

2018 Avista Natural Gas IRP

Technical Advisory Committee Meeting January 25, 2018

Agenda

- Introductions & Logistics
- Safety Moment
- Purpose of IRP and Avista's IRP Process
- System Wide Peak Day
- Avista's Demand Overview and 2016 IRP Revisited
- Economic Outlook and Customer Count Forecast
- Demand Forecast Methodology
- Dynamic Demand Forecasting
- Demand Side Management
- Questions/Wrap Up





Safety Moment

Make it Safe, Make it Personal, Make it Home



2018 IRP Timeline

- August 31, 2017 Work Plan filed with WUTC
- January through May 2018 Technical Advisory Committee meetings. Meeting topics will include:
 - TAC 1: Thursday, January 25, 2018: TAC meeting expectations, review of 2016 IRP acknowledgement letters, customer forecast, and demand-side management (DSM) update.
 - TAC 2: Thursday, February 22, 2018: Weather analysis, environmental policies, market dynamics, price forecasts, cost of carbon.
 - TAC 3: Thursday, March 29, 2018: Distribution, supply-side resources overview, overview of the major interstate pipelines, RNG overview and future potential resources.
 - TAC 4: Thursday, May 10, 2018: DSM results, stochastic modeling and supply-side options, final portfolio results, and 2020 Action Items.
- June 1, 2018 Draft of IRP document to TAC
- June 29, 2018 Comments on draft due back to Avista
- July 2018 TAC final review meeting (if necessary)
- August 31, 2018 File finalized IRP document



IRP Calendar

2018

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| ETO & AEG DSM Analysis |
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| 2018 Avista Scenario Analysis |
| TAC Meetings |
| Draft Sent out/due for TAC Members |
| Draft IRP sections due to Tom by COB |
| IRP Filing Date in ID, OR, WA |
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Purpose of Integrated Resource Planning

- Comprehensive long-range resource planning tool
- Fully integrates forecasted demand requirements with potential demand side and supply side resources
- Process determines the least cost, risk adjusted means for meeting demand requirements for our firm residential, commercial and industrial customers
- Responsive to Idaho, Oregon and Washington rules and/or orders

Avista's IRP Process

- Comprehensive analysis bringing demand forecasting and existing and potential supply-side and demand-side resources together into a 20-year, risk adjusted least-cost plan
- Considers:
 - Customer growth and usage
 - Weather planning standard
 - Demand-side management opportunities
 - Existing and potential supply-side resource options
 - Risk
 - Public participation through Technical Advisory Committee meetings (TAC)
 - Distribution upgrades
- 2016 IRP filed in all three jurisdictions on
- ⁷ August 31, 2016 and acknowledged



The Natural Gas System







Avista's Demand Overview and 2016 IRP Re-Visited

Tom Pardee Manager of Natural Gas Planning

Avista's Demand Overview



Service Territory and Customer Overview

- Serves electric and natural gas customers in eastern Washington and northern Idaho, and natural gas customers in southern and eastern Oregon
 - Population of service area 1.5 million
 - 371,000 electric customers
 - 348,000 natural gas customers
- Has one of the smallest carbon footprints among America's 100 largest investor-owned utilities
- Committed to environmental stewardship and efficient use of resources

| State | Total Customers | % of Total |
|------------|-----------------|------------|
| Washington | 163,000 | 47% |
| Oregon | 102,000 | 29% |
| Idaho | 83,000 | 24% |
| Total | 348,000 | 100% |





2017 Customer Make Up and Demand Mix



Seasonal Demand Profiles



Residential —Commercial —Industrial

OR Daily Demand Profiles



*Data is from 2006-2017

WA-ID Daily Demand Profiles





System Wide Peak Day



January 5, 2017

| AREA_CODE | Min | Max | Average | HDD |
|---------------|-----|-----|---------|-----|
| Spokane | -3 | 14 | 6 | 59 |
| La Grande | -9 | 9 | 0 | 65 |
| Klamath Falls | -19 | 8 | -6 | 71 |
| Medford | 14 | 32 | 23 | 42 |
| Roseburg | 19 | 35 | 27 | 38 |

| Area | Coldest in 20 Year HDD | Coldest on Record HDD |
|---------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| WA-ID | 76 | 82 |
| Klamath Falls | 72 | 72 |
| La Grande | 74 | 74 |
| Medford | 54 | 61 |
| Roseburg | 48 | 55 |



