

# Pacific Northwest Smart Grid Demonstration Project

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# **Discussion Topics**

- Introduce the project and the potential impact to the region and the nation
- Project plan brief
- Q & A





# **Regional Smart Grid Outlook**

- Unique in geographic scale and scope of grid engagement
- Seek to validate both local and regional grid benefits of smart grid
- Touches on key regional/national energy agenda for renewables, efficiency, reliability, consumer engagement and choice
- Linked to other smart grid and energy activities
  - Western system smart grid phasor build-out
  - Renewables integration
  - Efficiency and carbon benefits of smart grid
- Positions the region for leadership overall grid and energy agenda



## Other Regional Smart Grid Activities

- Opportunity to include other regional smart grid deployments
- Consideration of transmission, renewable integration strategies, energy storage will be informed by smart grid demonstration
- Western Interconnection Phasor Network smart grid investment grant award (\$108M)
  - Wide area monitoring and control
  - Aid renewable integration, unlock transmission
  - BPA, PacifiCorp, Idaho Power represent region







This project is a cornerstone of the Pacific Northwest regional electric agenda. Coordination with other activities positions the region for continued leadership in transforming our electric power system.



### About the Project (PNW-SGDP)

- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) award to demonstrate how smart grid technology can enhance the safety, reliability and efficiency of energy delivery
- Substantially increase smart grid asset installation in the region by purchasing and installing smart grid technology
  - Over 60,000 metered customers directly affected
  - 112 MW of responsive resources (loads and generation) engaged
  - 12 utilities with 15 distinct sites over 5 states
- Demonstrate coordination of smart grid assets locally and across the region using innovative communication and control system
  - Hierarchical communication—from generation through transmission and distribution, and then onward to the end users
  - Transactive control—innovative incentive signal that coordinates smart grid resources to support regional needs for transmission, reliability, renewables, etc.



## **Goals and Objectives**

### Goals:

- Validate new smart grid technologies and inform business cases
- Provide two-way communication between distributed generation, storage, and demand assets and the existing grid infrastructure
- Quantify smart grid costs and benefits
- Advance interoperability standards and cyber security approaches

### **Objectives:**

- Manage peak demand
- Facilitate integration of wind and other renewables
- Address constrained resources
- Select economical resources
- Improve system efficiency
- Improve system reliability
  - Load Management
  - Conservation Voltage Reduction
  - Distributed generation

Regional effort extensible to large portions of the United States



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- Battelle Memorial Institute, Pacific Northwest Division
- Bonneville Power Administration
- 12 utilities and their vendors
- 5 technology infrastructure partners

### **Participant Site Locations**



## **Project Timeline**

	2010		2011	2012		2013	2014	
	6							
Phase 1 - Design	months							
			24					
Phase 2 - Build Out			months					_
						24		
Phase 3 - Data Collection						months		
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Phase 4 - Cost Benefit Analysis & Reporting								months

- Notification of Award 11/25/2009
- Cooperative Agreement Signed 1/29/2010
- Detailed Design, 1/1/10 6/30/10
- Installation of infrastructure, 7/1/10-6/30/12
- All sites up and running, 7/1/12-6/30/14
- Evaluation and analysis, 7/1/14-12/30/14
- Periodic progress reports are required:
  - Monthly financial reports to DOE
  - Semi-annual program review meetings
  - Technical reports
  - Up to five presentations/meetings to DOE Final project reports and presentations

### **Project Basics**

- Install and implement a unique distributed communication, control and incentive system
- Use a combination of devices, software and advanced analytical tools to enable consumers to manage their electric energy use
- Collect data over a 24-month consecutive period to provide insights into consumers' behavior while testing new technologies

### Key attributes:

- Leave an installed operational base of smart grid assets and successful operational strategies for the region
- Stimulate the regional and national economy by creating approximately 1,500 jobs and a vibrant smart grid industry

## Project Basics (cont'd)

### **Operational objectives:**

- Manage peak demand
- Facilitate renewable resources
- Address constrained resources
- Improve system reliability and efficiency
- Select economical resources (optimize the system)



Aggregation of Power and Signals Occurs Through a Hierarchy of Interfaces

## **Outreach and Education**

#### Partner Utilities





12 million people in region
60,000 impacted customers

#### **Educational Institutions**

**General Public & End Users** 



- Regional Colleges and Universities,
  - University of Washington/SCL collaboration (sub-project site at UW)
  - Washington State University/Avista collaboration (coursework)
- Establishment of new university partnerships, educational outreach • Local Schools

#### **Over 100 Non-partner Utilities**



**Central Outreach** 

PNW Smart Grid Project Outreach Arm

#### **Energy Organizations**



- Also, NW Energy Leadership Orgs:
  - Northwest Power Planning Council
  - Northwest Power Pool
  - Northwest Utility Trade Associations

Tribes

#### Government



•States (via governor offices): • Washington (Olympia)

- Idaho (Boise)
- Oregon (Salem)
  Montana (Helena)
- Wyoming (Cheyenne)

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NW Congressional Delegation Western Governors Assoc, Local Gov & PUCs



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## **Direct PNW-SGDP Value**

- Economic stimulus \$178 million over five years
  - 1,500 jobs at peak
  - Spur adoption of new technology
  - Updated infrastructure and improved reliability
- Cost-benefit analysis to guide utilities in making future technology investments
- Increased automation for utilities to deliver improved services and value
- System optimization through two-way communication from electricity generation to the consumer
- Potential reduction in greenhouse gases and carbon footprints through better integration of renewable resources



Enduring smart grid infrastructure lays the foundation for future smart grid deployment in the Pacific Northwest



### Questions