

# 2023 Business Plan and Budget

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# Introduction

TOTAL RESOURCES (in whole dollars)													
	20	)23 Budget	U.S.	Canada	Mexico								
Statutory FTEs <sup>*</sup>		160.0											
Non-statutory FTEs		9.0											
Total FTEs		169.0											
Statutory Expenses	\$	31,636,435											
Non-Statutory Expenses	\$	2,974,475											
Total Expenses	\$	34,610,910											
Statutory Incr(Decr) in Fixed Assets	\$	54,665											
Non-Statutory Incr(Decr) in Fixed Assets	\$	4,335											
Total Inc(Dec) in Fixed Assets	\$	59,000											
Statutory Working Capital Requirement**	\$	(595,000)											
Non-Statutory Working Capital Requirement***	\$	(298,949)											
Total Working Capital Requirement	\$	(893,949)											
Total Statutory Funding Requirement	\$	31,096,100											
Total Non-Statutory Funding Requirement	\$	2,679,861											
Total Funding Requirement	\$	33,775,961											
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Statutory Assessments	\$	20,708,354	n/a	n/a	n/a								
Non-Statutory Fees	\$	2,679,861	2,626,264	53,597									
NEL****		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a								
NEL%		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a								

# **Organizational Overview**

WECC is a 501(c)(4) social welfare organization funded through Load-Serving Entity (LSE) assessments authorized by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) under Section 215 of the Federal Power Act. WECC's mission is to effectively and efficiently mitigate risks to the reliability and security of the Western Interconnection's bulk power system (BPS), while carrying out the responsibilities of the Regional Entity. WECC operates under a delegation agreement with the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) and according to its bylaws. WECC executes its mission informed and assisted by working with a broad community of stakeholders and two advisory bodies—the Member Advisory Committee (MAC) and the Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Body (WIRAB).

The Western Interconnection is a geographic area in which the use and generation of electricity is synchronized. This area includes all or part of 14 Western states in the United States, the Canadian provinces of British Columbia and Alberta, and a portion of Baja California Norte, Mexico.



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WECC delivers on its mission through:

- Effective risk-based monitoring and enforcement of Reliability Standards through standards development, entity certification and registration, compliance risk assessment, and audits and investigations;
- Informed actions, practices, and decisions of industry participants, regulators, and policymakers through strategic engagement regarding reliability planning, performance analysis, situation awareness, and event analysis; and
- Targeted training, outreach, and dialogue to build relationships that foster a culture of reliability and security throughout the West.

WECC's business philosophy is guided by three principles:

*Independence*—We serve the public interest and represent what is best for reliability and security within the Western Interconnection with an impartial and unbiased voice.

*Perspective*—We are uniquely situated, with an interconnection-wide view, to develop comprehensive and influential work products for the benefit of reliability and security.

*Partnership* — We collaborate with, learn from, and inform industry leaders and technical experts, and decision-makers at the state, provincial, and national level, to reduce risks to reliability and security.

WECC is evolving to better serve stakeholders by:

- Increasing our leadership through strategic partnerships, proactive and deliberate engagements, and technical competence and credibility;
- Building strong and constructive relationships with NERC and our regional partners, members, and stakeholders;
- Implementing risk-based concepts to provide consistency for industry, and increased flexibility within a rule-based, regulatory framework;
- Encouraging forward-looking reliability and security by assessing and advising industry on the design and implementation of effective internal controls; and
- Identifying and mitigating known and emerging risks to the reliability and security of the Western Interconnection.

# Membership and Governance

WECC has 310 members<sup>1</sup> divided into the following five Membership Classes:

- 1. Large Transmission Owners;
- 2. Small Transmission Owners;

#### <sup>1</sup> As of April 22, 2022.



- 3. Electric Line of Business Entities doing business in the Western Interconnection that do not own, control, or operate transmission or distribution lines in the Western Interconnection;
- 4. End users and entities that represent the interests of end users; and
- 5. Representatives of state and provincial governments.

WECC membership is open to any person or entity that has an interest in the reliable and secure operation of the Western Interconnection BPS. WECC membership is not required for participation in the WECC Standards Development process.<sup>2</sup>

WECC is governed by a Board of Directors (Board), composed of nine independent Directors elected by the WECC membership, and WECC's president and CEO as appointed by the Board. The nine Directors are compensated by WECC for their governance and oversight activities.

Four governance committees provide functional oversight of WECC operations:

- Finance and Audit Committee (FAC);
- Governance Committee (GC);
- Human Resources and Compensation Committee (HRCC); and
- Nominating Committee (NC).

Under the direction of the Board, other committees provide technical advice and policy recommendations to the Board:

- Joint Guidance Committee (JGC);
- Member Advisory Committee (MAC);
- Reliability Assessment Committee (RAC);
- Reliability Risk Committee (RRC); and
- WECC Standards Committee (WSC).

# 2023 Strategic Goals

The electric industry is undergoing profound changes nationally, especially in the West. Organizations such as WECC help to further the understanding of these changes. Working with other stakeholders helps build trust, promote transparency, set priorities, and enhance the reliability and security of the Western Interconnection. WECC proactively addresses issues for which the impacts to the Western Interconnection's reliability and security are less understood (e.g., the risk is unique to the Western Interconnection) or for which WECC and its stakeholders (including its technical committees) can make a significant contribution to Western BPS reliability and security. Strategic engagement allows WECC to thoughtfully and intentionally interact with stakeholders to ensure WECC's work is relevant and valuable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Non-WECC members may participate in standards drafting teams and may vote on Regional Reliability Standards (RRS). See WECC's Reliability Standards Development Procedures.



