# An Overview of the Eastern Interconnection States Planning Council





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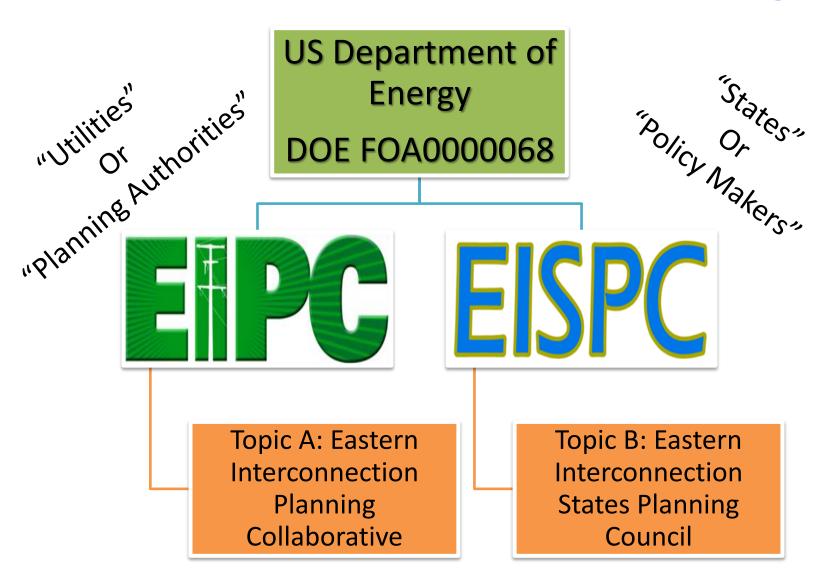
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### **Eastern Interconnection Planning**



Provide
Policy Input
to the EIPC

Convene
State Energy
Offices and
State Utility
Commissions

Conduct Studies and White Papers

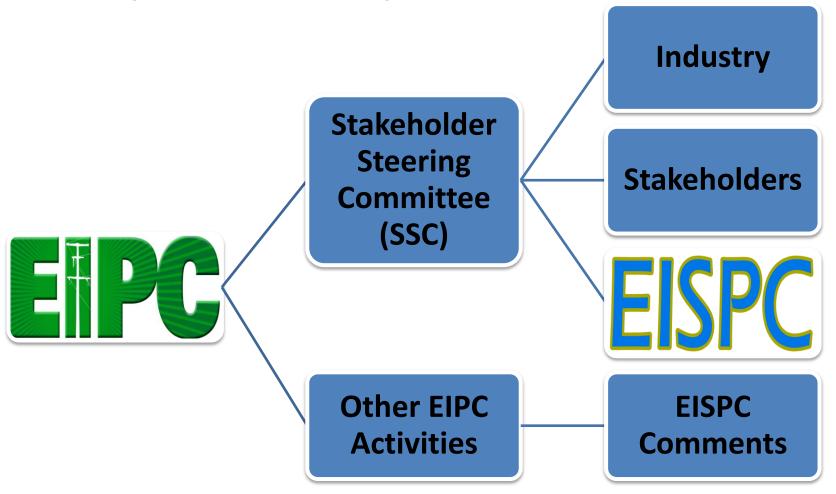
## **Convening Role for State Energy Offices and Utility Commissions**

EISPC provides a forum for the 39 states, the District of Columbia, the City of New Orleans, and 6 Canadian provinces that compose the Fastern Interconnection to discuss and analyze immediate and long-term issues of mutual concern. The EISPC forum, because it requires consensus, serves as an "honest broker" for objective public policy analysis with an emphasis on collaboration and advancing the analytical tools available to states. There are two representatives per state including one commissioner and a designee of the Governor.



Stars on the map represent past locations of EISPC Council Meetings

Participation in Topic A (EIPC) Activities



1/3 of the SCC membership are EISPC representatives

## Studies and White Papers

The purpose of the studies and white papers are to inform states and stakeholders on the inputs of transmission planning to ensure productive policy within the states and provide a level of regulatory certainty to the EIPC.

