loss of all lines south of Elk Grove 230 kV station - B	LAKE	230	COYOTEC REEK	230	1	132.9	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.
			COYOTECRE EK	230	CORDOVA	230	1	132.5	
			CORDOVA	230	HEDGE	230	1	103.8	
		Rancho Seco 230 kV switching station outage	LAKE	230	COYOTEC REEK	230	1	118.8	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce
			COYOTECRE EK	230	CORDOVA	230	1	118.5	



									<p>the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.</p> <p>*Note SMUD’s Procter RAS and DLT scheme activated during this contingency. See OP-207 for details on these protection systems.</p>
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\*Highest seasonal rating loading %

Table C.4 – The 2035 1-in-10 peak load steady state results

Entity	NERC Category	Contingency	From	kV	To	kV	CK	Emergency % Loading	Mitigation
MID	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RDNG	Extreme	Keswick - Airport and Flanagan - Keswick and Keswick - Olinda and Keswick - O'Banion 230 kV line outage	KESWICK	115	EUREKA W	115	2	120.097	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.
			OREGON	115	WALDON	115	1	129.554	
			WALDON	115	MOORE	115	1	107.17	
			KESWICK	115	BELTLINE	115	1	100.157	
RE	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SMUD	P6	Cordova-White Rock 230 kV TL outage and Orangevale-White Rock 230 kV TL outage	CAMINO S	230	LAKE	230	#1	142.137	Operator intervention in accordance with OP-214 to prepare system for second outage. See OP-214 for details on action(s) taken.
	Extreme	Loss of all lines south of Elk Grove 230 kV station - B	LAKE	230	COYOTECRE EK	230	1	151.4/91*	Lines with exceptionally high loading were confirmed to not exceed 150% of their highest seasonal ratings, and thus the cascading test was not performed. No actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.  *Note SMUD's Procter RAS and DLT scheme activated during this contingency. See OP-207 for details on these protection systems.
			COYOTECRE EK	230	CORDOVA	230	1	151.1/91*	
			CORDOVA	230	HEDGE	230	1	104.3	
		Rancho Seco 230 kV switching station outage	FOLSOM	230	LAKE	230	1	113.7	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.
			LAKE	230	COYOTECRE EK	230	1	134.4	
			COYOTECRE EK	230	CORDOVA	230	1	134.2	



									*Note SMUD's Procter RAS and DLT scheme activated during this contingency. See OP-207 for details on these protection systems.
		Loss of all lines west of Rancho Seco 230 kV station	LAKE	230	COYOTECRE EK	230	1	142.0	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event were created.  *Note SMUD's Procter RAS and DLT scheme activated during this contingency. See OP-207 for details on these protection systems.
			COYOTECRE EK	230	CORDOVA	230	1	141.8	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	1	105.7	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	2	105.8	

\*Highest seasonal rating loading %





## Appendix D. Steady State Sensitivity Analysis Results

Table D.1 – The 2027 1-in-10 peak load +5% steady state sensitivity results.

Entity	NERC Category	Contingency	From	kV	To	kV	CK	Emergency % Loading	Mitigation
MID	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RDNG	Extreme	Keswick - Airport and Flanagan - Keswick and Keswick - Olinda and Keswick - O'Banion 230 kV line outage	KESWICK	115	EUREKA W	115	2	120.5062	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.
			OREGON	115	WALDON	115	1	129.8223	
			WALDON	115	MOORE	115	1	107.3793	
			KESWICK	115	BELTLINE	115	1	105.7968	
RE	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SMUD	P6	Cordova-White Rock 230 kV TL outage and Orangevale-White Rock 230 kV TL outage	CAMINO S	230	LAKE	230	#1	144.2404	Operator intervention in accordance with OP-214 to prepare system for second outage. See OP-214 for details on action(s) taken.
		Station E-Station G #2 115 kV TL outage and Station B-Station D 115 kV TL outage (3LG fault at STB)	STA. E	115	STA. G	115	1	118.5031	The new Station J substation going in service in 2028 alleviates these line loadings. Prior to this, operator intervention and load management in accordance with OP-207 will be used. See OP-207 for details on action(s) taken.
		Station E-Station G #1 115 kV TL outage and Station B-Station D 115 kV TL outage (3LG fault at STB)	STA. E	115	STA. G	115	2	118.507	The new Station J substation going in service in 2028 alleviates these line loadings. Prior to this, operator intervention and load management in accordance with OP-207 will be used. See OP-207 for details on action(s) taken.



	Extreme	Loss of all lines west of Rancho Seco 230 kV station	LAKE	230	CORDOVA	230	1	128.5	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.  *Note SMUD's Procter RAS and UVDLT scheme activated during this contingency. See OP-207 for details on these protection systems.
			CORDOVA	230	HEDGE	230	1	107.3	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	1	113.4	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	2	113.6	
		Rancho Seco 230 kV switching station outage	LAKE	230	CORDOVA	230	1	123.0	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.  *Note SMUD's Procter RAS and UVDLT scheme activated during this contingency. See OP-207 for details on these protection systems.
			CORDOVA	230	HEDGE	230	1	103.7	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	1	111.1	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	2	111.2	



Table D.2 – The 2027 off peak load steady state sensitivity results.

Entity	NERC Category	Contingency	From	kV	To	kV	CK	Emergency % Loading	Mitigation
MID	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RDNG	Extreme	Keswick - Airport and Flanagan - Keswick and Keswick - Olinda and Keswick - O'Banion 230 kV line outage	KESWICK	115	EUREKA W	115	2	154.887*	Lines that exceeded 150% of their highest seasonal rating were tripped as part of BANC's cascading test and no case divergence occurred. No actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.
			EUREKA W	115	OREGON	115	1	113.201	
			OREGON	115	WALDON	115	1	177.995/151*	
			WALDON	115	MOORE	115	1	160.916/136.5*	
			KESWICK	115	BELTLINE	115	1	120.617	
			BELTLINE	115	COLLEGE V	115	1	102.17	
RE	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SMUD	P6	Cordova-White Rock 230 kV TL outage and Orangevale-White Rock 230 kV TL outage	CAMINO S	230	LAKE	230	#1	141.0977	Operator intervention in accordance with OP-214 to prepare system for second outage. See OP-214 for details on action(s) taken.
	Extreme	Loss of all lines west of Folsom 230 kV station	HEDGE	230	CORDOVA	230	1	106.1902	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.

\*Highest seasonal rating loading %

Table D.3 – The 2030 1-in-10 +5% peak load steady state sensitivity results.

Entity	NERC Category	Contingency	From	kV	To	kV	CK	Emergency % Loading	Mitigation
MID	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RDNG	Extreme	Keswick - Airport and Flanagan - Keswick and Keswick - Olinda and Keswick - O'Banion 230 kV line outage	KESWICK	115	EUREKA W	115	2	152.9856*	Lines that exceeded 150% of their highest seasonal rating were tripped as part of BANC's cascading test and no case divergence occurred. No actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.
			EUREKA W	115	OREGON	115	1	109.9574	
			OREGON	115	WALDON	115	1	169.6362/144*	
			WALDON	115	MOORE	115	1	146.2972	
			KESWICK	115	BELTLINE	115	1	127.0979	
			BELTLINE	115	COLLEGE V	115	1	106.3104	
RE	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SMUD	P6	Cordova-White Rock 230 kV TL outage and Orangevale-White Rock 230 kV TL outage	CAMINO S	230	LAKE	230	#1	142.6276	Operator intervention in accordance with OP-214 to prepare system for second outage. See OP-214 for details on action(s) taken.
	Extreme	Loss of all lines south of Elk Grove 230 kV station - B	LAKE	230	COYOTEC REEK	230	1	111.9	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.
			COYOTECRE EK	230	CORDOVA	230	1	111.5	
		Loss of all lines west of Rancho Seco 230 kV station	LAKE	230	COYOTEC REEK	230	1	137.3	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no



			COYOTECRE EK	230	CORDOVA	230	1	137.1	actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.  *Note SMUD's Procter RAS, and UVDLT scheme activated during this contingency. See OP-207 for details on these protection systems.
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	1	101.9	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	2	102.1	
		Rancho Seco 230 kV switching station outage	LAKE	230	COYOTEC REEK	230	1	132.5	Extreme contingency did not identify cascading, so no actions are required to reduce the likelihood or mitigate the consequences of the event.  *Note SMUD's Procter RAS and DLT scheme activated during this contingency. See OP-207 for details on these protection systems.
			COYOTECRE EK	230	CORDOVA	230	1	132.3	
			CORDOVA	230	HEDGE	230	1	103.4	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	1	100.1	
			STA. E	115	STA. B	115	2	100.3	

\*Highest seasonal rating loading %



## Appendix E. Spare Equipment Unavailability Analysis

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Table E.1 – Redding GSU Transformer Spare Equipment Unavailability Analysis

NERC Category	Contingency	From	kV	To	kV	CK	Emergency % Loading	Mitigation
-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



Table E.2 – Redding Airport Transformer Spare Equipment Unavailability Analysis

NERC Category	Contingency	From	kV	To	kV	CK	Emergency % Loading	Mitigation
-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