WECC's Board-approved Long-Term Strategy builds on the foundation established by the Electric Reliability Organization (ERO) Enterprise Long-Term Strategy. Described more fully below, the ERO Enterprise Long-Term Strategy is representative of continent-wide risks and was vetted through a stakeholder process. WECC's Long-Term Strategy then identifies unique Western long-term focus areas to address the reliability and security needs of the Western Interconnection while supporting reliability and security across North America. These two strategy documents, coupled with the ERO Enterprise-driven program areas, will guide the work of WECC in 2023 and beyond.

Additionally, the Board approved the following WECC Reliability Risk Priorities (RRP) at its June 2020 meeting. These risk priorities guide both committee and program area work plans. Much of the work related to the WECC RRPs involves staff time; examples of activities supporting these priorities are noted in the appropriate statutory program area sections of the business plan. The WECC RRPs will be updated in 2022, and these updated priorities will be used to inform future business plans.

## **Reliability Risk Priorities**

The WECC RRPs approved in 2020 are further described below.

The highlighted text will be updated after the Board Workshop on April 26.

## **Resource Adequacy and Performance**

Study interconnection-wide future resource adequacy and performance considering:

- The importance of working with resource planners and decision-makers;
- Benefits of resource diversity (geographical and resource type);
- Technology performance during various conditions (e.g., solar during extreme heat); and
- Near-term and longer-term time frames.

## **Changing Resource Mix**

Evaluate the impacts of the changing resource mix considering:

- Large amounts of coal and nuclear plant retirements;
- High use of inverter-based resources;
- Transmission congestion and other deliverability challenges;
- Changes to capacity factors of natural gas resources;
- Market trends and market impacts;
- System stability and voltage challenges; and
- The benefits and challenges associated with energy storage and hybrid resources.



### **Distribution System and Customer Load Impacts on the BPS**

Investigate and develop recommendations to limit the reliability risk to the BPS caused by changes to the distribution system (e.g., growth of distributed energy resources and behind-the-meter storage) and customer loads. This should include operational and planning activities.

#### **Extreme Natural Events**

Prepare for and evaluate impacts on the BPS caused by extreme natural events (e.g., wildfires, drought, heavy rain, flooding, extreme cold, pandemics, earthquakes). Share best practices and lessons learned from individual state and utility experiences across the interconnection.

## **ERO Enterprise**

In 2019, the ERO Enterprise leadership revised the <u>ERO Enterprise Long-Term Strategy</u> to streamline its strategic and operational documents and ensure alignment with the NERC Reliability Issues Steering Committee's (RISC) identified BPS risks. The Board acknowledged this strategy on December 4, 2019, as a valuable input to the WECC strategic planning process and recognized it as a beneficial collaboration by NERC and the Regional Entities. The ERO Long-Term Strategy served as the foundational input for the development of WECC's Long-Term Strategy.

As part of the business planning and budgeting process, NERC and the Regional Entities identify and discuss program area goals and activities to ensure they align with the long-term strategy and that business processes and operations harmonize across the ERO Enterprise where appropriate. WECC acknowledges and supports the long-term strategy as well as the work products specific to WECC that are described in each statutory program area in Section A.

The ERO Enterprise strives for consistency when appropriate and recognizes that each Regional Entity addresses reliability in unique ways. The ERO Enterprise model allows Regional Entities to address these unique reliability risks and challenges locally using innovative and distinctive approaches. The ERO Enterprise recognizes that, as the electric industry ecosystem is rapidly evolving, the ERO programs and practices must continue to transform to meet the future needs of reliability and security.



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NERC and the Regional Entities coordinate activities to identify, prioritize, and address risks to reliability. The Regional Entities have similar responsibilities within the ERO Enterprise model:

- Providing input to the overall development of each ERO program area;
- Providing training and development to meet ERO qualifications; and
- Ensuring delegated responsibilities are completed.

Regional Entities also have an obligation to meet professional standards of independence and objectivity and provide the best available expertise to address regional risks. This way of working is represented by this visual.



# 2023 Key Assumptions and Overview of Cost Impacts

WECC's proposed 2023 statutory budget is \$31,691,000, a \$1,944,000 (6.5%) increase from the 2022 statutory budget. The net increase is mainly due to:

- 7.5 new full-time equivalents (FTE) to support the WECC RRPs, improve the organization's security posture, and to ensure WECC has the bandwidth to deliver on its critical reliability mission;
- Labor float assumption changes based on actual turnover and vacancy rates;
- A 3% merit pool;
- Increased subscription-based computer licensing and enterprise security tools; and
- Changes in position levels.