System Wide Peak Day – 1/5/2017





System Wide Peak Day – 1/5/2017 by class





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Avista's 2016 Natural Gas IRP Re-Visited























Oregon IRP Forecast vs. Actual (Industrial Use per Customer and Customer Count)



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First Year Peak Demand Not Met with Existing Resources Scenario Comparisons







Expected Case – Medford/Roseburg





Expected Case – Klamath Falls





Expected Case – La Grande





Our Biggest Risk Last IRP "Flat Demand" Risk







2016 IRP Final Action Items

IPUC

- Staff believes public participation could be further enhanced through "bill stuffers, public flyers, local media, individual invitations, and other methods."
- Result: Avista utilized it's Regional Business Managers in addition to digital communications and newsletters in all states in order to try and gain more public participation. Previous IRP's relied on website data and word of mouth.
 - eCommunity newsletter was sent out on January 15, 2018



OPUC

- Staff Recommendation No. 1
 - Staff recommends in Avista's 2018 IRP that Avista pursue an updated methodology, wherein the low/high gas price curves continue to be based on low (high) historic prices in a Monte Carlo setting, but are inflated to match the growth rate (yr/yr) of the expected price curve. The resulting curves would be based on historic prices and also produce symmetric .risk profiles throughout the time horizon.
- Staff Recommendation No. 2
 - Staff recommends that Avista forecast its number of customers using at least two different methods and to compare the accuracy of the different methods using actual data as a future task in its next IRP.
 - Result: Avista analyzed the data, but there was nothing material discovered the come up with a meaningful forecast alternative.
- Staff Recommendation No. 3
 - Avista's 2018 IRP will contain a dynamic DSM program structure in its analytics.
 - In, prior IRPs, it was a deterministic method based on Expected Case assumptions, in the 2018 IRP, each portion will have the ability to select conservation to meet unserved customer demand, Avista will explore methods to enable a dynamic analytical process for the evaluation of conservation potential within individual portfolios and will work with Energy Trust of Oregon in the development of this process and in producing any final results for its 2018 IRP for Oregon customers.



OPUC cont.

- Staff Recommendation No. 4
 - Staff recommends that Avista provide Staff and stakeholders with updates regarding its discussions and analysis regarding possible regional pipeline projects that may move forward.
- Staff Recommendation No. 5
 - Staff recommends that in its 2018 IRP process Avista work with Staff and stakeholders to establish and complete stochastic analysis that considers a range of alternative portfolios for comparison and consideration of both cost and risk.
- Staff Recommendation No. 6
 - Environmental Considerations
 - 1. Carbon Policy including federal and state regulations, specifically those surrounding the Washington Clean Air Rule and federal Clean Power Plan;
 - 2. Weather analysis specific to Avista's service territories;
 - 3. Stochastic Modeling and supply resources; and
 - 4. Updated DSM methodology including the integration of ETO


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- Include a section that discusses impacts of the Clean Air Rule (CAR).
 - In its 2018 IRP expected case, Avista should model specific CAR impacts as well as consider the costs and risk of additional environmental regulations, including a possible carbon tax.
- Provide more detail on the company's natural gas hedging strategy, including information on upper and lower pricing points, transactions with counterparties, and how diversification of the portfolio is achieved.
- Ensure that the entity performing the CPA evaluates and includes the following information:
 - All conservation measures excluded from the CPA, including those excluded prior to technical potential determination
 - The rationale for excluding any measure
 - A description of Unit Energy Savings (UES) for each measure included in the CPA, specifying how it was derived and the source of the data
 - The rationale for any difference in economic and achievable potential savings, including how the Company is working towards an achievable target of 85 percent of economic potential savings.
 - A description of all efforts to create a fully-balanced cost effectiveness metric within the planning horizon based on the TRC.