Appendix F: Known Outage Analysis

Table F.1 – Known Outage Analysis

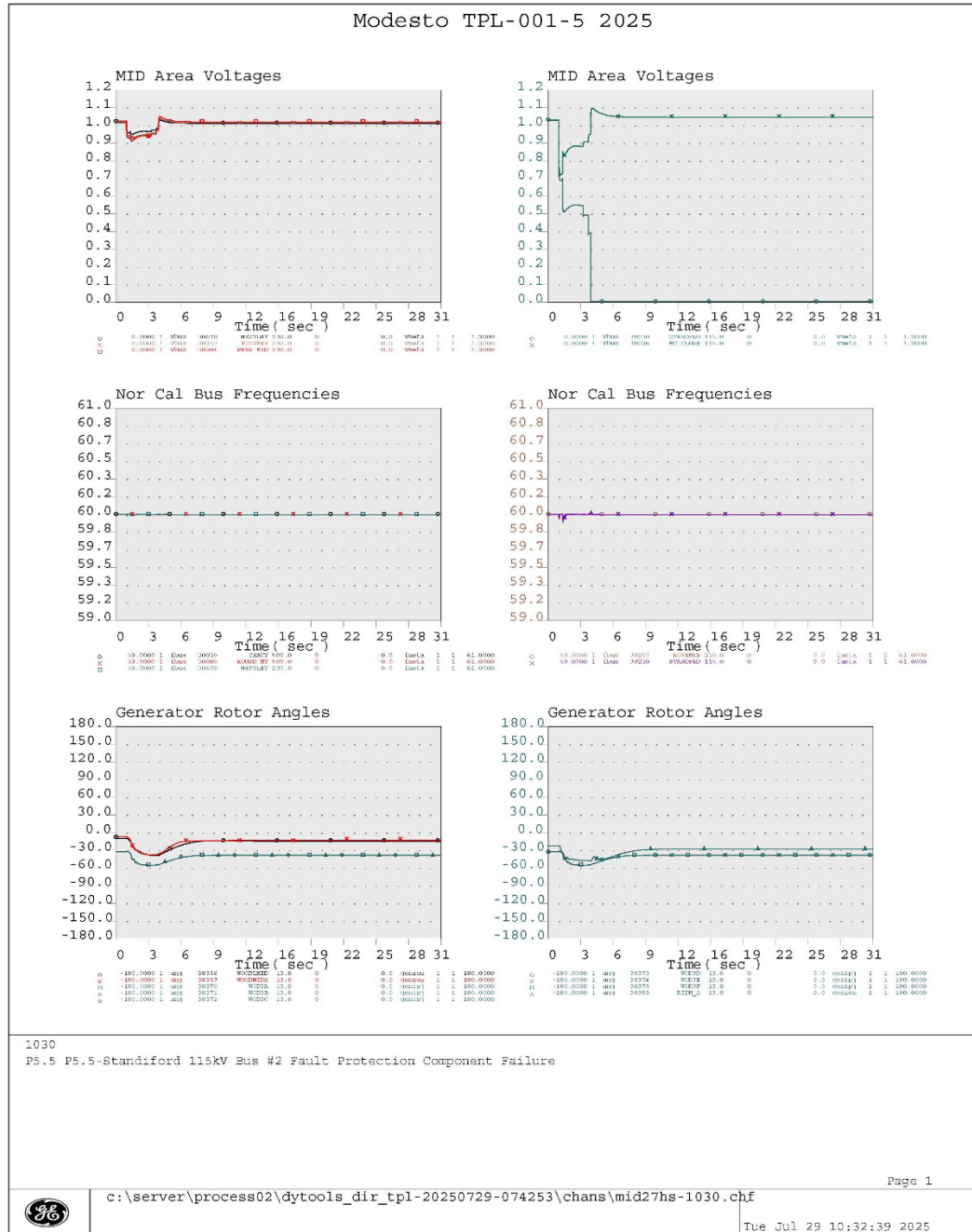
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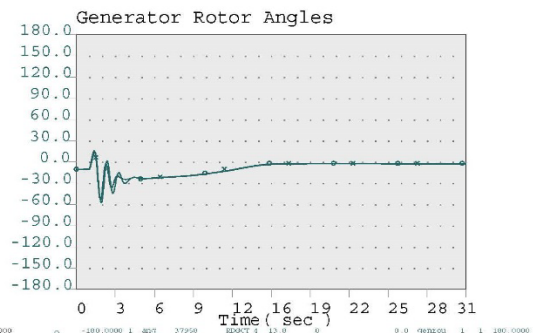
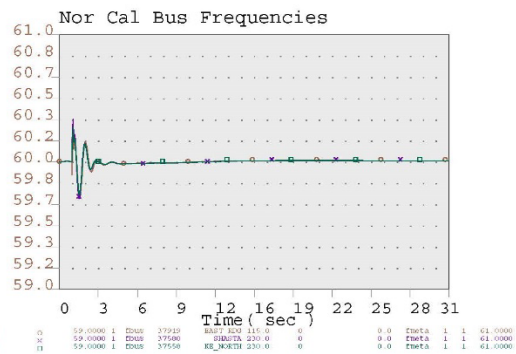
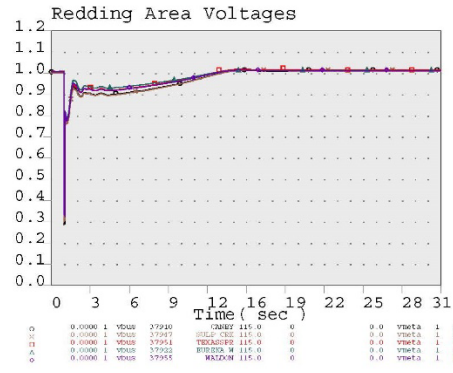


## Appendix G. Sample Transient Stability Plots

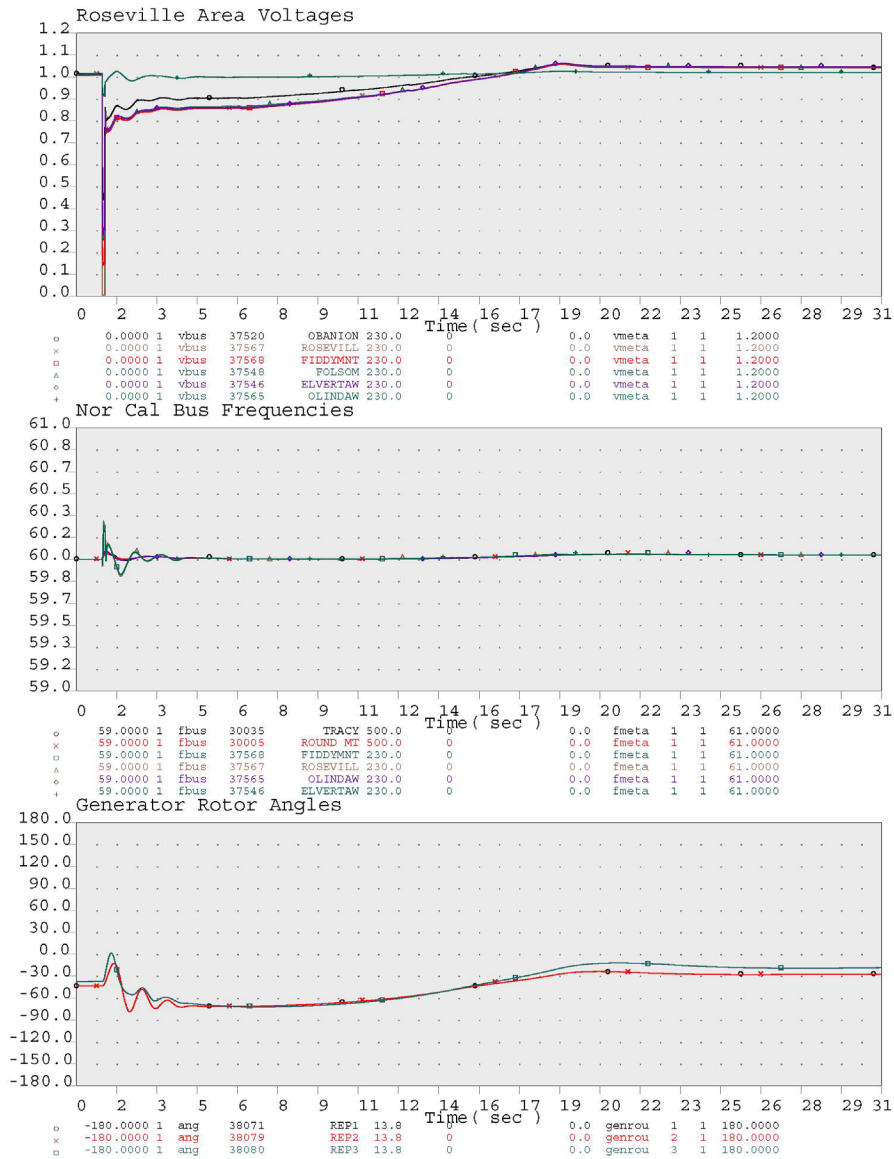
Sample plots for each PC Participant are shown below. Where possible, more extreme responses were shown.



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Cottonwood (Main bus) 230 kV bus fault (1LG fault)



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P6 Cottonwood - Roseville 230kV TL outage and Roseville #1 230/60 kV T  
outage (3LG fault on high side)

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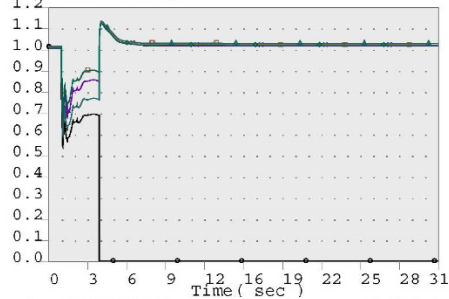
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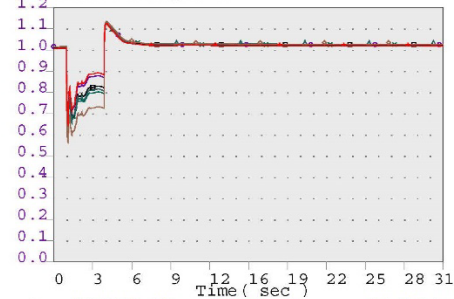


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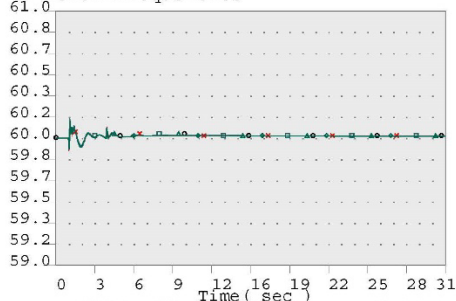
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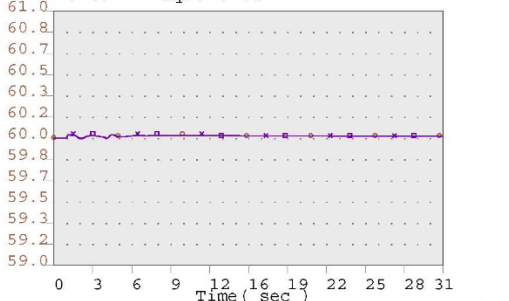
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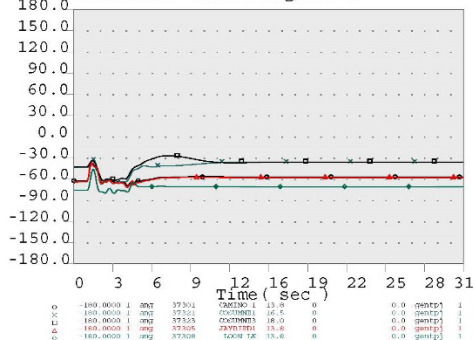
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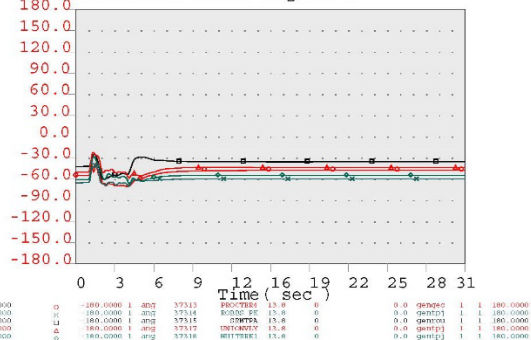
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## Appendix H. Short Circuit Results

Table H.1 – List of Short Circuit elements that exceed 80% duty.