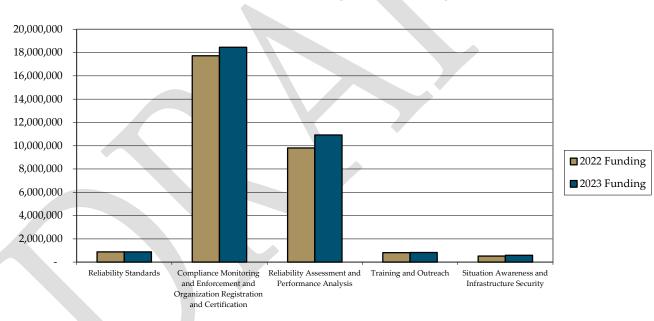
FTEs represent the fractional allocation of a full-time position's cost to one or more functional areas. Headcount (HC) represents either vacant or filled positions. Major drivers of the change between the 2022 and 2023 statutory budgets are as follows:

- Personnel Expenses increase by \$1,922,000 primarily due to 7.5 new FTEs, continued refinement of labor float percentages, a budgeted 3% merit pool, changes in position levels, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits enrollment rates.
- Office Costs increase by \$330,000 primarily due to an increase in subscription-based computer licensing and enterprise security tools.
- Meeting Expenses decrease by \$283,000 primarily due to changes in on-site audit logistics and an expectation that many meeting participants will choose the virtual option when hybrid meetings resume.
- Consultants & Contracts increase by a net of \$250,000 primarily due to the inclusion of \$595,000 in Peak Reliability Donation project spending and the completion of one-time consulting projects in 2022.



The following table and chart present a summary of funding requirements for WECC's primary statutory program areas:

Program	Budget 2022	F	Projection 2022	Budget 2023	Βι	ariance 2022 Idget v 2023 Iudget	Variance %
Reliability Standards	\$ 885,532	\$	885,532	\$ 879,350	\$	(6,182)	(0.7%)
Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and Organization Registration and Certification	17,730,856		17,730,856	18,470,296		739,440	4.2%
Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis	9,802,354		9,802,354	10,928,399		1,126,045	11.5%
Training and Outreach	812,908		812,908	827,574		14,666	1.8%
Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security	515,247		515,247	585,480		70,233	13.6%
Total By Program	\$ 29,746,899	\$	29,746,899	\$ 31,691,100	\$	1,944,201	6.5%



## Comparison of 2022 to 2023 Budgeted Funding Requirements

# **Peak Reliability Donation**

Peak Reliability (Peak) ceased all Reliability Coordinator (RC) operations in December 2019 and dissolved as a corporate entity in December 2020. After review and approval by the Board, WECC entered into a donation holdback agreement with Peak before its dissolution. Per the agreement, Peak donated \$4,127,000 of its remaining funds to WECC. Of the total amount, \$3,827,000 will be used to fund projects focused on the reliability and security of the BPS in the Western Interconnection. This portion was recorded as a statutory donation. Additionally, Peak requested WECC hold \$300,000 for a



period of five years to pay any Peak bills that may be presented following Peak's formal closure on December 31, 2020. This amount was recorded as a non-statutory liability. The statutory amount is currently included in WECC's reserves, which are further detailed in Table B-1. Non-statutory funds remaining after the five-year period will also be used to fund reliability and security projects.

WECC has committed to its stakeholders and FERC that decisions about how to spend the Peak funds will be informed by stakeholder consultation, review, and comment. There are many critical issues facing the Western Interconnection, and WECC values the many different perspectives the stakeholder community can bring to the consideration of how best to spend these funds. Ultimately, the expenditure of these funds is not about merely "having \$3,827,000 to spend." Instead, this is an opportunity for WECC to add real value by addressing critical reliability risks and issues in the West by answering these questions:

- What are the critical needs that are not being adequately addressed?
- What could WECC do, using these funds, to deliver significant value to the stakeholders who are working to address reliability and security challenges every day?

All projects are vetted with the executive team and stakeholders via targeted outreach, technical committees, and the Business Plan and Budget (BP&B) process. Two projects warrant inclusion in the 2023 BP&B. These are:

- The second phase of a system planning data management system, to improve data management processes, support consistent data formats, reduce processing time, and allow sharing of interconnection-wide data with appropriate stakeholders; and
- The acquisition of PLEXOS software, an energy market simulation platform, to provide in-depth analytics and modeling support for reliability planning activities.

WECC proposes to use \$595,000 from the Peak Reliability Donation reserve to fund these projects in 2023. This process will be followed for future projects, which will be identified in future BP&Bs. For projects not anticipated in the annual BP&B and expected to total more than \$500,000, WECC will seek approval from FERC via separate one-time filings.

# **Personnel Overview**

Over the last two years, several events have highlighted risks to reliability and security: the August 2020 heat wave, the February 2021 cold weather event, the 2020 SolarWinds breach, and the 2021 log4j vulnerability among others. What used to be considered low probability events have become more frequent and are coming at a pace and with a complexity that WECC has not seen before. WECC needs specific expertise and resources to keep pace and to work with its stakeholders to address emerging issues. As a result, in the 2023 budget, WECC is adding 7.5 statutory FTEs (9.5 FTEs in total) and realigning some positions within program areas due to evolving organizational needs and priorities driven by the environment in which WECC is operating.



#### **Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement**

Two new FTEs are added to the Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP). One vice president, Reliability and Security Oversight, is added to provide key leadership in the continued development of a risk-informed CMEP to mitigate reliability and security risks to the interconnection. One cybersecurity risk engineer is added to increase bench strength, mitigate bandwidth constraints, and address an increasing workload related to assessing inherent and operational risk to reliability associated with the Cybersecurity Infrastructure Protection (CIP) standards. A total of 1.75 FTEs is transferred from CMEP to Legal and Regulatory to realign job responsibilities and support the development and enhancement of the Strategic Engagement group.