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- Discuss with the TAC:
 - The results of Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance (NEEA) coordination, including non-energy benefits to include in the CPA.
 - The appropriateness of listing and mapping all prospective distribution system enhancement projects planned on the 20 year horizon, and comparing actual projects completed to prospective projects listed in previous IRP's.
- Provide a rationale for any difference in economic and achievable potential savings



2017 – 2018 Avista's Action Plan

- The price of natural gas has dropped significantly since the 2014 IRP. This is primarily due to the amount of economically extractable natural gas in shale formations, more efficient drilling techniques, and warmer than normal weather. Wells have been drilled, but left uncompleted due to the poor market economics. This is depressing natural gas prices and forcing many oil and natural gas companies into bankruptcy. Due to historically low prices Avista will research market opportunities including procuring a derivative based contract, 10-year forward strip, and natural gas reserves.
- Result: After exploring the opportunity of some type of reserves ownership, it was determined the price as compared to risk of ownership was inappropriate to go forward with at this time. As an ongoing aspect of managing the business, Avista will continue to look for opportunities to help stabilize rates and/or reduce risk to our customers.
- Monitor actual demand for accelerated growth to address resource deficiencies arising from exposure to "flat demand" risk. This will include providing Commission Staff with IRP demand forecast-to-actual variance analysis on customer growth and use-per-customer at least bi-annually.
- Result: actual demand was closely tracked and shared with Commissions in semi-annual or quarterly meetings.



Ongoing Activities

- Continue to monitor supply resource trends including the availability and price of natural gas to the region, LNG exports, methanol plants, supply and market dynamics and pipeline and storage infrastructure availability.
- Monitor availability of resource options and assess new resource lead-time requirements relative to resource need to preserve flexibility.
- Meet regularly with Commission Staff to provide information on market activities and significant changes in assumptions and/or status of Avista activities related to the IRP or natural gas procurement practices.
- Appropriate management of existing resources including optimizing underutilized resources to help reduce costs to customers.





Avista Natural Gas Forecasting

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Load Forecasts-Two Step Process

- First, forecast customers (C) by month by schedule (s) by residential (r), commercial (c), industrial (i)—for example, C_{t,y,s,r}
- Forecast use per customer (U) by month by schedule by class—for example, U_{t,y,s.r}
- Load forecast (L) is the product of the two:

 $L_{t,y,s,r} = C_{t,y,s,r} X U_{t,y,s,r}$ For weather sensitive schedules a 20-yr MA defines normal weather.



The Basic Forecast Approach





System Industrial Customers, 2004-2017



Getting to Population as a Driver, 2018-2023 & 2024-2037



Kootenai and Jackson: IHS population growth forecasts for 2024-2037

Spokane: OFM population growth forecasts for 2024-2037

OR Union, Klamath, and Douglas counties: IHS population growth forecasts for 2018-2037

Interpolation assumes:
$$P_N = P_0 e^{rN}$$

The Relationship Between Classes

Residential customer growth is approximately equal to population growth in the long-run.

Commercial customer growth is highly correlated with residential growth in the long-run.

Year-over-year Growth, Gas Correlations by Class, Jan. 2005-Jan 2016

| Customers | Resident | al | Commercial | Industrial | | Load | Residential | Commercial | Industrial |
|-------------|----------|----|------------|------------|---|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| Residential | 1.00 | | | | | Residential | 1.00 | | |
| Commercial | 0.80 | | 1.00 | | | Commercial | 0.94 | 1.00 | |
| Industrial | -0.38 | | -0.23 | 1.00 | | Industrial | 0.21 | 0.24 | 1.00 |
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Industrial's correlation to residential is lower and negative. Customer numbers stable or slightly declining.