PC Participant	Element	Fault Type	Year	Facility Rating (A)	Duty (A)	Duty (%)
SMUD	Rancho Seco CB 220	2LG	2030	40,000	32,980	82.4
	Rancho Seco CB 230	2LG	2030	40,000	33,340	83.3
	Rancho Seco CB 320	3LG	2030	40,000	34,088	85.2
	Rancho Seco CB 330	3LG	2030	40,000	34,088	85.2
MID	Westley CB 2354	3Ø	2026/ 2030	40,000	38,884/ 39,477	97.21/ 98.69
	Westley CB 2355	3Ø	2026/ 2030	40,000	38,884/ 39,477	97.21/ 98.69
	Westley CB 2356	3Ø	2026/ 2030	40,000	38,884/ 39,477	97.21/ 98.69
RDNG	None					
RE	None					



## Appendix I. Version History

Version	Change(s)	By	Date
1.0	Initial draft	Ryan Price	10/03/2025
1.1	PC Participant Comments incorporated	Ryan Price	11/3/2025



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**Balancing Authority of Northern California  
Resolution 25-11-01**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF BANC PLANNING COORDINATOR AREA  
2025 TRANSMISSION PLANNING ASSESSMENT**

WHEREAS, the Balancing Authority of Northern California ("BANC") was created by a Joint Powers Agreement ("JPA") to, among other things, acquire, construct, maintain, operate, and finance Projects; and

WHEREAS, BANC is the NERC Planning Coordinator ("PC") for four of its members, including the Sacramento Municipal Utility District ("SMUD"), Modesto Irrigation District ("MID"), Redding Electric Utility ("REU"), and Roseville Electric; and

WHEREAS, BANC must demonstrate compliance with certain PC-related NERC reliability standards, including TPL-001-5.1; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet this standard, SMUD, as the PC Services Provider, produced the BANC PC Area 2025 Transmission Planning Assessment ("Assessment"), in which the performance of the BANC PC area was assessed in order to demonstrate that its portion of the Bulk Electric System meets all of the performance requirements specified in the above-mentioned standard for the years 2026 through 2035; and

WHEREAS, the Assessment concludes that no new system deficiencies or criteria violations were identified for the MID and Roseville Electric portions of the BES, and that, while the REU and SMUD portions of the BES had performance deficiencies following extreme events, SMUD has previously identified performance deficiencies that either have documented operator actions or existing automatic RAS actions that address the issues, so no corrective active plans were developed per this assessment; and

WHEREAS, each PC Committee member concurred with the Assessment on or before October 10<sup>th</sup>.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California hereby acknowledge and accept the Assessment.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025, by the following vote:

		Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Modesto ID	Martin Caballero				
City of Redding	Joe Bowers				
City of Roseville	Shawn Matchim				
City of Shasta Lake	James Takehara				
SMUD	Paul Lau				
TPUD	Paul Hauser				

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Shawn Matchim  
Chair

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Attest by: C. Anthony Braun  
Secretary



## Balancing Authority of Northern California

### Agenda Item 5B

1. **Resolution 25-11-02 *Resolution Setting the Regular Meeting Dates for 2026.***
2. **Attachment A to Resolution 25-11-02: *Time and Place of Regular Meetings for 2026.***

**Balancing Authority of Northern California  
Resolution 25-11-02**

**RESOLUTION SETTING THE REGULAR MEETING DATES FOR 2026**

WHEREAS, the Balancing Authority of Northern California ("BANC") was created by a Joint Powers Agreement ("JPA") to, among other things, acquire, construct, maintain, operate, and finance Projects; and

WHEREAS, JPA Section 11.2 provides that the BANC Commission may provide for the holding of regular meetings at intervals more frequently than annually; and

WHEREAS, JPA Section 11.2 requires that the date, hour, and place of each regular meeting shall be fixed by resolution of the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California hereby approve the 2026 Regular Meeting Schedule, attached hereto as Attachment A.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025, by the following vote:

		Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Modesto ID	Martin Caballero				
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Attest by: C. Anthony Braun  
Secretary

**Time and Place of Regular Meetings for 2026**

Unless shown otherwise, the Regular Commission meetings shall occur on the fourth Wednesday of each month, at 2:00 p.m.

As shall be specified in a notice issued pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act of the California Government Code, the meetings listed below will be held in Sacramento, California at 2600 Capitol Avenue. Room location to be provided on posted agenda.

1. January 28
2. March 18
3. April 22
4. May 27
5. June 24
6. July 22
7. August 26
8. September 30
9. October 28
10. December 16

The meetings on the dates listed below will be held in Gold River, California at 2377 Gold Meadow Way. Room location to be provided on posted agenda.

1. February 18
2. November 18

The Commission Secretary shall have discretion to adjourn and to modify time and location of Commission meetings consistent with posting requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act of the California Government Code.

## Balancing Authority of Northern California

### Agenda Item 5C

1. ***Resolution 25-11-03 Authorization of Amendment to Extend Utilicast Contract for Services Related to EDAM Implementation Support.***

# Braun Blaising & Wynne, P.C.

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Attorneys at Law

11/12/25

**To: BANC Commission**

**From: BANC Counsel**

**RE: Authorization of Amendment to Utilicast Contract for Extension of Services  
Related to EDAM Implementation Support**

Consistent with BANC's approval of the 2026 budget and with the implementation delay of the CAISO's Extended Day Ahead Market (EDAM) to Fall of 2027, Utilicast has provided an updated proposal for EDAM Implementation Support, which is included as an attachment to the resolution. BANC previously contacted with Utilicast for this work. However, as a result of these changes and a better understanding of EDAM requirements, BANC requested specialized subject matter expert (SME) support in the area of EDAM Transmission Operations.

The total cost estimate for the revised proposal is \$1,436,845, which assumes support of the requested Transmission Engineering SME through December of 2026 and support by Utilicast for EDAM Implementation through December of 2027. This is an overall increase of \$355,645. This effort is currently included as part of the overall EDAM Implementation budget, is included in the PA-8: EDAM Implementation in the BANC 2026 Budget, and will be included in the 2027 PA-8 budget.

Staff is requesting that the Commission authorize the General Manager to execute an amendment to the existing Utilicast contract that will allow this work to proceed in accordance with the attached resolution.

**Balancing Authority of Northern California  
Resolution 25-11-03**

**AUTHORIZATION OF AMENDMENT TO EXTEND UTILICAST CONTRACT FOR SERVICES  
RELATED TO EDAM IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT**

WHEREAS, the Balancing Authority of Northern California ("BANC") was created by a Joint Powers Agreement ("JPA") to, among other things, acquire, construct, maintain, operate, and finance Projects; and

WHEREAS, BANC previously entered into a contract with Utilicast to, among other things, assist certain BANC members and the Western Area Power Administration – Sierra Nevada Region with implementation of the California Independent System Operator ("CAISO") Energy Imbalance Market ("EIM"); and

WHEREAS, the Commission previously approved extensions of the Utilicast contract through June 30, 2023 to ensure ongoing support to BANC and EIM Participants through a Gap Analysis of CAISO's Extended Day Ahead Market ("EDAM"); and

WHEREAS, in 2023, the Commission authorized BANC to take all steps in furtherance of participation in EDAM; and

WHEREAS, additional tasks have been added to the Utilicast contract, including EDAM Implementation Support; and

WHEREAS, the implementation date for EDAM has been extended to Fall of 2027; and

WHEREAS, this extension of the timeline, along with a more developed understanding of the requirements of EDAM have necessitated revisions to Utilicast's services under the EDAM Implementation Support task, including specialized Subject Matter Expert ("SME") support in the area of EDAM Transmission Operations to replace more general as-needed SME support; and

WHEREAS, the addition of these services and other changes, including a revised budget necessitated by the implementation date change are accommodated in the current 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager's delegated contracting authority is limited to \$250,000;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California hereby authorize the General Manager to enter into an amended contract with Utilicast to include the changes addressed in the proposal letter attached hereto, including the addition of Transmission Operations Engineer SME support in an amount not to exceed \$194,995 through December 31, 2026 and the extension of EDAM Implementation Support through December 31, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$1,241,850, for a total amount of \$1,436,845.

**Balancing Authority of Northern California  
Resolution 25-11-03**

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California  
this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025, by the following vote:

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Attest by: C. Anthony Braun  
Secretary



September 30, 2025

Jim Shetler  
General Manager  
Balancing Authority of Northern California  
P.O. Box 15830 / MS D109  
Sacramento, CA 95852-1830

Dear Jim:

I understand that the BANC requires an extension of the EDAM Program Management and Subject Matter Expertise support for its planned integration into the CAISO Extended Day Ahead Market (EDAM). Additionally, BANC is seeking additional, specialized Subject Matter Expert support for the EDAM Transmission Operations business area. As a follow-up to that discussion, this letter details Utilicast's intent to provide this additional requested support. This Agreement is intended to describe the increased scope of work Utilicast will provide to the BANC, and the fees associated with that new scope and duration. If the scope, duration, and cost components of this letter are agreeable, Utilicast proposes amending the existing Consulting Services Agreement (CSA) to extend the end date and provide for these services.

**Scope of Work and Duration Updates Proposed:** Utilicast proposes to make the following updates to the four phases in our existing agreement's Task 11; additionally, Utilicast proposes to define a new scope of work (new Task 13) for provision of a Transmission Operations Subject Matter Expert. Finally, Utilicast proposes to eliminate the scope set aside for "As-needed" Subject Matter Support.

**Phase 1 – BANC EDAM Advisory Support:** Extend the end date of Phase 1 to 12/31/2025. This adds 18 weeks of duration at an estimated 15 hours per week. (Add 270 hours)

**Phase 2 – BANC EDAM Pre-Implementation Support:** Delay the start of Phase 2 to 1/1/2026; and extend the end date to 9/30/2026. This increases the duration of this phase by 2 months. (Add 440 hours.)

**Phase 3 – BANC EDAM Implementation Support:** Unchanged - remains 1-year. (No hours change)

**Phase 4 – BANC EDAM Post-go-live Support:** Unchanged - remains 2 months. (No hours change)

**New: EDAM Transmission Engineer Subject Matter Expert Support:** Add the following EDAM Transmission Engineer scope:

- EDAM Entity software design input and review. Particularly for EDAM Transmission contributions, limits, and capacity integration with CAISO systems.
- EDAM Entity and SC Transmission/Transfer resource registration input and support.



- EDAM Entity software testing approach input and support. Particularly for EDAM Transmission contributions, limits, and capacity integration with CAISO systems.
- Support coordination and integrations with Turlock Irrigation District (TID) EDAM Implementation Program and technologies.

**Remove: As-needed Subject Matter Expert Support:** This support is replaced with the Transmission Engineer SME role above.

**Updated Statement of Work Cost Estimate:** The cost estimate for the updated scope of work described above is presented in the table below. The estimated cost is for budgetary purposes. The BANC will only pay for time expended.

Task	Start	End	Total Hours	Rate	Total \$
<b>Phase 1 – BANC EDAM Advisory Support</b>	1/1/2024	12/31/2025	1,120	\$255/hr.	\$285,600.00
<b>Phase 2 – BANC EDAM Pre-Implementation Support</b>	1/1/2026	9/30/2026	1,520	\$255/hr.	\$387,600.00
<b>Phase 3 – BANC EDAM Implementation Support</b>	10/1/2026	10/1/2027	1,880	\$255/hr.	\$479,400.00
<b>Phase 4 – BANC EDAM Post-go live Support</b>	10/2/2027	12/31/2027	350	\$255/hr.	\$89,250.00
<b>NEW: Trans Ops Engineer SME</b>	1/1/2026	12/31/2026	661	\$295/hr.	\$194,995.00
<del>REMOVE: As-needed Subject Matter Expert Support</del>	<del>1/1/2024</del>	<del>5/31/2026</del>	<del>80</del>	<del>\$255/hr.</del>	<del>\$0.00</del>
<b>Proposal Total</b>			<b>5,531</b>		<b>\$1,436,845.00</b>

**Travel Expenses:** Travel expenses are anticipated to be minimal for this Statement of Work. Travel expenses will be reimbursed as:

- Travel Expenses – When traveling within the BANC region, reimbursement at cost for lodging and mileage at the current federal mileage rate at the time of travel. If travel to/from outside the BANC region is required, reimbursement at cost of actual coach class air travel, lodging, ground transportation (rental car, cab, Uber, mileage) and parking.
- Meals & Incidentals – When traveling at BANC’s request, Consultant resources will be reimbursed the current US General Services Administration (GSA) Per Diem rate for Meals and Incidentals for the city in which work is performed. This is anticipated to be primarily Redding, CA and Modesto, CA, but could include other locations.
- Receipts – Receipts will be provided for expenses over \$25 except for mileage and the Meals & Incidentals Per Diem, which will be at the current rates described above in lieu of receipts.