#### **Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis**

Three FTEs are added to the Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis (RAPA) Program. In recent years, as the RAC's Study Program has become more robust in developing studies aimed at addressing the WECC RRPs, more staff time has been needed to complete the work. One senior engineer is added to help develop these studies. Two senior resource adequacy analysts are added to more fully analyze and understand the increasing risks of resource adequacy, one of the WECC RRPs, and to increase engagement in subregional resource adequacy programs. Additionally, 0.80 FTE is transferred from RAPA to Legal and Regulatory to provide administrative and project support to the Strategic Engagement group.

#### **Training and Outreach**

An additional 0.5 FTE is added to the Training and Outreach Program to ensure WECC's insights and analyses are received and understood by a wide array of stakeholders and decision-makers, and to make sure that relevant work products are reaching appropriate stakeholders promptly. WECC will use this partial FTE to convert the 0.5 FTE added in the 2022 BP&B to a full-time position.

#### **Corporate Services**

One associate systems administrator and one information security analyst are added to the Information Technology Program, to provide administration and security monitoring of increased enterprise security tools. These positions, in conjunction with other security personnel, work to continually improve WECC's security posture and to protect the increasing volume of stakeholder data housed in our systems.

Additionally, the following transfers affect Corporate Services:

• 1.75 FTEs, 0.8 FTE, and 0.20 FTE are transferred from CMEP, RAPA, and General and Administrative (G&A), respectively, to Legal and Regulatory to realign job responsibilities, provide administrative and project assistance, and create the cooperation that will allow Strategic Engagement to develop and improve every aspect of WECC; and



• 0.50 FTE is transferred from Finance and Accounting to G&A to assist with administrative tasks.

#### **Non-Statutory**

Two program analysts are added to the non-statutory program due to program growth, increasing account holder audit requirements, and software administration needs.

Details of the additions, transfers, and allocations are discussed in the respective program area sections of the BP&B.

	Budget	Projection	Direct FTEs 2023	Shared FTEs* 2023	Total FTEs 2023	Change from 2022
Total FTEs by Program Area	2022	2022	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget
	STA	TUTORY				
Operational Breakame						
Operational Programs Reliability Standards	3.00	3.00	3.00		3.00	
Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and	5.00	3.00	3.00	-	3.00	-
Organization Registration and Certification	67.75	67.75	68.00	_	68.00	0.25
Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis	35.80	35.80	38.00	-	38.00	2.20
Training and Outreach	2.00	2.00	2.50	-	2.50	0.50
Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security	2.00	2.00	2.00	-	2.00	-
Total FTEs Operational Programs	110.55	110.55	113.50	-	113.50	2.95
Corporate Services						
Technical Committees and Member Forums	-	-	-	-	-	-
General and Administrative	17.70	17.70	18.00	-	18.00	0.30
Legal and Regulatory	7.75	7.75	10.50	-	10.50	2.75
Information Technology	9.00	9.00	11.00	-	11.00	2.00
Human Resources	4.00	4.00	4.00	-	4.00	-
Finance and Accounting	3.50	3.50	3.00	-	3.00	(0.50)
Total FTEs Corporate Services	41.95	41.95	46.50	-	46.50	4.55
Total FTEs	152.50	152.50	160.00	-	160.00	7.50

<sup>\*</sup>A shared FTE is defined as an employee who performs both Statutory and Non-Statutory functions.

## **Penalty Sanctions and Assessments**

WECC received \$18,840,000 in penalty sanctions between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022. Of this amount, WECC proposes to release \$10,140,000 in penalty sanctions to offset 2023 assessments. The remaining \$8,700,000 will be released in 2024. The rationale for releasing the penalties over two years is to avoid a steep decrease in assessments in one year and a sharp increase in the second year. See the Monetary Penalties section for additional details.



