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Briefing on final policy initiatives roadmap

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Goals for the Policy Catalog and Roadmap

- **Meaningfully engage external stakeholders**
 - Stakeholders propose and advocate for their own initiatives
 - Final catalog includes stakeholder prioritization
- **Transparent**
 - Clear methods to identify and prioritize proposals
 - Open and transparent access to all stakeholders to influence policy enhancements roadmap
- **Allows stakeholder prioritization to be considered in the ISO's internal planning processes, together with:**
 - Alignment with ISO strategic goals and already planned work
 - Project impact on market efficiency and system reliability
 - Implementation cost
 - Other ISO commitments
- **Incorporate urgent requests**

Policy Roadmap & Catalog Timeline



Policy roadmap incorporates stakeholder priorities

- **Process required stakeholder input**
 - Proposing initiatives
 - Presenting initiatives
 - Consolidating and refining requests
 - Prioritizing catalog
- **Regional Issues Forum has an expanded role**
 - RIF roundtable included as a step in ISO prioritization process
 - Liaisons for each sector presented sector-level input regarding themes, issues, and priorities and initial synthesis of common priorities
- **Stakeholder prioritization was considered in the ISO's internal planning processes, together with:**
 - Alignment with ISO strategic goals and existing planning
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2025: Existing policy initiatives

		2025			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Gas Resource Management		Proposal working groups	Policy development		Decision
Greenhouse Gas Coordination					
	Topic 1: WEIM/EDAM GHG design	Scoping working groups			
	Topic 2: Non-priced approaches for GHG reduction	Policy development	Decision		
	Topic 3: Additional GHG-related metrics	Scoping working groups			
Penalty Enhancements: Demand Response, Investigation, and Tolling		Implementation			
Price Formation Enhancements					
	Scarcity pricing & market power mitigation	Proposal working groups	Straw proposal	Policy development	
	Fast start pricing	Proposal working groups	Straw proposal	Policy development	

Pre-proposal development
Proposal development
Decision
Implementation

2025: Existing policy initiatives (continued)

		2025		
Resource Adequacy Modeling and Program Design				
	Track 1: Modeling, Defaults, and Accreditation	Policy development	Decision (Default Counting Rules/PRM)	Implementation (Default Counting Rules/PRM)
	Track 2: Outage & substitution and availability and incentive mechanisms	Policy development	Decision	
	Track 3a: Backstop reform and long-term EDAM RSE solutions	Policy development		
	Track 3b: RA status visibility	Policy development	Decision	Implementation
Storage Bid Cost Recovery and Default Energy Bid Enhancements		Phase I Implementation		
WEIM Resource Sufficiency Evaluation Enhancements		Policy development		

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2025: New policy initiatives

		2025			
Congestion Revenue Rights		Scoping working groups	Policy development		
Demand Response, Distributed Energy Resources, Biddable/participating demand					
	Phase I	Scoping working groups		Policy Development	
	Phase II				Scoping working groups
Storage Design and Modeling		Scoping working groups Issue paper		Policy development	

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Some proposed initiatives not included in the roadmap

- Items included in roadmap needed to be:
 - Broadly identified as **priority among stakeholders**
 - **Just and reasonable**
 - **Feasible** (resources & scope, implementation timing, interdependencies with other initiatives)
 - Contribute to **reliable and efficient operation of markets**
 - Aligned with **ISO strategic objectives**
- All catalog submissions reviewed and received public status disposition
- Stakeholders encouraged to review dispositions and revise/resubmit

Outcomes: Stakeholder submissions

	Policy Initiatives	Process Improvements	
Resolved: Solution implemented or under development	2	9	11
Accepted: Considered within upcoming initiative	18	1	19
Deferred: Resubmit for future consideration	1	10	11
Not selected for consideration	2	6	8
	23	26	49

Of 132 submissions, remaining 77 were not catalog items: non-discretionary, urgent requests, part of existing stakeholder processes or data and analysis requests.

Next steps

- **2025 catalog & roadmap development** will begin in January & February with stakeholder submissions of discretionary policy initiatives
- ISO is soliciting feedback on 2024 catalog process:
 - Timing
 - Process
 - Products