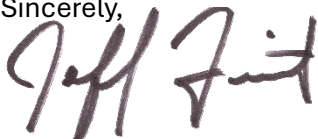
**Assumptions:** This scope and cost estimate of this proposal is based on the following assumptions:

- The BANC EDAM Implementation project is a priority for BANC. The leadership team and BANC Participants will provide resources and support to the project as needed to ensure its success and will empower and delegate appropriate authority to the BANC and Consultant project leads be able to assign work, direct resources, and make daily project decisions.

- BANC EDAM Implementation will be a single-phase implementation of all of BANC's current EIM Participants: SMUD, WAPA-SNR, Roseville, Redding, and Modesto.
- Consultant will assist in the definition and design of interfaces, but BANC EDAM Participants will develop interfaces to integrate legacy systems with the EDAM systems. Consultant can provide development services if needed, but costs for this support are not included in this Scope of Work.
- BANC EDAM Participants have internal Training and Organizational Change Management (OCM) teams which will manage knowledge transfer long term. Consultant will provide support for training content and has included a limited amount of OCM support. Consultant can provide additional support if needed, but the costs for this support are not included in this Scope of Work.
- BANC General Manager, BANC EDAM Participant staff will provide timely reviews of Consultant work products so as not to hinder project timelines.
- BANC EDAM Participants will provide an appropriate workspace and access for Consultant(s) when working onsite. This includes a desk, chair, phone, and internet. Additionally, unescorted badge access, extended hours / 24-hour access, CIP access when appropriate, and corporate network access for SharePoint, email, conference room reservation, etc. will be provided. Consultant will complete training, background checks, execute Non-Disclosure Agreements, or other use agreements, as requested, to obtain this access and agrees to comply with BANC Member and WAPA-SNR policies and procedures.
- Consultant assumes BANC EDAM Participants will assign capable Project Manager(s) to support Consultant and Consultant shall ensure BANC Project Manager(s) are kept apprised of the ongoing schedule and timelines.
- BANC EDAM Participant Project Managers will be responsible for managing and assuring timely execution/delivery of EDAM Implementation project deliverables for their companies.
- Consultant assumes BANC EDAM Participants will provide most of the implementation staffing and additional subject matter expertise for the EDAM Implementation and ongoing operations.
- Consultant can provide additional subject matter expertise support in a variety of functional and technical areas, if needed, but only a minimal placeholder budget for those costs are included in this Scope of Work.

We really appreciate the BANC and your consideration of Utilicast for this work extension. We highly value our relationship with the BANC and appreciate your validation of that relationship through this request.

Sincerely,



Jeff Fruit

*Client Manager, Senior Consultant*  
*Utilicast LLC*

## Balancing Authority of Northern California

### Agenda Item 5C

1. **Resolution 24-11-04 *Approval of BANC Internal Compliance Program Charter – 2025 Updates.***
2. **Attachment A to Resolution 24-11-04: BANC Internal Compliance Program Charter, Version 10.0.**
3. **BANC Member Compliance Review Committee Charter, Version 10.0.**

# Braun Blaising & Wynne, P.C.

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Attorneys at Law

11/13/25

**To: BANC Commission**  
**From: BANC Counsel**  
**RE: Approval of BANC Internal Compliance Program Charter**

The Compliance Officer is seeking Commission approval of the revisions made to the Balancing Authority of Northern California (“BANC”) Internal Compliance Program (“ICP”) Charter (“ICPC”). The prior review and revision, Version 9, occurred in November of 2024. ICPC Version 10 is being provided to the Commission for review and approval.

## Background

The BANC ICP is comprised of both policy-level and program-level components. The document before the Commission is the ICPC, which outlines the policy-level component of the ICP. The ICPC provides the overall policy framework for the ICP. Commission consideration and approval of the ICPC helps demonstrate an active oversight of the ICP.

The ICP implementation details are outlined in separate program-level documents, including the Member Compliance Review Committee (“MCRC”) Charter, found in Appendix A of the ICPC, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (“NERC”) Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program Implementation Plan (“CMEP-IP”), and a detailed compliance program components document, which serves as the manual for the ongoing day-to-day processes and procedures related to implementing and managing the ICP. These program-level working documents, while entirely consistent with ICPC policies, are not separately approved by the Commission.

## Summary of ICPC Changes

The ICPC changes are undertaken annually as part of an annual documents review that was originally recommended by Sacramento Municipal Utility District’s (“SMUD”) Internal Audit Services (“IAS”) team. Regular audits of the compliance program are conducted by IAS, and WECC conducts triennial audits as a part of its CMEP activities. Regular updates of compliance documents are an important part of the preparation for these activities.

In this review cycle, minor ICPC updates and administrative changes were made, including:

- Updates to conform with changes made to the NERC Rules of Procedure, WECC's CMEP-IP and/or other Compliance Enforcement Authority guidance, including:
  - Updates to verbiage, such as 'potential violation' (replaced by 'potential noncompliance') throughout
  - Removal of 'Balancing Authority Area' definition, as it is already defined in the NERC Glossary of Terms
  - Revision to the list of monitoring methods utilized by a Compliance Enforcement Authority to align with the NERC Rules of Procedure
  - Modifications to footnotes to ensure the correct document sections are referenced
  - Updates to hyperlinks to match updates made to regulators' websites
- Minor, non-substantive formatting updates, including updates to version number & update date throughout

Conforming changes were also made to the MCRC Charter (Appendix A to the BANC Internal Compliance Program Charter), and a copy is being provided for your information:

- Minor, non-substantive verbiage updates to provide clarification
- Updates to version number & update date throughout

### Conclusion

The ICPC has been reviewed and accepted by the MCRC, which includes representatives from each of the BANC member organizations and the Western Area Power Administration – Sierra Nevada Region. We are seeking Commission approval of these changes. A clean approval draft of Version 10 of the ICPC has been included as Attachment A to Resolution 25-11-04 *Approval of BANC Internal Compliance Program Charter – 2025 Updates*.

**Balancing Authority of Northern California  
Resolution 25-11-04**

**Approval of BANC Internal Compliance Program Charter – 2025 Updates**

WHEREAS, the Balancing Authority of Northern California (“BANC”) maintains an Internal Compliance Program (“ICP”) to ensure compliance with North American Electric Reliability Corporation (“NERC”) Reliability Standards (“Standards”); and

WHEREAS, the Commission has adopted the BANC ICP Charter (“ICPC”) to establish its policies relating to the ICP; and

WHEREAS, the Compliance Officer, in consultation with the Member Compliance Review Committee (“MCRC”), periodically reviews and proposes revisions to the ICPC to ensure the ICP is aligned with changes and/or revisions to Standards and/or changes in BANC’s obligations thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Compliance Officer has proposed revisions to the ICPC, referred to as ICPC Version 10, primarily to address administrative updates and ensure alignment with other NERC and WECC documentation; and

WHEREAS, the MCRC has reviewed and has concurred with the proposed ICPC revisions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California hereby acknowledge and approve the ICPC, attached hereto as Attachment A.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025, by the following vote:

		Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Modesto ID	Martin Caballero				
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Chair

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Attest by: C. Anthony Braun  
Secretary

# **BALANCING AUTHORITY OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**

## **Internal Compliance Program Charter**

### **Version 10.0**

#### **BANC Members:**

Modesto Irrigation District (MID)  
City of Redding (REU)  
City of Roseville  
City of Shasta Lake  
Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD)  
Trinity Public Utilities District (TPUD)

# Internal Compliance Program Charter

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## Section 1. Overview

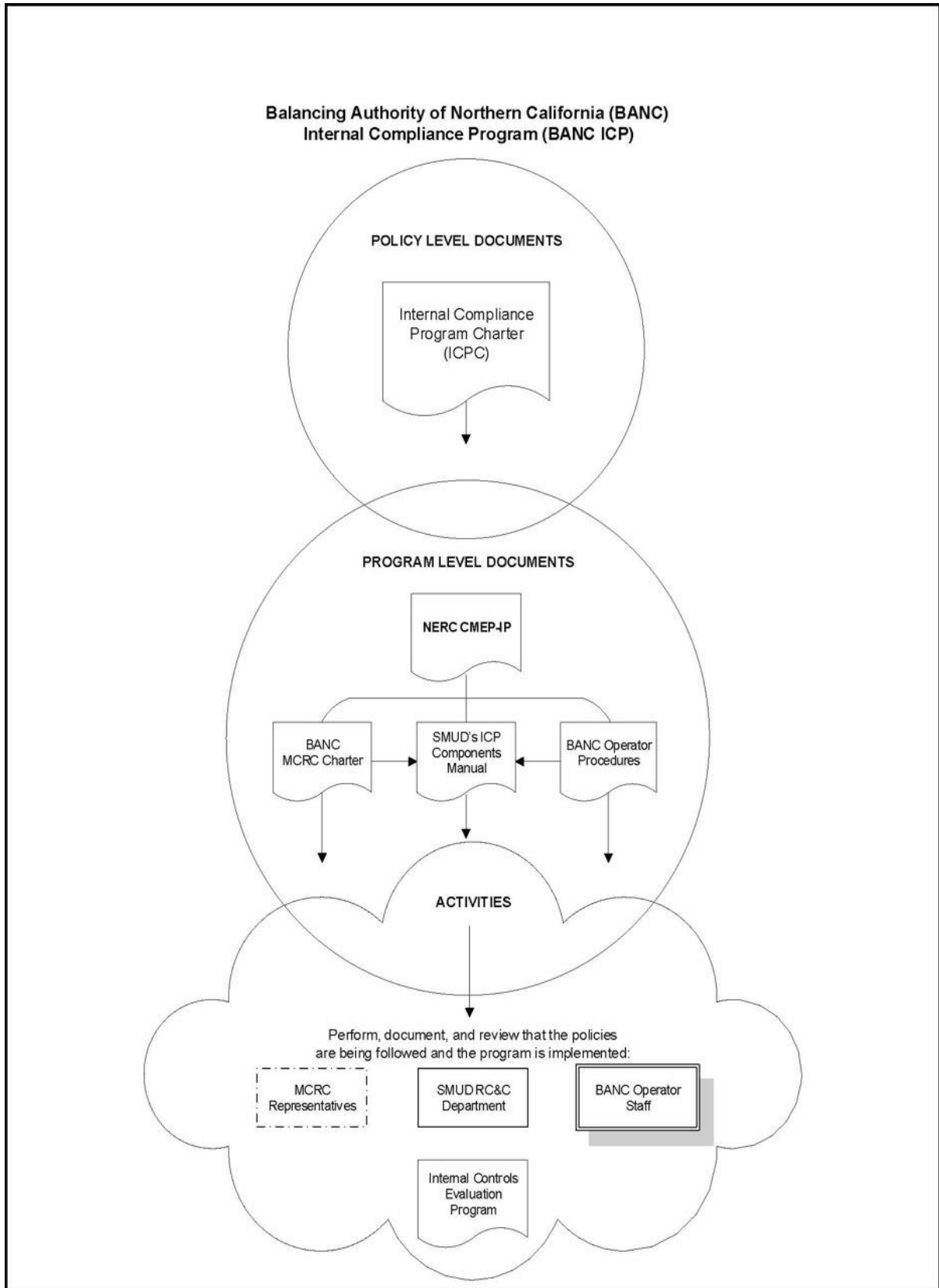
The Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC) Internal Compliance Program (ICP) is comprised of two types of component documents: (1) policy-level; and (2) program-level. This document outlines the first, policy-level component of the ICP, referred to as the “Internal Compliance Program Charter” (ICPC). Developed by the Compliance Officer and approved by the BANC Commission, the ICPC provides the overall policy framework for the ICP. The ICP implementation details are outlined in separate program-level documents, including: the BANC Member Compliance Review Committee (MCRC) Charter, found in Appendix A; the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program Implementation Plan (CMEP-IP); the SMUD Internal Controls Evaluation Program (ICE Program); and the SMUD Reliability Internal Compliance Program Components Manual.