# 2022 Statutory Budget and Projection and 2023 Budget Comparisons

Statement of Activities, Fixed 2022 Bud	l Assets Expend get & Projection			Capital	
	STATUTO		get		
Revenue	2022 Budget	2022 Projection	Variance 2022 Budget v 2022 Projection Over(Under)	2023 Budget	Variance 2023 Budget v 2022 Budget Inc(Dec)
Statutory Funding					
WECC Assessments	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 25,000,000	\$ -	\$ 20,708,354	\$ (4,291,646)
Penalties Released <sup>1</sup>	5,298,000	5,298,000	-	10,139,646	4,841,646
Total Statutory Funding	\$ 30,298,000	\$ 30,298,000	<b>\$</b> -	\$ 30,848,000	\$ 550,000
Membership Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Workshops & Miscellaneous	194,700	194,700	· _	188,100	(6,600)
Interest	109,501	109,501	-	60,000	(49,501)
Total Revenue (A)	\$ 30,602,201	\$ 30,602,201	\$ -	\$ 31,096,100	\$ 493,899
Expenses					
Personnel Expenses					
Salaries	\$ 18,411,644	\$ 18,411,644	\$ -	\$ 20,039,300	\$ 1,627,656
Payroll Taxes	1,217,683	1,217,683	· -	1,322,042	104,359
Benefits	2,605,571	2,605,571	-	2,649,520	43,949
Retirement Costs	1,663,608	1,663,608	-	1,809,268	145,660
Total Personnel Expenses	\$ 23,898,506	\$ 23,898,506	<b>\$</b> -	\$ 25,820,130	\$ 1,921,624
Meeting Expenses					
Meeting & Conference Calls	\$ 458,044	\$ 458,044	\$ -	\$ 386,181	\$ (71,863)
Travel	772,654	772,654	φ -	561,108	(211,546)
Total Meeting Expenses	\$ 1,230,698	\$ 1,230,698	\$ -	\$ 947,289	\$ (283,409)
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<b>Operating Expenses, excluding Depreciation</b>					
Consultants & Contracts	\$ 1,004,600	\$ 1,004,600	\$ -	\$ 1,254,100	\$ 249,500
Office Rent	1,306,912	1,306,912	-	1,318,436	11,524
Office Costs	1,844,335	1,844,335	-	2,174,086	329,751
Professional Services Miscellaneous	1,045,000	1,045,000	-	1,087,000	42,000
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 5,200,847	\$ 5,200,847	\$ -	\$ 5,833,622	\$ 632,775
Total Direct Expenses	\$ 30,330,051	\$ 30,330,051	\$-	\$ 32,601,041	\$ 2,270,990
Indirect Expenses	\$ (695,066)	\$ (695,066)	\$-	\$ (964,606)	\$ (269,540)
Other Non-Operating Expenses	<u>\$</u> -	\$-	\$ -	\$-	<del>\$</del> -
Total Expenses (B)	\$ 29,634,985	\$ 29,634,985	\$ -	\$ 31,636,435	\$ 2,001,450
Change in Net Assets (=A-B)	\$ 967,216	\$ 967,216	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ (540,335)	\$ (1,507,551)
Fixed Asset Additions, excluding Right of Use Assets (C)	\$ 111,914	\$ 111,914	\$-	\$ 54,665	\$ (57,249)
TOTAL BUDGET (B+C)	\$ 29,746,899	\$ 29,746,899	\$-	\$ 31,691,100	\$ 1,944,201
TOTAL CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL (A-B-C)	\$ 855,302	\$ 855,302	\$ -	\$ (595,000)	\$ (1,450,302)
FTEs HC	152.5	152.5	-	160.0	7.5
пс	152.0	152.0	-	160.0	8.0

<sup>1</sup> Represents the amount released from working capital reserves to offset U.S. assessments as approved by the NERC Board of Trustees and FERC. Actual penalties invoiced in the current reporting year will be reported as income on the audited financial statements in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).





# **Section A**

# Statutory Programs

# Section A—Statutory Programs

## **Reliability Standards Program**

	Reliability Standards Program (in whole dollars) 2022 Budget 2023 Budget (Decrease)														
	20	)22 Budget	(D	ecrease)											
Total FTEs		3.0		3.0		_									
Direct Expenses	\$	584,610	\$	556,370	\$	(28,240)									
Indirect Expenses	\$	297,886	\$	321,535	\$	23,649									
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_									
Inc(Dec) in Fixed Assets	\$	3,036	\$	1,445	\$	(1,591)									
Total Funding Requirement	\$	885,532	\$	879,350	\$	(6,182)									

#### **Program Scope and Purpose**

The Reliability Standards Program supports the NERC Reliability Standards Program and its employees work with the WSC to aid the development of Regional Reliability Standards (RRS), Regional Variances to NERC Reliability Standards, and Regional Criteria to ensure the Bulk Electric System (BES) operates reliably.

The Reliability Standards Program deliverables include a five-year review of each current RRS, Regional Variance to NERC Reliability Standards, and Regional Criterion. These reviews can result in revisions to the document, retirement of the document if no longer needed for reliability, or a finding that no changes are necessary.

WECC supports the development of Regional Variances to NERC Reliability Standards when it is necessary to address complex Western reliability issues. The variances are required by a physical difference in the BPS or instances in which Western stakeholders want more stringent performance requirements. WECC will only develop an RRS, rather than a variance, when no NERC Reliability Standard exists to address a reliability issue.

Regional Criteria may be necessary to implement, augment, or comply with NERC Reliability Standards, but they are not Reliability Standards themselves and are not enforceable. Regional Criteria may include acceptable operating or planning parameters, guides, or other documents used to enhance BPS reliability.

#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

• The number of RRS projects will remain low, with most focusing on potential retirement of existing RRSs—due to the subject matter being included in NERC Reliability Standards—and



necessary revisions identified during the five-year review. It is possible, but not likely, that regulatory directives could result in RRS projects.

- Much of the work needed to develop RRSs, Regional Variances to NERC Reliability Standards, and Regional Criteria will continue to be performed by stakeholder volunteers.
- Stakeholder volunteers will continue to staff most NERC Standards drafting teams.
- WECC employees may, at times, participate as drafting team members or observers.
- Integration of renewable resources and related energy storage devices may require new or modified NERC Reliability Standards, RRSs, or Regional Variances to NERC Reliability Standards.
- WECC supports, and will participate in, the enhanced periodic reviews of NERC Reliability Standards and the NERC Standards Grading effort, when appropriate.
- Increases in virtual meetings will decrease travel expenses.

#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

- Ensure Western viewpoints are represented and incorporated in the development of NERC Reliability Standards, regional standards, and regional variances to NERC Reliability Standards by encouraging Western participation on standards drafting teams and commenting on standards under development.
- Continuously improve program processes and tools to adapt to changes in the industry.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Ensure the development of RRSs and Regional Criteria is performed according to the most recent WECC Reliability Standards Development Procedures.
- Review existing RRSs to determine candidates for a Regional Variance to a NERC Reliability Standard and, if so, coordinate with NERC to address the change during NERC's periodic review.
- Review existing RRSs and Regional Criteria to improve their content and quality.
- Incorporate audit, enforcement, and event analysis information to determine whether new RRSs or revisions are necessary.

