# Welcome!

Stakeholder Engagement Orientation Workshop

Integrated Resource Plan for the Period 2025-2044 El Paso Electric Company

> Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2025 1:00 – 4:00 PM MDT

This workshop is being recorded and will be available as public information. The link to the recording will be included in the workshop summary which will be posted at <a href="https://gridworks.org/initiatives/epe-irp/">https://gridworks.org/initiatives/epe-irp/</a>



# **Today's Workshop Begins to Build a Foundation**

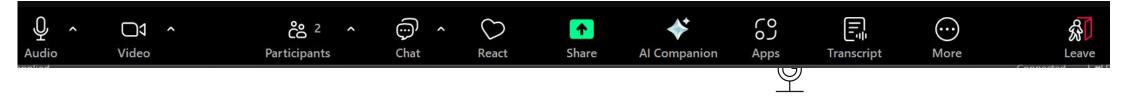
Our primary objective is to create a dialogue among stakeholders to inform the Integrated Resource Plan

# **Agenda**

- 1:00 Welcome by Gridworks
  Welcome by New Mexico Public Regulation Commission Representative
  Introduction of IRP Team and Planning Process
- 1:20 EPE System Overview, followed by Q&A
- 2:20 Break
- 2:30 Stakeholder Introductions and Topics of Primary Interest
- 3:30 Requests of Stakeholders
- 3:45 Questions and Summary of Next Steps
- 4:00 Adjourn



# **Key ZOOM Features for our Conversation**



- Mute (microphone) please mute when not speaking
- Video button controls the camera focused on you; please start video when you are speaking
- React button includes the option to raise or lower your hand
- Chat allows you to offer written ideas to entire group or respond to specific questions.



# **Zoom Poll Question**

What is your knowledge of the integrated resource planning process for electric utilities in New Mexico?

1 - no or low level of knowledge

3 - some knowledge

5 - high level of knowledge



# Welcome by New Mexico Public Regulation Commission Representative



# **GRIDWORKS' Team Members for New Mexico Stakeholder Engagement**



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#### **EPE Team Members for the IRP**



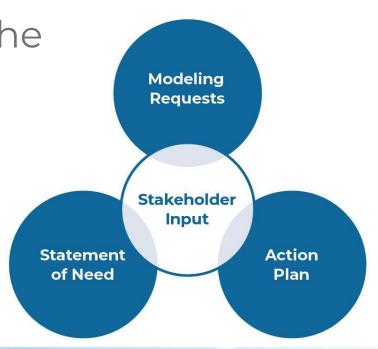
- Judi Parsons and Michelle Pedroza
- Emmanuel Villalobos, Ronda Richards Griffin, and Curtis Hutcheson
- Leslie Padilla and Nancy Burns
- Nathan Lee (E3) and Ben Elsey (E3)

Plus additional subject matter experts, as appropriate.



#### Facilitated Stakeholder Engagement is Required for Integrated Resource Plans

- November 2022, New Mexico Public Regulation Commission put new procedures in place (Case 21-00128-UT).
- Commission-appointed facilitator enables the stakeholder conversations and produces a report on how the process worked.
- Specific stakeholder engagement topics include:
  - Statement of Need
  - Action Plan
  - Modeling





# Sequence of Steps in the Integrated Resource Plan Process

Stakeholder Process 6 months before filing 30 days for public comment, 30 additional days for utility response to public comments, 30 additional days for PRC Utility Division to file statement regarding compliance of Statement of Need (SON) and Action Plan (AP) with the IRP rule.

PRC has 120 days after filing to determine if SON and AP are compliant, or if re-filing is required. If no action is taken, SON and AP are deemed accepted.



Sept. 1, 2025

Request for Proposals, if needed, issued within 5 months of PRC's acceptance of SON and AP



# **EPE IRP Team and System Overview**

- EPE System Overview
- Q&A Session Please hold questions until the Q&A session
  - Reflective: What concerns do I have?
  - Interpretive: What do I want to explore further or need more information about?

Prepare for introductions: "My top interest is ..."



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### **Reflections and Questions**

# **Q&A Session**

- Reflective: What concerns do I have?
- Interpretive: What do I want to explore further or need more information about?
- Be thinking about: "My top interest as we move forward is ..."



#### **Stakeholder Introductions**

Organizations in attendance (Roll-call format). Please come off mute, enable your camera (start video) and share your:

- Name and organization, if applicable
- The topic related to the 20-year plan that you are most interested in
- 45 seconds per person (additional topics submitted via chat)

Organizations or people not yet introduced.

Are there organizations not here today who you feel should be in these conversations? (please add suggestions to the "chat")





# You are Invited to Participate as Stakeholders

# We request that stakeholders:

- Provide actionable feedback regarding Statement of Need, Action Plan, and Modeling Runs
- Attend as many workshops as possible. Review materials in advance. Review summaries from workshops, especially if a session is missed.
- Work offline in working groups, if interested.
- Consider views and input of other stakeholders.
- Share experience and expertise, perhaps presenting to the group, as needed.



# **Stakeholder Engagement Includes Three Phases**

Feb - Mar	Apr - June	July - Sept
Feb. 11: 1 – 4 PM, Virtual Feb. 25: 1 – 4 PM, Virtual Mar. 11: hybrid, Las Cruces	April: date TBD, virtual May: date TBD, virtual June: date TBD, virtual	July: date TBD, virtual Aug.: date TBD, hybrid, Las Cruces Sept.: date TBD, virtual
1: Orientation, Identify Stakeholder Priority Issues, & Grounding	2: Model Runs, Statement of Need, and Action Plan Inputs	3: IRP Reviews and Process Feedback



# Questions on the stakeholder engagement process?

Other questions?



# **Next Steps**

# Workshop #1 → Summary will be distributed and available on GRIDWORKS.org website by Feb. 14

# Workshop #2 → February 25, 1:00– 4:00 PM, Zoom

- Build a foundation of shared knowledge (tutorials and Q&A)
- Include missing voices, if any

# Workshop #3 → March 11, All day in Las Cruces

- In-person attendance strongly encouraged
- Zoom participation also available, limited interaction opportunities
- Begin discussion of statement of need as well as modeling scenarios and parameters





# THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING

#### **QUESTIONS**

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