The ICPC has been reviewed by the MCRC and provided to Compliance Staff and Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) responsible for maintaining compliance with the NERC Reliability Standards requirements and the mandatory Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) Regional Reliability Standards (NERC/WECC collectively, “Reliability Standards”) requirements applicable to the functions for which BANC is registered. Diagram 1, below, shows the general framework of the ICP.

The goal of the ICP is to actively support a culture that continuously promotes and fosters a reliable and efficient Bulk Electric System (BES) by striving for operational excellence, including the incorporation of best-practices, principles, and processes that support Reliability Standards compliance. This ICPC establishes the framework for the plans, policies, procedures, systems, roles and responsibilities to monitor, assess, and ensure compliance with all applicable Reliability Standards and associated rules, orders, and regulations.

Compliance is accomplished through committed leadership, clear communication channels, training, individual performance and accountability, and a commitment to continuous improvement through monitoring activities, measuring, reporting, reviewing root causes, prevention, risk assessments, and responding to compliance and reliability issues.

**Diagram 1: BANC ICP Framework**



The ICP comprises six elements:

1. A Commission, comprised of an executive from each BANC Member (Member) agency, which is responsible for directing the program to meet the Reliability Standards applicable to BANC in its capacity as a NERC-registered Balancing Authority (BA) and Planning Coordinator (PC).
2. An independent Compliance Officer (CO), appointed by the Commission and responsible for reviewing compliance processes and plans, investigating potential noncompliances with applicable Reliability Standards, self-reporting potential noncompliances with those standards, directing the overall program goals, and providing periodic briefings and updates to the Commission, MCRC, and BANC management.
3. A Member Compliance Review Committee (MCRC), comprised of representatives from each Member and a participant from the Western Area Power Administration -- Sierra Nevada Region (WASN), that is responsible for consulting with the CO with respect to compliance with applicable Reliability Standards.
4. The BANC Operator, who employs the SMEs responsible for meeting, maintaining, and providing the relevant documentation and technical expertise required to demonstrate compliance with all applicable Reliability Standards and who supports the compliance efforts of the CO and the MCRC.
5. BANC Counsel that provides legal support to the ICP.
6. A General Manager who implements the directives of the Commission and supports the ICP.

## **Section 2. Definitions and Terms**

Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms when used with initial capitalization, whether singular or plural, shall have the meaning set forth in the FERC-approved Glossary of Terms used in NERC Reliability Standards, the NERC Rules of Procedure, or the WECC/NERC Delegation Agreement, including the WECC Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP).

- 2.1 “BA/PC Compliance List” shall mean the informational list of Reliability Standards applicable to BANC in its capacity as a NERC-registered Balancing Authority and Planning Coordinator maintained by Compliance Staff and made available to Members from time to time.
- 2.2 “Balancing Authority” or “BA” shall be defined by the prevailing FERC-approved definition of the term as published in the NERC Glossary of Terms.
- 2.3 “Balancing Authority Area” or “BAA” shall be defined by the prevailing FERC-approved definition of the term as published in the NERC Glossary of Terms.
- 2.4 “Balancing Authority Operation Services Agreement” shall mean the Agreement between BANC and SMUD as the BANC Operator whereby SMUD shall perform specified services for BANC in accordance with the terms of that Agreement.

2.5 “BANC Operator” is the role that shall be filled by the entity contracted as operator of the BANC BAA.

2.6 “Bulk Electric System” shall be defined by the prevailing FERC-approved definition of the term as published in the NERC Glossary of Terms.

2.7 “Commission” shall mean the BANC Commission as established in the JPA, as that agreement may be amended from time to time.

2.8 “Compliance” shall mean the full performance of the duties and obligations necessary to comply with applicable Reliability Standards.

2.9 “Compliance Enforcement Authority” shall mean FERC, NERC, WECC, and any other agency, court, organization, or other entity or person duly authorized pursuant to law or regulation to: (a) audit or determine compliance with applicable Reliability Standards; or (b) impose, enforce, excuse, or rescind Penalties or otherwise take action binding on one or more Parties with respect to a finding of failure to comply with a Reliability Standard.

2.10 “Compliance Investigation Report” shall mean a report resulting from an Internal Compliance Investigation or other documentation as approved by the Compliance Officer for the purposes of documenting such an investigation, pursuant to Section 5.3 of this Charter.

2.11 “Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program Implementation Plan” or “CMEP-IP” shall mean the program used by WECC to monitor, assess, and enforce compliance with Reliability Standards for entities within its footprint.

2.12 “Compliance Officer” or “CO” shall mean the individual appointed by the Commission to establish and direct the implementation of the BANC Internal Compliance Program approved by the Commission.

2.13 “Compliance Staff” shall mean a compliance team, consisting of one or more members, led by the CO.

2.14 “FERC” shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

2.15 “General Manager” shall have the meaning described in Section 3.8 of this Charter.

2.16 “Internal Compliance Investigation” shall have the meaning described in Section 5.3 of this Charter.

2.17 “Internal Compliance Program” or “ICP” shall mean both the policy-level and program-level component documents and all implementing actions that are done in support of Compliance.

2.18 “Internal Compliance Program Charter” or “ICPC” shall mean the policy-level component document of the BANC Internal Compliance Program, approved by the Commission and implemented by the Compliance Officer to ensure Compliance. The BANC ICPC is the

governing document for the BANC ICP, and the MCRC is a functional component of that program. MCRC roles and responsibilities are defined in the MCRC Charter.

2.19 “Internal Controls” shall have the same meaning as used in SMUD’s Internal Controls Evaluation Program, as this definition may be amended from time to time.

2.20 “Joint Powers Agreement” or “JPA” shall mean the Second Amended Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement, effective July 1, 2013, as such agreement may be amended from time to time under its provisions.

2.21 “Member” shall mean a party to the JPA, as that agreement may be amended from time to time.

2.22 “NERC” shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation.

2.23 “PC Participant” shall mean a Member signatory to the PC Participation Agreement.

2.24 “PC Participation Agreement” shall mean the agreement between BANC and certain Members who desire to have BANC serve as their PC.

2.25 “PC Services Agreement” shall mean the agreement between BANC and SMUD whereby SMUD has agreed to perform specified PC services for BANC in accordance with the terms of that agreement.

2.26 “PC Services Provider” shall mean the entity providing PC Services to BANC. SMUD is the contracted PC Services Provider pursuant to the terms set forth in the PC Services Agreement.

2.27 “Planning Coordinator” or “PC” shall have the same meaning as used in the NERC Glossary of Terms, as this definition may be amended from time to time.

2.28 “Reliability Standards” shall mean those NERC Reliability Standards and WECC Regional Reliability Standards that have been approved by FERC under Section 215 of the Federal Power Act and WECC applicable Regional Criterion referenced in FERC-approved Reliability Standards.

2.29 “Representative” shall mean a member of MCRC.

2.30 “Subject Matter Expert” or “SME” shall mean those responsible for maintaining compliance with applicable Reliability Standards.

2.31 “WECC” shall mean the Western Electricity Coordinating Council or its successor.

### **Section 3. BANC Internal Compliance Program Structure**

#### **3.1 BANC**

BANC is registered for the following NERC Functions:

- BA (Balancing Authority)
- PC (Planning Coordinator)

BANC Members and other relevant NERC functional registrations within the BANC BAA footprint are provided in Appendix B.

### **3.2 Commission**

The Commission collaborates with and directs the CO as issues regarding BANC's system reliability policies, strategies, and priorities are identified and addressed. The Commission shall ensure that necessary resources are provided to the BANC Operator to support compliance activities and the ICP. The Commission shall facilitate communication, the exchange of information, and coordination among Members on issues that impact electric reliability. It shall meet on compliance matters, as required by events and conditions. These meetings may be held in conjunction with regular meetings of the Commission.

### **3.3 Compliance Officer**

The Compliance Officer reports directly to the Commission. The CO shall have authorized executive responsibility for the approval of all compliance certifications and submittals that are required of BANC. The CO shall ensure that BANC's policies, decisions, and documentation regarding Reliability Standards are appropriate and effective. The CO, in coordination with Compliance Staff and the MCRC, interacts with the SMEs to ensure that the elements of the ICP are being met. The CO shall conduct independent reviews of processes and documentation prepared to demonstrate compliance. Specifically, the CO shall:

- 3.3.1 Assess the BANC Operator's performance with respect to its adherence to applicable Reliability Standards.
- 3.3.2 Lead Internal Compliance Investigations and determine compliance with applicable Reliability Standards.
- 3.3.3 Ensure that the ICP is in place and effective in meeting BANC's reliability obligations.
- 3.3.4 Approve all official compliance documents and certifications on behalf of BANC.
- 3.3.5 Periodically update the Commission on BANC's compliance efforts.
- 3.3.6 Ensure the General Manager and BANC Counsel are updated on an "as-needed" basis regarding compliance events or other matters impacting ICP objectives.
- 3.3.7 Request additional resources from the Commission, when necessary, to meet compliance obligations.
- 3.3.8 Monitor compliance performance data from the BANC Operator and recommend appropriate actions or mitigation procedures.
- 3.3.9 Ensure effective processes are in place to develop accurate and timely responses for compliance-related requests from a Compliance Enforcement Authority.

3.3.10 Act as an independent point of contact for the BANC Operator or Members to report potential violations of applicable Reliability Standards.

3.3.11 Develop and maintain ICP documents that outline more detailed internal reliability compliance processes.

3.3.12 Serve as Chair of the MCRC.

### **3.4 Member Compliance Review Committee**

Under the direction of the CO, the Member Compliance Review Committee (MCRC) provides input with respect to the following: (1) the development of, and ongoing improvements to, the ICP; (2) ongoing updates to the BA/PC Compliance List; (3) ongoing compliance matters regarding BANC in its capacity as a BA and a PC; and (4) the review of notices or actions directed to BANC from a Compliance Enforcement Authority. A more detailed description of the roles and responsibilities of the MCRC is set forth in the “Member Compliance Review Committee Charter,” which is provided as Appendix A to this ICPC.

### **3.5 BANC Operator**

The BANC Operator is responsible for managing and generating the critical information to meet compliance requirements and respond to other regulatory obligations at the direction of the CO or the MCRC. The BANC Operator shall employ SMEs with the expertise to meet or exceed that which is necessary to ensure Compliance. BANC Operator SMEs shall provide documentation that demonstrates compliance with applicable Reliability Standards in accordance with specified timelines. In particular, the BANC Operator shall:

3.5.1 Promote the exchange of information through development of good practices and effective work processes that assist in achieving safe, reliable, and efficient operation.

3.5.2 Recognize the importance of improving or revising existing practices when necessary.

3.5.3 Report any potential violations to the CO for further investigation and cooperate with the CO during any such investigation.

3.5.4 Identify any resource issues associated with compliance with applicable Reliability Standards and work with the CO and MCRC to promptly address those concerns to ensure Compliance.