#### **Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes**

#### Personnel Expenses

• Personnel Expenses decrease by a net of \$23,000 primarily due to continued refinement of labor float percentages, a budgeted 3% merit pool, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits rates.



#### Meeting Expenses

• No significant changes.

#### **Operating Expenses**

• No significant changes.

#### Fixed Assets

• No significant changes.

See Section B—Supplemental Financial Information for explanations of other variances between the 2022 and 2023 budgets.



## Reliability Standards Program Funding Sources and Expenditures

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Revenue Statutory Funding WECC Assessments	\$	764,248	\$	764,248	\$		\$	593,246	\$	(171,002)
Penalties Released Total Statutory Funding	\$	143,772 908,020	\$	143,772 908,020	\$	-	\$	268,009 861,255	\$	124,237 (46,765)
Membership Fees Workshops & Miscellaneous	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	
Interest <b>Total Revenue (A)</b>	\$	2,972 <b>910,992</b>	\$	2,972 <b>910,992</b>	\$	-	\$	1,586 862,841	\$	(1,386) (48,151)
Expenses Personnel Expenses										
Salaries Payroll Taxes	\$	454,624 30,150	\$	454,624 30,150	\$	-	\$	437,183 28,906	\$	(17,441) (1,244) (2,422)
Benefits Retirement Costs Total Personnel Expenses	\$	42,770 40,461 568,005	\$	42,770 40,461 568,005	\$	- - -	\$	40,337 38,809 545,235	\$	(2,433) (1,652) (22,770)
Meeting Expenses Meetings & Conference Calls	\$		\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	
Travel Total Meeting Expenses	\$	13,065 <b>13,065</b>	\$	13,065 <b>13,065</b>	\$	-	\$	7,520 7,520	\$	(5,545) (5,545)
<b>Operating Expenses, excluding Depreciation</b> Consultants & Contracts	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Office Rent Office Costs	Φ	- - 3,540	Þ	3,540	Φ	-	Ð	- - 3,615	Þ	- - 75
Professional Services Miscellaneous		-		- -		- -		-		-
Total Operating Expenses Total Direct Expenses	\$	3,540	\$	3,540	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	3,615	\$ \$	(28,240)
Indirect Expenses	\$	297,886	\$	297,886	\$		\$	321,535	\$	23,649
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total Expenses (B)	\$	882,496	\$	882,496	\$	-	\$	877,905	\$	(4,591)
Change in Net Assets (=A-B)	\$	28,496	\$	28,496	\$	-	\$	(15,064)	\$	(43,560)
Fixed Assets, excluding Right of Use Assets (C)	\$	3,036	\$	3,036	\$		\$	1,445	\$	(1,591)
TOTAL BUDGET (B+C) TOTAL CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL (A-B-C)	\$ \$	885,532 25,460	\$ \$	885,532 25,460	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	879,350 (16,509)	\$ \$	(6,182) (41,969)
FTEs HC		3.0 3.0		3.0 3.0		-		3.0 3.0		-



# **Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement**

## and Organization Registration and Certification Program

Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and Organization Registration and Certification Program (in whole dollars) Increase												
	2	022 Budget		Decrease)								
Total FTEs		67.8		68.0		0.2						
Direct Expenses	\$	10,935,018	\$	11,149,411	\$	214,393						
Indirect Expenses	\$	6,727,252	\$	7,288,134	\$	560,882						
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-						
Inc(Dec) in Fixed Assets	\$	68,586	\$	32,751	\$	(35,835)						
Total Funding Requirement	\$	17,730,856	\$	18,470,296	\$	739,440						

#### **Program Scope and Purpose**

The reliability and security of the BPS is the central focus of WECC's mission. The Reliability and Security Oversight department is integral to maintaining that focus and works with Registered Entities in the Western Interconnection to promote a strong culture of reliability and security by focusing on known and future risks. Program area staff, who are independent of all users, owners, and operators of the BPS, ensure that Registered Entities mitigate risks to the BPS by implementing the NERC Organization Registration and Certification Program and the Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program. Staff monitors and enforces the NERC Reliability Standards across 402<sup>3</sup> registered owners, operators, and users of the BPS through a variety of risk-based activities, delivering consistent, impartial, and meaningful real-time feedback to the entity.

To accomplish its objectives, the program is divided into five main areas:

- Organization Registration and Certification<sup>4</sup>;
- Entity Risk Assessment;
- Entity Monitoring;
- Enforcement and Mitigation; and
- Program Analysis and Administration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> At WECC, certification activities have historically been performed in the RAPA program area. Certification activities will transition to CMEP in 2023.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As of April 22, 2022.

WECC will conduct its monitoring and enforcement activities according to the Board-endorsed Regulatory Philosophy, the key tenets of which are:

- Be an informed regulator;
- Identify top risks to reliability and security;
- Exercise discretion responsibly; and
- Enforce fairly.

Staff will support ERO Enterprise activities, including:

- Regional Risk Assessments;
- Compliance Oversight Plans (COP) and Inherent Risk Assessments (IRA);
- Organization Registration and Certification;
- Mitigation plan review, acceptance, and verification;
- Potential noncompliance reviews to assess extent of condition, root cause, and risk to BPS;
- Entity self-logged and other minimal-risk issues processing and dispositions;
- Enforcement of moderate- and serious-risk noncompliance through established risk-based approaches;
- Periodic Data Submittal review and validation;
- Internal Compliance Program assessments;
- Internal Controls Program reviews;
- Entity monitoring including, audits, spot-checks, self-certifications, investigations, and assessments of complaints; and
- BES Exception Requests.