WA-ID Region Firm Customers: 2018 IRP and 2016 IRP



— WA-ID Base 2018

OR Region Firm Customers: 2018 IRP and 2016 IRP



•OR Base 2016 — OR Base 2018

Medford, OR Region Firm Customers: 2018 IRP and 2016 IRP



Medford Base 2016 — Medford Base 2018

Roseburg, OR Region Firm Customers: 2018 IRP and 2016 IRP



Roseburg Base 2016 —— Roseburg Base 2018

Klamath, OR Region Firm Customers: 2018 IRP and 2016 IRP



La Grande, OR Region Firm Customers: 2018 IRP and 2016 IRP



System Firm Customers: 2018 IRP and 2016 IRP



WA-ID-OR Base 2016

WA-ID-OR Base 2018

WA-ID Region Firm Customer Range, 2018-2037



OR Region Firm Customer Range, 2018-2037



System Firm Customer Range, 2018-2037



Summary of Growth Rates

| System | Base-Case | High | Low | |
|-------------|-----------|------|-------|--|
| eystem | | | 1011 | |
| Residential | 1.2% | 1.6% | 0.9% | |
| Commercial | 0.7% | 1.0% | 0.3% | |
| Industrial | -0.3% | 2.2% | -3.3% | |
| Total | 1.2% | 1.5% | 0.8% | |
| | | | | |
| WA | Base-Case | High | Low | |
| Residential | 1.2% | 1.5% | 0.9% | |
| Commercial | 0.7% | 1.0% | 0.4% | |
| Industrial | -0.8% | 1.9% | -3.1% | |
| Total | 1.2% | 1.5% | 0.8% | |
| | | | | |
| ID | Base-Case | High | Low | |
| Residential | 1.5% | 2.0% | 1.0% | |
| Commercial | 0.6% | 1.1% | 0.1% | |
| Industrial | 0.1% | 1.7% | -2.7% | |
| Total | 1.4% | 1.9% | 0.9% | |
| | | | | |
| OR | Base-Case | High | Low | |
| Residential | 1.0% | 1.3% | 0.6% | |
| Commercial | 0.7% | 1.1% | 0.4% | |
| Industrial | 0.1% | 4.7% | -7.8% | |
| Total | 0.9% | 1.3% | 0.6% | |

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Forecasting with Permits or Housing Starts

- Potential data sources have poor coverage in our service territory or series are not long enough. This is especially a problem for non-MSA areas like Roseburg, Klamath, and La Grande.
- IHS has annual and quarterly housing start data only for MSAs. IHS's MSA housing starts are estimates:

"We then use the permits-to-starts ratio for the national and regional level from the Census that is released every year to derive the starts. Unfortunately, until recently, the census only has these ratios at the national and regional level. As a consequence, we use this ratio for any county, metro and state within the region to derive our starts from."

- Prior use of IHS housing start forecasts resulted in significant over forecasting of customers.
- NAHB also produces a housing start series, but their data only covers fairly large MSAs.

Estimating the IMPACT of LEAP in WA: Residential Customers



Estimating the IMPACT of LEAP in WA: Residential Growth Rates



WA 2016 IRP Growth Residential

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WA 2018 LEAP Growth Residential



Demand Forecast Methodology

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Temperature & Degree Days



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Natural Gas Demand Forecasting



Weather

- NOAA 20 year actual average daily HDD's (1998-2017)
- Peak weather includes two winter storms (5 day duration), one in December and one in February
- Planning Standard coldest day on record
- Sensitivity around planning standard including
 - Normal/Average
 - Coldest in 20 years
 - Monte Carlo simulation



The Use per Customer Forecast cont.



Historical data is used to determine initial base and heat coefficients.

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 Adjustments are made to incorporate DSM and price elastic responses.

Residential – UPC and Weather



Residential – UPC and Weather







Base Coefficients



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July and August Average

Demand Modeling Equation – a closer look

SENDOUT® requires inputs expressed in the below format to compute daily demand in dekatherms. The **base** and **weather sensitive** usage (degree-day usage) factors are developed outside the model and capture a variety of demand usage assumptions.

 Table 3.2 Basic Demand Formula

of customers x Daily base usage / customer

Plus

of customers x Daily weather sensitive usage / customer



Developing a Reference Case



- 1. Expected customer count forecast by each of the 5 areas
- Use per customer coefficients Flat all classes, 5 year, 3 year or last year average use per HDD per customer
- 3. Weather planning standard coldest day on record
 - WA/ID 82; Medford 61; Roseburg 55; Klamath 72; La Grande 74





Dynamic Demand Methodology

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Dynamic Demand Methodology

Demand Influencing

 Conditions that **DIRECTLY** affect core customer volume consumed



Price Influencing

PRICE SENSITIVE
 conditions that, through price
 elasticity, INDIRECTLY affect
 core customer volume
 consumed




Demand Drivers



Customer Growth and Mix – Demand Influencing

- Key driver in demand growth
- Can change the timing and/or location of resource needs
- Currently we model expected, high, and low growth scenarios
- New construction vs. conversions
- Residential/Commercial/Industrial vs. Transportation
- New uses CNG/NGV



