

Comment Template for the Annual Policy Roadmap Process

This is a comment template for the Annual Policy Initiatives Roadmap process based on the discussion of the proposed changes for the development of the Annual Policy Initiatives Roadmap process on the Oct 25 call. This purpose of this form is to understand what stakeholders like to do with existing submissions. Do not use this form to request or propose initiatives for 2024. Such requests can be made in our 2024 Annual Roadmap and Catalog process page. Please email comment template to ISOStakeholderaffairs@caiso.com at your earliest convenience.

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1. The ISO is considering two options to assess submissions from the 2023 Catalog for inclusion in future Catalogs: (1) allow stakeholders to resubmit any previous submissions that remain a priority for them and that align with ISO strategic goals, or (2) convene stakeholder working groups to review 2023 Catalog submissions and identify and group submissions that should be prioritized. Please note your preference or describe an alternative option.

The Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District (SRP) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) proposed changes for the development of the Annual Policy Initiatives Roadmap process. SRP recommends that the CAISO allow stakeholders a one-time resubmission of prior inputs for prioritization. This process facilitates continuity and ensures that stakeholder input remains relevant to the evolving needs and goals. While the option of convening stakeholder working groups to review submissions is valid, it may introduce complexity and potential delays. Allowing direct resubmission allows stakeholders to maintain the focus on their most critical initiatives, streamlining the process.

2. Please provide any additional feedback on the proposed Catalog and Roadmap process described in the October 24, 2023 stakeholder update call.

SRP appreciates the CAISO's efforts to improve the roadmap and catalog process by enhancing transparency and engagement through stakeholder workshops and the Regional Issues Forum (RIF) roundtable. These steps are commendable in fostering collaboration and meaningful involvement. However, it remains unclear how influential the feedback gathered during this prioritization process will be in shaping the final selection of initiatives. Clarity regarding the criteria and processes guiding the ultimate decision-making may strengthen stakeholder confidence and participation. The criteria that the CAISO will use for ensuring that initiatives align with strategic goals and internal planning processes remain unclear. This lack of clarity may leave stakeholders unsure about how their input and prioritization efforts will be integrated. SRP requests that the CAISO provide transparency in the prioritization process. Well-defined criteria may empower stakeholders to make more informed contributions and also enhance

transparency and fairness within the roadmap and catalog process. SRP also requests the CAISO provide clarity regarding the process for stakeholders to submit urgent requests that are outside of the annual roadmap and catalog process and any impact such request will have on the prioritization of any ongoing or discretionary initiatives. Lastly, SRP encourages the CAISO to share how it intends to measure success and effectiveness of the new roadmap and catalog process.

SRP understands the prioritization process requires flexibility and may be complex. However, establishing transparent criteria will serve as a guide for stakeholders, ensuring that their input is genuinely considered and helping align the initiatives with the CAISO's and WEIM overarching objectives.