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# Standards Prioritization

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- High Priority Projects- addressing a significant risk and that often include a firm timeline to complete.
- Criteria
  - NERC or FERC directive with a set due date;
  - NERC work plan priority;
  - Compliance feedback or study to address a specific risk; or
  - Stakeholder feedback to address a specific risk

- Medium - must steadily progress but do not include a firm timeline.
- Criteria
  - Tandem projects to a high priority project;
  - Address an emerging risk;
  - Outstanding regulatory directives without a regulatory deadline;
  - Stakeholder feedback to address a specific risk; or
  - Reliability Standard clarification

- Low – will be advanced as time and resources permit.
- Criteria
  - Outstanding requirements that are known candidates for retirement;
  - Stakeholder feedback to address a specific risk; or
  - Reliability Standard correction

- Feb 2024:
  - 2021-07 Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination
- May 2024:
  - 2023-03 Internal Network Security Monitoring and Virtualization
  - 2016-02 Modifications to CIP Standards
- Oct 2024\*:
  - IBR performance and disturbance monitoring projects related to FERC Order 901 Milestone 2
- Dec 2024\*:
  - 2023-07 Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements for Extreme Weather
  - 2023-04 Modifications to CIP-003
  - Any remaining high priority projects

*\* Denotes anticipated adoption dates*

- Feb 2025:
  - 2024-01 Rules of Procedure Definitions Alignment (GO and GOP)
- March 2025:
  - 2024-03 Revisions to EOP-012-2
- Oct 2025:
  - IBR performance and disturbance monitoring projects related to FERC Order 901 Milestone 3
- Dec 2025:
  - 2024-02 Planning Energy Assurance

*Anticipated adoption dates will be updated as project progress*

## Completed By the End of 2024

2020-02 Modifications to PRC-024 (generator ride-through)	2021-03 Modifications to CIP-002 (TOCC)	2022-03 Energy Assurance (Operations)
2021-04 Modifications to PRC-002 (data sharing)	2023-04 CIP-003 Low Impact Criteria	2023-07 TPL-001 Extreme Weather
2023-02 Performance of IBRs	2023-06 Physical Security	
2020-06 Verification of Models and Data for Generators (Definitions Only)		

**Completed By the End of 2025**

<p>2020-06            Verification of Models and Data for Generators (Milestone 3 SAR)</p>	<p>2021-01            Modifications to MOD-025 and PRC-019 (Milestone 3 SAR)</p>	<p>2022-02            Uniform Modeling Framework for IBR (Milestone 3 SAR)</p>
<p>2024-01            Rules of Procedure Definitions Alignment</p>	<p>2024-02            Energy Assurance (Planning)</p>	<p>2024-03            Revisions to EOP-012-2</p>



- 10 medium and low priority projects
- During Q3, medium priority projects:
  - Only informal postings to solicit feedback during this time
  - Allow industry to focus on postings for high priority projects
- During Q4:
  - Medium priority project can post for formal comment and ballot.
  - Low priority projects will be reassessed at that time.
- Projects to be reevaluated following conclusion of high priority projects
- Anticipated 2025 Board adoption dates and beyond

## Completed By 2025 and Beyond

2023-01 EOP-004 IBR Event Reporting	2022-04 EMT Modeling	2023-09 Risk Management for Third Party Cloud Services
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**Completed By 2025 and Beyond**

2017-01 Modifications to BAL-003-1.1	2019-04 Modifications to PRC-005-6	2021-02 Modifications to VAR-002-4.1
2021-08 Modifications to FAC-008	2022-05 CIP-008 Reporting Threshold	2023-05 FAC-001/FAC-002 DER
	2023-08 MOD-031 Demand and Energy	

- SARs also submitted by industry are expected
- SARs on the horizon being drafted by Engineering and RSTC working groups

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# Questions and Answers