

In its advisory role, the Western Energy Imbalance Market Governing Body (WEIM GB) submits the following advisory guidance to the Board of Governors:

The work of stakeholders and the CAISO staff on the Transmission Service and Market Scheduling Priorities (TSMSP) has been substantive. The WEIM GB appreciates the engagement on this issue. Likewise, the WEIM GB as a body and as independent individuals have also been significantly engaged through direct interaction with stakeholders, CAISO staff briefings, the Regional Issues Forum, and reading of the various draft proposals and respective comments of stakeholders.

The TSMSP proposal and decision must be principle based in that it protects the required transmission for native load consistent with open access transmission tenets and the use of that transmission by and for native load serving entities.

Additionally, beyond serving native load, decisions and policies related to TSMSP must further be equitable and impartial to entities scheduling the use of available transmission consistent with transmission open access as defined by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

The WEIM GB supports:

- The general direction and improvements in the TSMSP final proposal.
- The improved definition of transmission requirements for native load.
- The improved approach for entities outside the CAISO BAA to secure high priority scheduling rights as compared to prior iterations of TSMSP and the conditions under which scheduling priorities may be impacted based upon a derate of a transmission path and a power imbalance constraint.

The WEIM GB remains concerned in regard to:

- The efficacy of the ATC calculation that it is not overly conservative such that it overstates transmission held for native load.
- The certainty of firm transmission rights for those entities acquiring high priority scheduling rights.

Given the concerns of the WEIM GB to advise and offer guidance on the support of the TSMSP final proposal that the CAISO Board of Governors will vote on today (February 1, 2023), the WEIM GB advises that:

- The Department of Market Monitoring initiate reporting on the efficacy of the ATC calculations.
- The Department of Market Monitoring will hold a public workshop to establish the data and information that will be tracked and reported consistent with the issues raised by all the stakeholders.
- The Department of Market Monitoring report to the Board of Governors and the Governing Body on a quarterly basis with the results.