#### Compliance in Alberta, British Columbia, and Mexico

Alberta and British Columbia, Canada, and a portion of Baja California Norte, Mexico, are all part of the Western Interconnection and have adopted or are adopting mandatory Reliability Standards based on FERC-approved Standards. WECC has entered into agreements with the Alberta Market Surveillance Administrator (MSA), the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC), and Mexico's Comisión Reguladora de Energía (CRE)<sup>5</sup>, under which WECC performs various compliance monitoring and enforcement activities to help ensure reliability across international borders within the Western Interconnection.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> WECC has historically entered into an annual agreement with CRE; at the time of this filing, the regulatory environment in Mexico remains uncertain. WECC is monitoring this situation, while using other means to monitor the reliability of the Mexican portion of the BPS, and will engage with the appropriate Mexican authorities as circumstances become clearer.



#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

- WECC will address known and future reliability risks by staffing at adequate levels to monitor the FERC-approved NERC Reliability Standards for applicable entities through audits, investigations, self-certifications, or spot-checks during the year. A risk-based approach will be applied to ensure all monitoring activities, on-site and off-site, and post-monitoring activities are completed according to the NERC Rules of Procedure and the CMEP within the United States. With respect to non-U.S. jurisdictions, compliance will be monitored according to the approved agreements and applicable compliance monitoring programs with Canadian and Mexican authorities.
- Staff will develop and implement COPs for new Registered Entities and refresh COPs as per risk triggers. The plans focus on relevant risks, including consideration of IRAs, entity performance history, other operational risks based on performance considerations, and the maturity of internal controls.
- Staff will participate in NERC-led, centralized review panel sessions as part of the application
  process for materiality tests of the risk-based registration process outlined in Appendix 5A of
  the NERC Rules of Procedure. Registration recommendations will be reviewed, assessed,
  validated, and submitted to NERC for new registrations, partial deactivations, transfer of
  access, and full deregistration changes affecting the NERC Compliance Registry (NCR).
- Certification activities are transferred into this program from RAPA.
- WECC fully supports ERO Enterprise efforts and activities to evaluate business practices, tools, consistency, implementation, and guidance within the risk-based CMEP. Staff will provide feedback to the ERO Enterprise on emerging and existing risks, with an emphasis on standards development, standards modification, monitoring approaches, enforcement considerations, and potential gaps.
- Regional Risk Assessment (RRA) results provide input on focus areas in the ERO CMEP Implementation Plan.
- Costs related to a hearing that may arise will be funded through working capital reserves.
- WECC does not foresee any new or revised Reliability Standards that would require increased resources in 2023.
- One vice president, Reliability & Security Oversight, is added to CMEP to provide key leadership in the continued development of a risk-informed CMEP to mitigate reliability and security risks to the interconnection.
- One cybersecurity risk engineer is added to CMEP to increase bench strength, mitigate bandwidth constraints, and address an increasing workload related to assessing inherent and operational risk to reliability associated with the CIP standards.
- One position is transferred from CMEP to Legal and Regulatory to realign job responsibilities and support the development and enhancement of the Strategic Engagement group.



- Due to realignment of job responsibilities, 0.75 FTE is transferred from CMEP to Legal and Regulatory.
- Increases in virtual meetings and changes in monitoring activity logistics will decrease monitoring travel expenses resulting from lessons learned about effective technology use during the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

- Effective and efficient implementation of risk-based monitoring and enforcement activities.
- Continue to improve violation inventory statistics.
- Continue to improve COP refresh timeliness and focus on effective and efficient implementation of ERO Enterprise COP process.
- Continuously improve program processes and tools to adapt to changes in the industry.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Consult with the international compliance enforcement authorities to determine which elements of the risk-based CMEP could provide value and should be incorporated in the respective programs for international entities. Currently, WECC does not conduct IRAs or develop COPs for international entities.
- Provide outreach and training on the Align tool to staff and Registered Entities.
- Process all BES Exception submittals according to Appendix 5C.
- Fully integrate organization certification into the program area and work with RAPA staff to ensure a smooth and seamless transition.
- Participate in ERO Enterprise collaboration groups to ensure consistency to continue to build effective relationships and ensure CMEP consistency, where applicable and appropriate, across Regional Entities.
- Complete 20 audits with an on-site component, as required by the NERC Rules of Procedure and agreements with Canadian jurisdictions and 10 off-site audits. Additional monitoring activities (e.g., spot-checks, self-certifications with supporting evidence, investigations, compliance assessments, and complaint evaluations) will be scheduled based on BES risk.
- Complete initial IRAs and COPs for all new registrations and refresh IRAs and COPs as needed for changes in the entity risk profile.
- Participate in ERO Enterprise collaboration groups to further consistency in long-term planning and risk-based monitoring.
- Ensure WECC's RRA of the Western Interconnection is aligned with WECC RRPs and is refreshed regularly.
- Promote the benefits of internal controls programs and their impact on BPS reliability with Registered Entities.



- Improve outreach to stakeholders via webinars, conferences, and entity-specific engagements to support ERO Enterprise activities and priorities.
- Monitor, manage, and improve enforcement measures and metrics in support of the ERO Enterprise Long-Term Strategy, including caseload index, violation aging, and mitigation plan aging; and collaborate with the ERO Enterprise to develop better measures of program effectiveness.
- Continue working with NERC and the other Regional Entities to shape and refine the ERO Enterprise enforcement philosophy that supports uniform, repeatable, transparent, and reliability-focused approaches.