3.5.5 Upon request, provide a position, and, if further requested, propose language to the MCRC with respect to applicable Reliability Standards under development.

### **3.6 BANC Planning Coordinator**

BANC is the registered PC for its Members who have executed the PC Participation Agreement. As the registered PC for PC Participants, BANC is responsible for managing and generating the critical information to meet compliance requirements and respond to other regulatory obligations at the direction of the CO or the MCRC. To support this obligation, BANC has contracted with a PC Services Provider. The PC Services Provider is required to

employ SMEs with the expertise to meet or exceed that which is necessary to ensure Compliance with all applicable Reliability Standards. Specifically, the PC Services Provider shall:

3.6.1 Promote the exchange of information through development of good practices and effective work processes that assist in achieving safe, reliable, and efficient operation.

3.6.2 Recognize the importance of improving or revising existing practices when necessary.

3.6.3 Report any potential violations to the CO for further investigation and cooperate with the CO during any such investigation.

3.6.4 Identify any resource issues associated with compliance with applicable Reliability Standards and work with the CO and MCRC to promptly address those concerns to ensure Compliance.

3.6.5 Upon request, provide a position, and, if further requested, propose language to the MCRC with respect to applicable Reliability Standards under development.

### **3.7 BANC Counsel**

BANC Counsel shall advise the Commission, Compliance Officer, and MCRC on NERC reliability compliance and enforcement matters, regulatory proceedings before FERC involving the development of NERC standards, and all other issues involving NERC Reliability Standards and compliance as they relate to BANC. BANC Counsel shall assist with Internal Compliance Investigations and determinations. BANC Counsel shall coordinate with the Commission, MCRC, BANC Operator, BANC Planning Coordinator, and General Manager to develop BANC comments on Reliability Standards before FERC, if so requested.

### **3.8 General Manager**

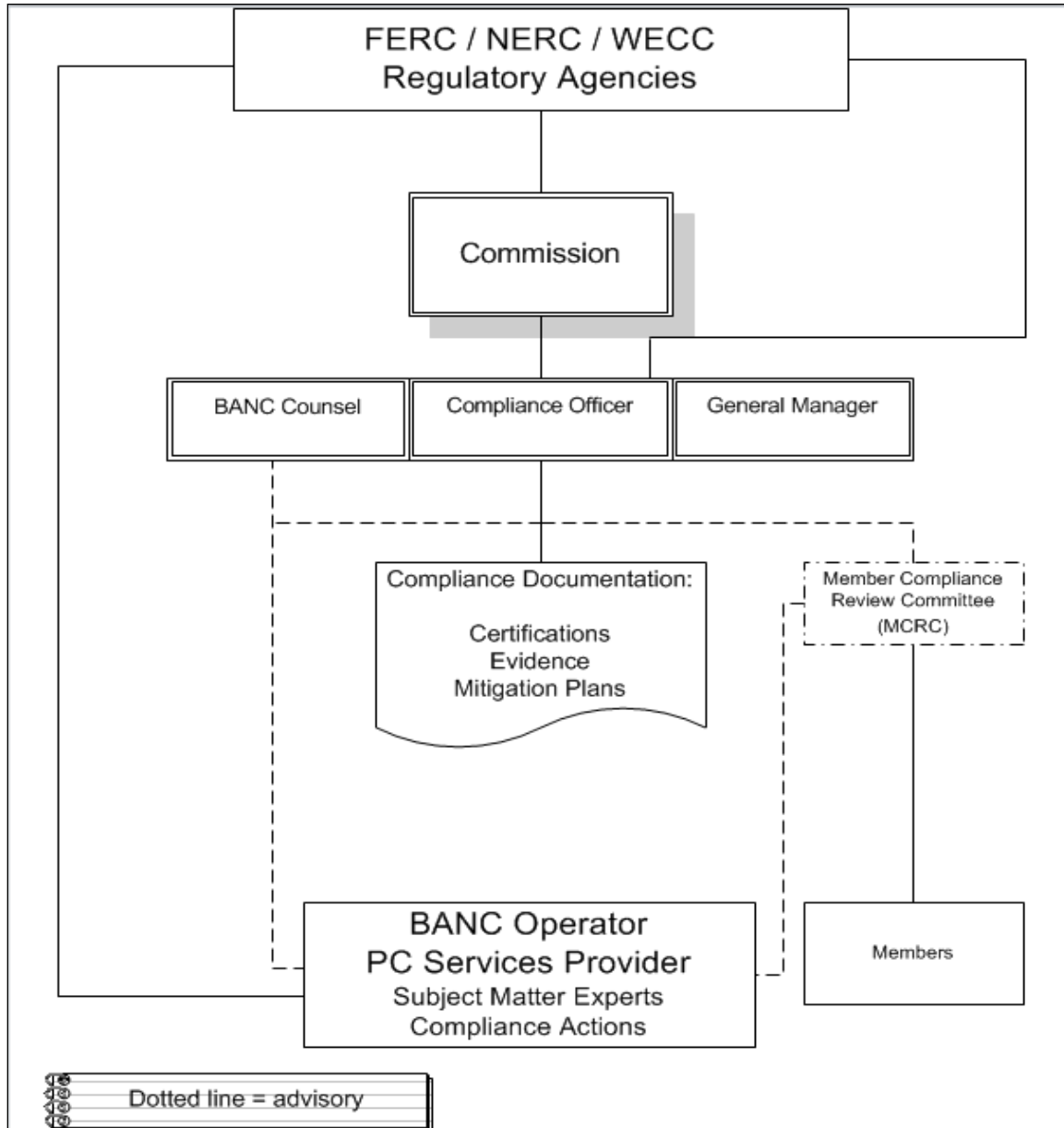
The General Manager is the chief executive officer of BANC. The General Manager is responsible for implementing the directives of the Commission, providing executive support for the ICP and supporting a culture of compliance within the organization.

## **Section 4. Compliance Reporting Structure**

The ICP is organized to ensure that appropriate and effective processes, policies, and practices related to Balancing Authority and Planning Coordinator reliability are established and executed. It is structured to keep the execution of work as close to the primary implementers and experts as possible. The relationship of these components is illustrated in Diagram 2.



**Diagram 2: Illustration of BANC Internal Compliance Program Relationships**



## **Section 5. Elements of BANC Internal Compliance Program**

The ICP promotes coordination, communication, efficiency, and effectiveness to ensure Compliance.

### **5.1 Operational Independence**

The CO, in coordination with the MCRC and Compliance Staff, implements the ICP. The CO, Compliance Staff, and the MCRC do not manage or perform line functions or make operational decisions. The BANC Operator and PC Services Provider perform line functions and operational actions in accordance with the Balancing Authority Operation Services Agreement. The PC Services Provider performs PC functions in accordance with the PC Services Agreement. The MCRC reports directly to the CO, who in turn reports directly to the Commission.

### **5.2 Compliance Monitoring and Training**

The CO, in coordination with the MCRC and Compliance Staff, shall proactively monitor compliance.

#### **5.2.1 Continuous Self-Assessment and Correction**

The CO, in coordination with the MCRC and Compliance Staff, may direct periodic assessments of BANC compliance efforts, generally with an emphasis on those Reliability Standards that pose the greatest risk to the reliability of the BES and BANC BAA. These assessment(s) aim to identify and address reliability risks that may lead to potential violation(s). The CO may share the results of these assessments with the General Manager and with the Commission in closed session, as directed by BANC Counsel. An example of continuous review may include ensuring that the BANC Operator and/or PC Services Provider completes and documents a rigorous analysis of potentially compliance-related events. The need for such assessment shall be determined by the CO; however, such assessment(s) may be also requested by the Commission.

#### **5.2.2 Compliance Communication and Training**

The CO, in coordination with the MCRC, shall disseminate to the BANC Operator and PC Services Provider “lessons learned” and other issuances related to BANC’s compliance obligations. The BANC Operator and Planning Coordinator SMEs and staff shall receive annual compliance training, which shall include the process for self-reporting potential violations. The BANC Operator and Planning Coordinator SMEs shall have access to an internal compliance website with a link available to any SME or staff member to report any potential violation of a Reliability Standard.

The CO, in coordination with the MCRC, shall review the need for a meeting no less frequently than once per quarter. Meetings may be held either in person or via teleconference.

During any such meeting, the MCRC shall receive an update on BANC compliance activities. The CO shall keep the MCRC apprised of the status of any potential violations.

The CO shall regularly update the Commission on BANC compliance activities. Such updates shall be held in closed session to the extent that the discussion requires disclosure of critical infrastructure information, personnel matters or information regarding pending or threatened litigation. The determination as to whether all or a portion of the update on other compliance activities should be held in closed session shall be determined by BANC Counsel.

### **5.3 Internal Compliance Investigations**

Upon learning of any circumstance of potential non-compliance, the CO shall first confirm with the BANC Operator and/or PC Services Provider that any ongoing possible reliability risks have been removed and will then commence an investigation to determine whether a potential violation of one or more applicable Reliability Standards occurred. The CO may consult with BANC Counsel and notify the General Manager and the MCRC regarding items reviewed at any point during the investigation. Further, the CO may seek review and recommendations from the MCRC on any matter undergoing an Internal Compliance Investigation. The role of the MCRC regarding an Internal Compliance Investigation is set forth in more detail in Section 6 of the MCRC Charter.

Upon conclusion of the investigation, if the CO believes that a potential violation of an applicable Reliability Standard occurred, the CO shall file either a Self-Report or a Self-Log<sup>1</sup> with a Compliance Enforcement Authority. If the CO concludes that no potential violation occurred, the CO shall close the matter and maintain relevant documentation, including a Compliance Investigation Report, in BANC's compliance files. Further, the CO may recommend that the BANC Operator or PC Services Provider conduct a review and/or revision of related processes and procedures to ensure that full compliance is reinforced.

### **5.4 Process for Handling Potential Non-Compliance**

The CO may be notified of a potential non-compliance by any compliance monitoring method utilized by a Compliance Enforcement Authority including: (1) Compliance Audits; (2) Self-Certifications; (3) Spot Checks; (4) Compliance Investigations; (5) Self-Reports/Self-Logs (6) Periodic Data Submittals; and (7) Complaints.

Upon receipt of a notice of alleged violation, Compliance Exception<sup>2</sup>, or Find, Fix, Track and Report (FFT)<sup>3</sup> issued by a Compliance Enforcement Authority, the CO shall notify BANC Counsel and the General Manager. The CO shall ensure that such notice is also provided to the BANC Operator and/or PC Services Provider and the MCRC. The CO shall coordinate with

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<sup>1</sup> Following the 2016 NERC Compliance Audit, BANC was awarded self-logging privileges for minor issues that pose minimal risk to the reliability of the BES. See §4.5A of the NERC CMEP, Appendix 4C to the Rules of Procedure.

<sup>2</sup> The Compliance Exception process is set forth in §4A.1 of the NERC CMEP, Appendix 4C to the Rules of Procedure. <sup>3</sup> The FFT Process is set forth in §4A.2 of the NERC CMEP, Appendix 4C to the Rules of Procedure.

<sup>3</sup> The FFT Process is set forth in §4A.2 of the NERC CMEP, Appendix 4C to the Rules of Procedure.

BANC Counsel, the General Manager, the MCRC and the Commission in responding to any notices of alleged violation.