## Relevant Studies and White Papers

#### **Changing Resource Mix**

- State by State Demand Side Resources
- Current and Future Direction of the Coal Industry
- Current and Future Direction of the Nuclear Industry
- Electric and Natural Gas Interdependencies

#### **Energy Zones**

- Transmission Planning
- Energy Zones Mapping Tool
- State by State Public Policy Inventory

#### Load Growth Patterns / Existing Transmission

- Co-Optimization
- Load Forecasting Case Studies

## **Energy Zones Mapping Tool**

Web-Based GIS Tool

Includes nine (9) clean energy resource categories

Used to locate areas with high suitability for clean power generation in the EI

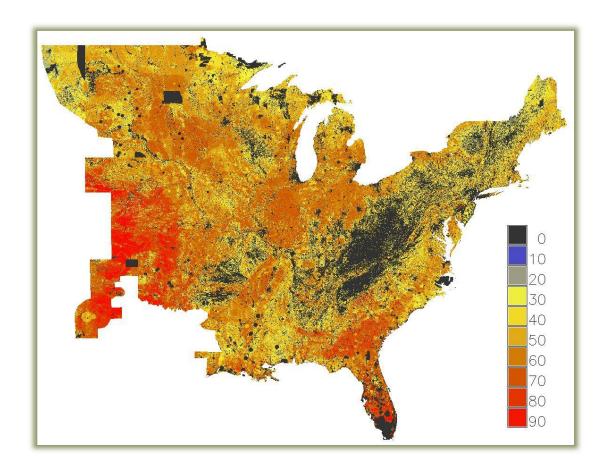
Searchable Energy Policy and Regulations Database

Available at http://eispctools.anl.gov

## Model for Utility-scale Solar Photovoltaic

#### Input Modeling Layers:

- -Energy Potential: Solar PV
- -Slope
- -Land Cover Area
- -Population Density
- -Distance to Transmission
- -Protected Lands
- -Habitat





#### **RESOURCE LINKS**

EISPC - www.eispc.org

NARUC's EISPC Page - www.naruc.org/eispc

EIPC - www.eipconline.org

Mapping Tool - http://eispctools.anl.gov

## **Appendix Slides**

Lists All Studies and White Papers

## **Overview of Completed Reports**

Market Structures and Transmission Planning Processes in the Eastern Interconnection

- Christensen Associates
- June 2012, http://bit.ly/EISPCmkt

**Economics of Resource Adequacy** 

- Astrape Consulting,
- January 2013, http://bit.ly/EISPCra

Assessment of Demand-Side Resources within the Eastern Interconnection

- Navigant Consulting
- March 2013, http://bit.ly/EISPCdsr

Assessment of the Nuclear Power Industry

- Navigant
- June 2013, http://bit.ly/EISPCnclr

## Overview of Completed Reports (continued)

Current State and Future
Direction of Coal-fired Power in
the Eastern Interconnection

- ICF International
- June 2013 http://bit.ly/EISPCcoalS
- http://bit.ly/EISPCcoalWP

Co-Optimization of Transmission and Other Supply Resources

- 5 Universities and NREL
- September 2013, http://bit.ly/EISPCco

**Clean Energy Zones Study** 

- Clean Energy States Alliance, ANL, ORNL, and NREL
- October 2013, http://bit.ly/EISPCez

Transmission Planning Whitepaper

- Navigant
- January 2014, http://bit.ly/EISPCtp

#### **Reports Underway**

**Electric and Natural Gas Infrastructure Requirements** 

 Study: ICF International;
 Whitepaper: Illinois Institute of Technology,
 September2014

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 White Paper: Illinois Institute of Technology, October 2014

Probabilistic Risk Assessment for Transmission and other Resource Planning Study

 Electric Power Research Institute, November 2014

Incorporation of Risk Analysis into Planning Processes

• Electric Power Research Institute, November 2014

## Reports Underway (Continued)

## **Application of the Energy Zones Mapping Tool**

- Illinois Institute of Technology
- October 2014

## Clean Energy Zones Public Policy inventory and Database

 Clean Energy States Alliance, January 2015

## Data Mining of the EIPC Phase I and II Build Out Scenarios

- Navigant Consulting
- December 2014

## Co-Optimization Demonstration

- Energy Exemplar
- January 2015

#### **Load Forecasting Study**

- University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- January 2015