Weather Standard – Demand Influencing

- Has the potential to significantly change timing of resource needs
- Significant qualitative considerations
 - No infrastructure response time if standard exceeded
 - Significant safety and property damage risks
- Current Peak HDD Planning Standards
 - WA/ID 82
 - Medford 61
 - Roseburg 55
 - Klamath 72
 - La Grande 74



Technology – Demand Influencing

- Demand side management initiatives will reduce demand **HOWEVER**, it is dependent upon customers willingness/ability to participate.
- Development of new uses for natural gas
 - CNG
 - NGV
 - LNG
 - ???NG
- Demand response (Smart Grid)
- New technologies in Demand Side Management



Price Elasticity Factors Defined

- Price elasticity is usually expressed as a numerical factor that defines the relationship of a consumer's consumption change in response to price change.
- Typically, the factor is a negative number as consumers normally reduce their consumption in response to higher prices or will increase their consumption in response to lower prices.
- For example, a price elasticity factor of -0.13 means:
 - A 10% price increase will prompt a 1.3% consumption decrease
 - A 10% price **decrease** will prompt a 1.3%
- consumption **increase**

Price Elasticity

- Establishes factors for use in other price influencing scenarios
- Very complex relationship we use historical data however.....
 - Historical data has DSM, rate changes (PGA, general rate, etc.), economic conditions, technological changes, etc.
 - History is not necessarily the best predictor of future behavior



Price Elasticity Assumptions From 2018 IRP

| Elasticity Assumption | Real Price annual increase within 30% |
|--------------------------|--|
| High | Negative .20 |
| Expected | Negative .10 |
| Low | No response |

Expected Elasticity is derived from Medford and Roseburg and applied to all areas



3rd Party Demand Trends – Price Influencing

- Gas fired generation
- Coal plant retirements driving gas for power
- CNG/NGV Transportation Fleets
- Export LNG
- Non-firm customer trends
- Mexico Exports

Supply Trends – Price Influencing

- Shale is Everywhere
- LNG Export

 Associated gas from Oil – 25% of overall US production





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Pipeline Trends – Price Influencing

- Regional Pipeline Proposals
 - Sumas Express
 - Pacific Connector from Jordan Cove LNG
 - Trail West/N-Max (GTN to NWP Molalla area)
- National Pipeline Proposals
- International Pipeline Proposals
 - T-South Looping
 - NGTL Westpath Expansion
 - Southern Crossing Expansion





Other Supply Issues – Price Influencing

- Storage
- Climate Change and Carbon Legislation
- Energy Correlations
- Extraction cost

Sensitivities, Scenarios, Portfolios



Sensitivities for 2018 IRP

| | | | DEMAND INFLUENCING - DIRECT | | | | | | | PRICE INFLUENCING - INDIRECT | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--|--|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| INPUT ASSUMPTIONS | Reference Case | Reference Plus Peak Case | Low Cust Growth | High Cust Growth | No Conversion to natural gas Growth | Alternate Weather Std | DSM Case | Peak plus DSM Case | Demand Desctruction Reference Case | Demand Destruction Reference Plus Peak | Alternate Historical UPC Case | Expected Elasticity | Low Prices | High Prices | Carbon Legislation |
| Customer Growth Rate | Reference | Reference Plus | Low Growth | High Growth | Reference minus LEAP | Reference | Reference | Reference | Reference | Reference | Reference | Reference | Reference | Reference | Reference |
| Use per Customer | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical less demand destruction | 3 Year Historical less demand destruction | 5 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical | 3 Year Historical |
| Weather Planning Standard | 20 Year Normal | Coldest on Record | Coldest on Record | Coldest on Record | Coldest on Record | Coldest in 20yrs | Normal | Coldest on Record | Normal | Coldest on Record | Coldest on Record | Coldest on Record | Coldest on Record | Coldest on Record | Coldest on Record |
| Demand Side Management Programs Included | No | No | No | No | No | No | Expected | Expected | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Prices Price curve | Expected | Expected | Expected | Expected | Expected | Expected | Expected | Expected | Expected | Expected | Expected | Expected | Low | High | High/Medium/Low |
| Price curve adder (\$/Dth) | None | None | None | None | None | None | None | None | None | None | None | | | | High/Medium/Low |
| Elasticity | None | None | None | None | None | None | None | None | None | None | None | Expected | Expected | Expected | Expected |





2018 Natural Gas IRP DSM - Energy Efficiency

Amber Gifford & Ryan Finesilver First Technical Advisory Committee Meeting January 25, 2018

Demand Side Management (DSM)

The process of helping customers use energy more efficiently.