The CO shall follow and adhere to all of the processes described in the CMEP, located in Appendix 4C to the Rules of Procedure, regarding the processing of violations.<sup>4</sup>

## **5.5 Internal Controls Evaluations Program**

The CO shall oversee the implementation of an Internal Controls Evaluation (ICE) Program that describes how BANC identifies, documents, and evaluates internal controls. The ICE Program incorporates internal controls guidance provided by NERC and WECC and is consistent with established industry best practices. ICE Program activities support BANC's participation in the internal controls review process that WECC incorporates as a part of its CMEP activities.

The ICE Program integrates with other Internal Compliance Program elements related to BANC's reliability, security, and compliance objectives. The identification and documentation of internal controls primarily focus on areas that are determined to have higher levels of inherent risk. The ICE Program includes a transparent and repeatable process to evaluate the effectiveness of internal controls, resulting in outcomes that convey control effectiveness, residual risk, areas of strength, and recommendations for consideration. These outcomes facilitate a better understanding of residual risk associated with applicable Reliability Standards". Updates regarding ICE Program activities are communicated in accordance with Section 5.2.2 of this charter.

## **5.6 Review of BANC Internal Compliance Program and Internal Compliance Program Charter**

The CO shall conduct an annual audit of the ICP. The CO may request that such an audit be performed by a third-party. A copy of the final annual ICP audit report shall be provided to the Commission. The MCRC shall have an opportunity to review the ICP audit report prior to the report going to the Commission.

Additionally, at any time, the CO, the Commission, any MCRC Representative or BANC Counsel may propose any appropriate or necessary changes to ensure the effectiveness of the ICP or the accuracy of this ICPC. Such changes may include incorporating elements proposed by FERC in its policy statements, rules, or orders, or any other guidance proposed by a Compliance Enforcement Authority. The CO shall document the date of any review, as well as any changes made to the ICP or this ICPC. Changes to the ICPC are reflected through a change to its version number.

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<sup>4</sup> <https://www.nerc.com/pa/comp/Pages/Reliability-Assurance-Initiative.aspx>  
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## Section 6. Review and Approval

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## Section 7. Revision History

<b>BANC Internal Compliance Program Charter</b>			
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## **Appendix A**

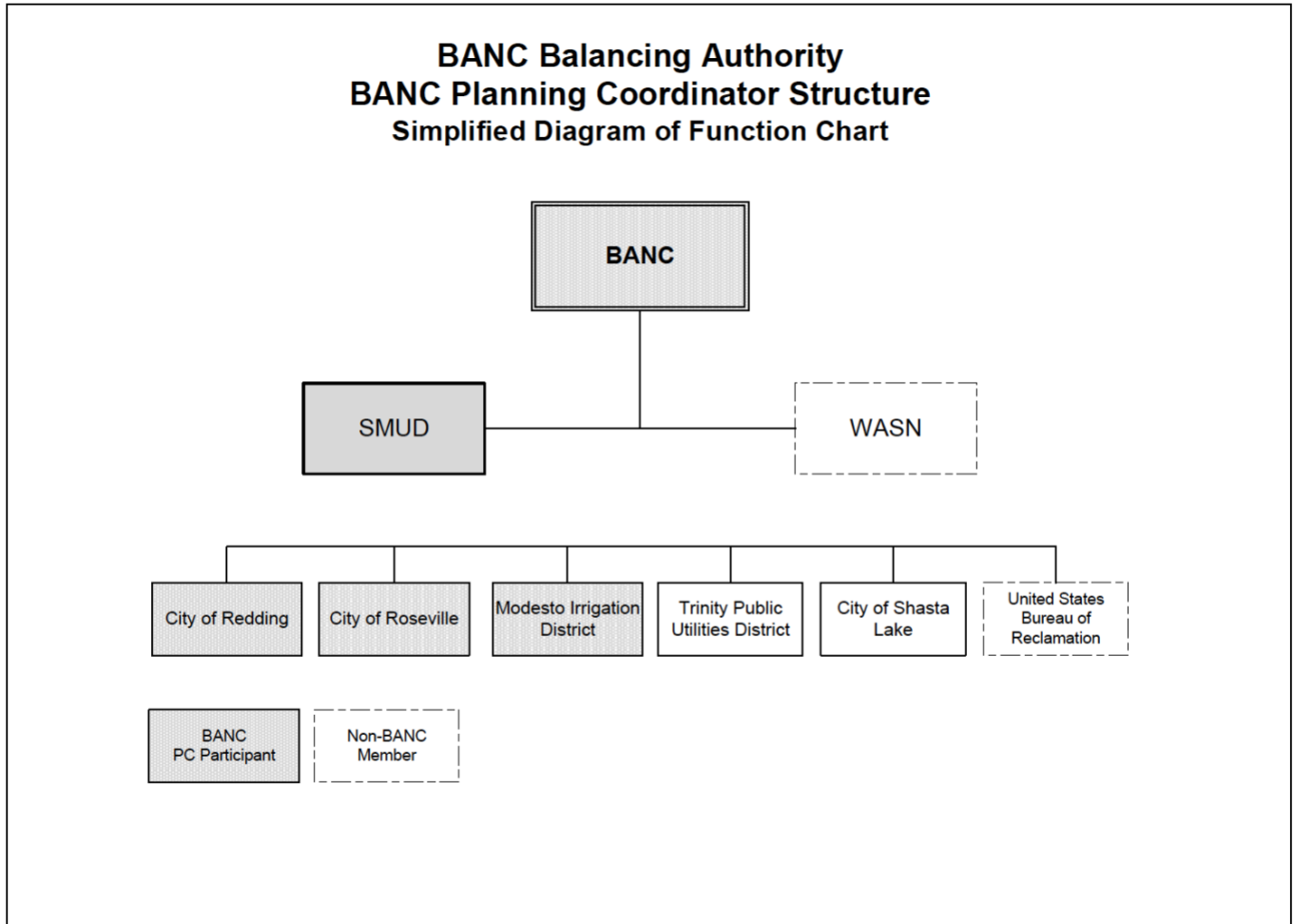
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## Appendix B

### General Structure and Relevant NERC Functional Registrations within the BANC Balancing Authority Area Footprint

Figure 1: General BANC BA/PC Structure





**Figure 2: Relevant NERC Functional Registrations within the BANC BA Area Footprint**

	BANC	City of Roseville	City of Shasta Lake	MID	REU	SMUD	TPUD	WASN	US BoR
<b>BANC Member</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
<b>BANC PC Participant</b>	X	X		X	X	X			
<b>Western SBA Member</b>		X	X	X	X		X		X
<b>Functional Registration</b>									
<b>BA</b>	X								
<b>DP</b>		X		X	X	X			
<b>GO</b>				X	X	X			X
<b>GOP</b>				X	X	X			X
<b>PA/PC</b>	X							X	
<b>RP</b>		X		X	X	X		X	
<b>TO</b>				X	X	X		X	X
<b>TOP</b>				X	X	X		X	
<b>TP</b>				X	X	X		X	
<b>TSP</b>						X		X	

(**Note:** Western Area Power Administration -- Sierra Nevada Region (WASN) operates under the BANC BA as a sub-Balancing Authority (SBA), and many utilities operate under the WASN SBA. However, not all utilities are members of BANC. The table above shows the utilities, their operational relationship(s), BANC membership and functional registration(s).

# Balancing Authority of Northern California

Appendix A to the BANC Internal Compliance Program Charter

## **Member Compliance Review Committee Charter**

**Version 10.0**

# Member Compliance Review Committee Charter

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## **Introduction**

Pursuant to Section 6.2 of the Balancing Authority Operation Services Agreement (BOSA) between the Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC) and the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD), the BANC Commission authorized the Compliance Officer (CO) to form the Member Compliance Review Committee (MCRC), which serves in an advisory role to the CO. This BANC MCRC Charter (Charter) sets forth the general roles and responsibilities of the MCRC, consistent with this authorization.

## **General Statement of Purpose of MCRC**

The MCRC will consult with the BANC CO with respect to: (1) the development and ongoing improvements to the BANC Internal Compliance Program (ICP); (2) ongoing updates to the list of Reliability Standards applicable to the BANC in its capacity as a NERC-registered Balancing Authority (BA) and Planning Coordinator (PC) (BA/PC Compliance List); (3) ongoing compliance matters regarding the BANC BA and PC functions; and (4) the review of notices or actions directed to the BANC from the Compliance Enforcement Authority.

## **Section 1. Definitions and Terms**

Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms when used with initial capitalization, whether singular or plural, shall have the meaning set forth in the FERC-approved Glossary of Terms Used in NERC Reliability Standards, the NERC Functional Model, the WECC/NERC Delegation Agreement, including the WECC Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP), or the BANC ICPC.

1.1 “BANC Member Agreement” or “Member Agreement” shall mean the Agreement between BANC and its participating members that sets forth the roles, obligations, and responsibilities of the Parties to one another with regard to the operation of the Balancing Authority.

1.2 "Confidential Information" shall mean: (a) all written materials marked "Confidential," "Proprietary," or with words of similar import provided to the Representative by another Representative, the CO, the BANC Operator, the PC Services Provider, or a Member; and (b) all observations of equipment (including computer screens) and oral disclosures related to a Representative's, the BANC Operator's, the PC Services Provider's, or Member's systems, operations, or activities that are indicated as such at the time of observation or disclosure (or identified as "confidential" or "proprietary" in a letter sent to the Representative, the MCRC or the CO no later than five (5) calendar days after the disclosure), respectively. Confidential Information includes portions of documents, records, and other material forms or representations that the Representative(s), the CO, the BANC Operator, the PC Services Provider, or Member(s) may create, including but not limited to, handwritten notes or summaries that contain or are derived from such Confidential Information.

1.3 “Identified Member” shall mean any entity that is a member of the MCRC (inclusive of the Western Area Power Administration - Sierra Nevada Region or “WASN”) and identified in an incident subject to an Internal Compliance Investigation.

1.4 “Segment” shall have the meaning and include the qualifications set forth in Appendix 3D [Registered Ballot Body Criteria — Development of the Registered Ballot Body]<sup>1</sup> of the NERC Rules of Procedure, as that procedure may be periodically updated by NERC and approved by FERC.

## **Section 2. Functions**

2.1 General Forum. The MCRC provides a general forum for members to discuss and address issues relating to applicable Reliability Standards compliance matters. The MCRC assists the CO in the implementation of the ICP, the development of BANC’s positions on proposed Reliability Standards, and all compliance regulation matters affecting BANC as directed by the CO.

2.2 Consultation. The MCRC consults with the CO with respect to:

2.2.1 Development and Ongoing Improvements to the ICP. Upon request by the CO, the MCRC will review specific elements of the ICP and provide its recommendations to the CO.

2.2.2 Development and Ongoing Improvements to the ICPC. Upon request by the CO, the MCRC will conduct periodic reviews of the ICPC and provide its recommendations to the CO. The MCRC will have the opportunity to review and make recommendations on all proposed changes to the ICPC.

2.2.3 Ongoing Updates to the BA/PC Compliance List. At the direction of the CO, an updated list of current and near-term future enforceable applicable Reliability Standards shall be provided to MCRC members for their review, use, and reference.

2.2.4 Ongoing BANC Compliance Matters. The CO will apprise the MCRC regarding any compliance matters directed towards the BA and/or PC, and the MCRC will provide the CO with its input on such matters in accordance with Section 6 of this Charter.

2.2.5 Review of Notices or Actions Directed to BANC. At the direction of the CO, the MCRC will review any notices or actions directed to BANC from a Compliance Enforcement Authority, including actions resulting from its execution of CMEP and/or CMEP-IP activities.

## **Section 3. Membership**

3.1 Selection. Each Member shall have one Representative serve on the MCRC. Each Member may select one or more alternate Representatives meeting the requirements of Section 3.2 to serve in the primary Representative’s absence.

3.1.1 WASN may have a non-voting Representative and alternate(s).

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<sup>1</sup><https://www.nerc.com/AboutNERC/RulesOfProcedure/ROP%20App%203D%20eff%2020220825%20clean.pdf>

3.2 Qualifications. The MCRC is a technical committee and requires competency to review materials prepared by SMEs regarding electric utility BA operations, PC activities, and/or Reliability Standards compliance matters. The CO may interview or seek additional information regarding the Representatives put forward by the Members. In the event that the CO believes that a particular Representative advanced by a Member is unqualified and the Member has a more qualified candidate to be the Member Representative, the CO shall raise (either verbally or in writing) his or her concerns directly with the appropriate member of the Commission.

3.3 Expectations of Representatives. Each Representative is expected to:

3.3.1 Be or become competent to review materials prepared by SMEs for the MCRC's use in preparing or reviewing compliance-related responses.

3.3.2 Attend and/or participate regularly in MCRC meetings and/or teleconferences.

3.3.3 Provide input that looks beyond the individual Member's interests and attempts to advocate and advise in the best interest of BANC.

3.3.4 Complete any assignment or review requested by the CO in a timely and professional manner.

3.3.5 Remain apprised of developments regarding applicable Reliability Standards as those developments are brought to the attention of the MCRC.

3.4 Expectations of the Compliance Officer. The CO shall also serve as the official contact to and from MCRC Representatives for the purpose of gathering and disseminating BANC compliance-related information. With respect to the MCRC, the CO is expected to:

3.4.1 Attend and/or participate in MCRC meetings and/or teleconferences.

3.4.2 Consult with MCRC Representatives on all required compliance-related matters as described in Section 6.2 of the BOSA.

3.4.3 Make recommendations that are in the best interest of BANC. In making these recommendations, the CO shall consider individual Members' concerns and interests after consulting with the MCRC.

3.4.4 Investigate and report to WECC and to the MCRC any potential violation of a Reliability Standard as required in Section 7.3 of the Member Agreement.

3.4.5 Convene a meeting of the MCRC upon receipt of a written notice of an alleged violation as required in Section 7.4 of the Member Agreement.

3.4.6 Notify the MCRC of any scheduled compliance audit as required in Section 7.5 of the Member Agreement.

3.4.7 Develop and maintain a BA/PC Compliance List in consultation with the MCRC as required in Section 6.3 of the BOSA.<sup>2</sup>

3.5 Term. Each Representative serves at the will of the appointing Member, or, in the case of WASN, at the discretion of its internal selection process.

#### **Section 4. Meetings**

4.1 Formal Actions. The MCRC serves in a consultative role to the CO. From time to time, the MCRC may desire, or be asked by the CO, to adopt a formal position or decision while serving in this capacity. Any formal action taken by the MCRC shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the Member Representatives (thus, the determination of a majority does not include the CO, the BANC Operator representative(s), or the PC Services Provider representative(s)). Positions and/or decisions from the MCRC adopted pursuant to this Section 4.1 are not binding upon the CO; however, should the CO take action contrary to an adopted position and/or decision of the MCRC, the CO will follow the process described in Section 6.3.

4.2 Voting. Each Member Representative shall have one vote.

4.3 WASN. WASN may serve as a non-voting Representative at all MCRC meetings. Should WASN become a voting member on the Commission, its Representative will become eligible to vote on MCRC matters.

4.4 BANC Counsel will provide legal support to the CO and the MCRC.

4.5 The BANC Operator and/or the PC Services Provider shall attend meetings and provide updates as to relevant performance when requested by the CO.

4.6. The General Manager will provide executive support to the CO and the MCRC.

4.7 Teleconferencing may be used for all purposes in connection with any meeting. Voting Representatives attending a meeting by teleconference shall be included in the calculation of a quorum. All votes taken during a teleconferenced meeting shall be by roll call.

#### **Section 5. Officers**

5.1 Chairperson. The CO shall be the Chairperson of MCRC meetings.

5.2 Vice Chair. The Representatives may select from among themselves a Vice Chair who shall work to direct any work product or other tasks assigned to Representatives. The Vice Chair shall also be responsible for communicating to the CO the MCRC's adopted formal position on a

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<sup>2</sup> Section 6.3 of the BOSA specifically references the "BA Compliance List" and not the "BA/PC Compliance List." This has been changed to address the expanded role of BANC as a registered Planning Coordinator. The authority of the CO to make such a change resides in this same section, which provides that : "[t]he Compliance Officer, in consultation with the MCRC, shall update the BA Compliance List from time to time to reflect changes in Reliability Standards applicable to a BA, *or for any other reason deemed appropriate by the Compliance Officer*" (emphasis added).

newly proposed Reliability Standard and/or modifications to an existing Reliability Standard, as set forth in Section 6.4 below.

5.3 Secretary. The Representatives may select a Secretary to record minutes of MCRC meetings, provide meeting notices, and address other administrative matters as directed by the Chairperson. In the absence of the specific selection of a Secretary, the Chairperson will ensure that meeting minutes, notices and other administrative matters required to support the MCRC are provided.

5.4 Term. Except for the Chairperson, Officers shall serve at the pleasure of the MCRC.

## **Section 6. Reports, Recommendations and Segment Voting**

6.1 Reports. At the direction of the CO, the MCRC will develop reports from time to time regarding specific compliance matters. Except for any reports provided directly to the Commission pursuant to Section 8, all reports are directed to the CO and are to be treated as Confidential Information in accordance with Section 10. The BANC Operator and/or PC Services Provider shall provide assistance to the MCRC in the development of any reports as requested by the CO.

6.2 Recommendations of MCRC to the Compliance Officer.

6.2.1 General Recommendations of MCRC. The CO will submit a self-log or file a self-report with WECC for any violation of a NERC Reliability Standard. During the investigation of events or other reviews, except as provided in Section 6.2.1.1, the CO may seek a recommendation from the MCRC regarding a specific compliance matter, including, but not limited to, whether to submit a self-log or self-report to a Compliance Enforcement Authority the potential violation of an applicable Reliability Standard. Such matters may include MCRC review of draft Compliance Investigation Reports, subject to the process further described in Section 6.2.1.1, resulting from an Internal Compliance Investigation by the CO. Recommendations may require voting in accordance with Section 4 of this Charter, and such recommendations may be given verbally or, if requested by the CO, in writing. Recommendations are not binding on the CO; however, they should be afforded proper deference.

6.2.1.1 Identified Member(s) Initial Review of Draft Compliance Investigation Report. An Identified Member or Identified Members shall be afforded an opportunity to review and comment on the draft Compliance Investigation Report prior to its distribution to the full MCRC in accordance with the following:

6.2.1.1.1 Identified Member(s) shall be afforded an opportunity to review the *initial* draft Compliance Investigation Report prior to its distribution to the full MCRC.

6.2.1.1.2 A reasonable time for review shall be provided to the Identified Member(s) to review the *initial* draft Compliance Investigation Report.



6.2.1.1.3 The CO shall address the Identified Member's (or Members') comments and create a *revised* draft for review by the entire MCRC.

6.2.1.1.4 The CO shall distribute the *revised* draft Compliance Investigation Report and Identified Member comments to the entire MCRC.

6.2.1.1.5 A final decision as to the content of the Report, although subject to Identified Member's (or Members') review, resides with the CO.

6.2.2 All exchanges of Compliance Investigation Reports under this Section 6.2 shall be through BANC Counsel.

6.3 CO Actions Contrary to the Position or Decision of the MCRC. If the CO takes any action contrary to a position and/or decision of the MCRC adopted pursuant to Section 4.1, the CO shall provide a report to the Commission providing the details of the discussions with the MCRC on the subject, the details of the CO's action, and rationale for such action. A copy of such report shall be provided to the MCRC Representatives.

6.4 MCRC Segment Voting in NERC Reliability Standard Development Process. BANC will join the appropriate NERC Registered Ballot Body and self-select the segment(s) for which BANC qualifies. At the direction of the CO, the MCRC may be required to determine its position specific to a newly proposed Reliability Standard and/or modifications to an existing Reliability Standard. The MCRC's formal position shall be adopted by consensus, or, if requested by a Representative, a vote of the Representatives pursuant to Section 4.1. It shall be the responsibility of the CO to ensure BANC's position, as communicated to the CO by the MCRC, is properly registered with NERC.

## **Section 7. Interaction with BANC Operator and PC Services Provider**

7.1 Advisory Role. The BANC Operator and PC Services Provider serve in an advisory role to review or make recommendations on materials prepared by the MCRC for proposed compliance actions. The BANC Operator's and PC Services Provider's SMEs are reasonably expected to develop and expand the knowledge base of the MCRC by maintaining and providing the base documentation and technical expertise required to demonstrate compliance and respond to other regulatory obligations at the direction of the CO. This may further include offering recommendations upon request regarding various matters, including, but not limited to, the MCRC's responses to actions resulting from execution of CMEP or CMEP-IP activities, the adoption of a position as to a revision to an existing Reliability Standard, the adoption of a new Reliability Standard, or modifications to the BANC ICP.

7.2 MCRC Contact with BANC Operator and PC Services Provider. It is expected that the primary interaction between Representatives and the BANC Operator and PC Services Provider will occur at MCRC meetings.<sup>3</sup> Questions or concerns from Representatives outside of an

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<sup>3</sup> The PC Services Provider also interacts with participating BANC PC member representatives through a separate working committee to address their respective functional obligations.

approved process or inquiry shall be directed to the CO. In the case of inquiries providing evidence or in reviewing or developing reports agreed upon by the CO and the MCRC, the BANC Operator and/or PC Services Provider shall use reasonable efforts to respond to the CO in a timely manner.

## **Section 8. Interaction with Commission**

Unless specifically requested by the CO or the Commission, the MCRC shall not provide direct reports to the Commission. If so requested, the Vice Chair or his or her designee shall make such a report. However, an individual Representative may consult with his or her internal legal counsel or Commission member.

## **Section 9. External Communications**

Representatives shall abide and are bound by all of the Confidentiality provisions of this Charter and shall not provide or disseminate any Confidential Information obtained through participation on the MCRC. Further, Representatives shall not initiate or respond to requests for information from third parties, including but not limited to a Compliance Enforcement Authority or media outlets unless otherwise directed by the Commission or the CO.

## **Section 10. Confidentiality**

10.1 Confidentiality. Representatives recognize that for the purposes of performing their role on the MCRC, which may include advising the CO as to how BANC should respond to any report or notice of potential violation of a Reliability Standard, Representatives may receive information from Members, the BANC Operator, the PC Services Provider, and/or the CO that has been marked as Confidential Information. Representatives agree to keep in confidence and not to copy, disclose, or distribute any Confidential Information or any part thereof, unless directed, in writing, by the CO or the Commission. Any requests for the disclosure of Confidential Information made to the MCRC or an individual Representative shall be directed to the CO. Any questions relating to Confidentiality as applied to the MCRC shall be directed to BANC Counsel. Consultation with the Representative's internal counsel or Commission member is not a violation of Confidentiality.

10.2 Survival of Obligation. Obligations regarding Confidentiality shall continue after a Representative ends his or her role on the MCRC.

## Section 11. Revision History

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