The term DSM is used interchangeably with Energy Efficiency and Conservation.

DSM Programs benefit the IRP by contributing to the deferral of plant assets.



Team Roles





Oregon DSM Programs

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Who DSM Serves **Kettle Falls** Sandpoint Noxon Seattle Spokane Coeur d'Alene Olympia Washington Othello Jackson Prairie Moscow Pullman Natural Gas Storage Clarkston ewiston Goldendale Three Idaho Stevenson ulletGrangeville 0 Portland Jurisdictions La Grande Oregon (ETO except 6 • Salem IDAH for Low-Income) OREGON Boise Roseburg Residential Multiple Industrial/Commercial Customer Low-Income Segments Residential **Generation facilities** Aids in reducing The overall capacity High-voltage switchyard Company's **Defers** capital • Infrastructure **Distribution line** investments Transformer Substation

Transmission lines

DSM Funding – Natural Gas

SCHEDULE 191

DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT RATE ADJUSTMENT - WASHINGTON

APPLICABLE:

To Customers in the State of Washington where the Company has natural gas service available. This Demand Side Management Rate Adjustment or Rate Adjustment shall be applicable to all retail customers taking service under Schedules 101, 111, 112, 121, 122, 131, and 132. This Rate Adjustment is designed to recover costs incurred by the Company associated with providing Demand Side Management services and programs to customers.

MONTHLY RATE:

The energy charges of the individual rate schedules are to be increased by the following amounts:

Schedule 101 Schedule 111 & 112 \$0.03472 per Therm \$0.02475 per Therm

Tariff percentage of customer bill by state:





\$8.5 Million Annual Funding (2017)





WA Gas Targets to Actual Savings



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ID Gas Targets to Actual Savings



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Therm Savings



DSM Business Planning

Conservation Potential Assessment (CPA)

- Primary Objectives
 - Meet legislative and regulatory requirements
 - Support integrated resource planning
 - Identify opportunities for savings; key measures in target segments
- Key Deliverables
 - 20-year conservation potential
 - Individual measures
 - IRP target



Conservation Potential Assessment

| Technical Potential | Theoretical upper limit of conservation All efficiency measures are phased in regardless of cost |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Achievable Technical Potential | Realistically achievable, accounting for adoption rates and how quickly programs can be implemented Does not consider cost-effectiveness of measures |
| Achievable Potential | Includes economic screening of measures (cost effectiveness) Informs our IRP Target |



Business Planning Process





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Energy Efficiency Advisory Group



Incentive Setting



Significant Costs and Benefits

COSTS

Administration

(e.g., program design, development, operations, maintenance, overhead, customer service, marketing & outreach, sales, IT infrastructure, customer education, program evaluation, measurement & verification)

•Measure (Capital) Costs

(equipment costs incurred by the utility and participants)

Incentives

Revenue Loss

(bill reductions)

Participant Costs

(Other than capital costs – value of service lost & transaction costs)

BENEFITS

Avoided Costs

(complex)

Tax Credits

(currently available for DG only)

- Market/Reliability Benefits
- Non-energy benefits
- Incentives
- •Bill reductions









2018 IRP Timeline

- August 31, 2017 Work Plan filed with WUTC
- January through May 2018 Technical Advisory Committee meetings. Meeting topics will include:
 - TAC 1: Thursday, January 25, 2018: TAC meeting expectations, review of 2016 IRP acknowledgement letters, customer forecast, and demand-side management (DSM) update.
 - TAC 2: Thursday, February 22, 2018: Weather analysis, environmental policies, market dynamics, price forecasts, cost of carbon.
 - TAC 3: Thursday, March 29, 2018 : Distribution, supply-side resources overview, overview of the major interstate pipelines, RNG overview and future potential resources.
 - TAC 4: Thursday, May 10, 2018: DSM results, stochastic modeling and supply-side options, final portfolio results, and 2020 Action Items.
- June 1, 2018 Draft of IRP document to TAC
- June 29, 2018 Comments on draft due back to Avista
- July 2018 TAC final review meeting (if necessary)
- August 31, 2018 File finalized IRP document