#### **Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes**

#### Personnel Expenses

• Personnel Expenses increase by a net of \$346,000 primarily due to two new positions, 1.75 FTEs transferred to other program areas, a budgeted 3% merit pool, continued refinement of labor float percentages, changes in position levels, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits rates.

#### Meeting Expenses

• Travel decreases by \$182,000 primarily due to planned reductions in travel requirements for audit teams and support staff and a planned increase in virtual meetings.

#### **Operating Expenses**

• Consultants & Contracts increase by \$50,000 due to Reliability and Security Oversight consulting to address a skills gap in protection and controls standards.

#### Fixed Assets

• Fixed Assets decrease by a net of \$36,000 primarily due to a reduction in fixed asset additions in Corporate Services. Corporate Services expenses are allocated to statutory and non-statutory program areas based on FTEs.

See Section B—Supplemental Financial Information for explanations of other variances between the 2022 and 2023 budgets.



### Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and Organization Registration and Certification Program Funding Sources and Expenditures

2022 Budget & Projection, and 2023 Budget           Variance         Variance         Variance         Variance           Variance         Va	Statement of Activities, Fixed 2022 Bud						orking C	Capi	tal		
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-	Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis (in whole dollars) Increase													
	20	22 Budget	t (Decrease											
Total FTEs		35.8		38.0		2.2								
Direct Expenses	\$	6,211,343	\$	6,837,316	\$	625,973								
Indirect Expenses	\$	3,554,769	\$	4,072,781	\$	518,012								
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-								
Inc(Dec) in Fixed Assets	\$	36,242	\$	18,302	\$	(17,940)								
Total Funding Requirement	\$	9,802,354	\$	10,928,399	\$	1,126,045								

# **Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis**

#### **Program Scope and Purpose**

RAPA staff conducts a variety of assessments, analyses, and studies essential to the reliable planning and operation of the BPS in the Western Interconnection. Staff compiles and distributes data and information used by WECC and its stakeholders to help with regional and local planning studies. These integrated assessment and planning efforts enhance WECC's overall ability to assess potential reliability risks in the Western Interconnection.

The RAPA Program is organized into four departments:

- 1. The **Performance Analysis and Resource Adequacy Department** analyzes the historical operation and performance of the Western Interconnection. The analyses are used to assess interconnection-wide risks and vulnerabilities. The information produced helps to identify best practices and mitigate potential risk. The department also conducts forward-looking resource adequacy assessments using deterministic and probabilistic methods.
- 2. The **Events Analysis Department** analyzes system conditions and events that affect or may affect the reliable operation of the BPS. The department's activities ensure that stakeholders, NERC, and FERC are well-informed of system events, emerging trends, lessons learned, and expected actions affecting BPS reliability.



- 3. The **System Stability Department** is the NERC-designated, interconnection-wide model builder under the MOD-032 Reliability Standard. The department develops the planning tools and datasets to support transmission planning and performs special studies on priority reliability issues as they are identified. The studies, performed in close collaboration with the technical committees, consider power flow and system stability.
- 4. The **System Adequacy Department**, in close collaboration with the technical committees, develops datasets and models used by WECC and its stakeholders to perform interconnection-wide production cost model reliability assessments. The department performs analytical work using production cost and other modeling tools. The department also develops future scenarios of the Western Interconnection, based on drivers of change, ongoing issues, and trends.

The RAPA Program supports the development of NERC's RAPA activities through targeted data gathering and participation in the Summer, Winter, Long-Term Reliability, and special assessments. The program also provides a technical advisory role in studies led by organizations such as national labs, universities, and the Department of Energy.

#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

- Staff and technical committees will focus on assessment activities that address the WECC RRPs approved by the Board in June 2022.
- Staff will respond to unanticipated emerging reliability risks and work with stakeholders to develop timely and meaningful reliability outreach and assessments.
- Meeting costs associated with the RAC and RRC were transferred from Corporate Services to the RAPA Program area.
- Staff will participate remotely in several external meetings that have historically only been offered in person.
- New committees to support resource adequacy assessment work will become part of the technical committee structure.
- Staff will focus on expanding resource adequacy studies and assessments of regional resource adequacy programs and increase stakeholder outreach.
- There will be a focus on continuous improvement and development of staff capabilities. Current capabilities will be reviewed and improved to enhance reliability assessments.
- One senior engineer position is added to support the production of influential reliability analyses.
- Two senior resource adequacy analyst positions are to fully analyze the increasing risks of resource adequacy and the development of resource adequacy solutions.
- To provide administrative and project support in the Strategic Engagement group, 0.80 FTE was transferred from RAPA to Legal and Regulatory.



#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

- Work with technical committees to develop a clear understanding of emerging risks to the BPS and associated mitigation strategies, particularly for the WECC RRPs.
- Ensure high precision of information and models used to assess the reliability of the BPS.
- Use advanced tools, techniques, and industry subject matter experts to identify system performance trends and vulnerabilities.
- Hold reliability and security risk forums.
- Continuously improve program processes and tools to adapt to changes in the industry.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Deliver high-quality and influential work products focused on the WECC RRPs.
- Continue the three-year planning cycle with the JGC to align staff and technical committee work plans in support of the WECC RRPs.
- Ensure the Western Interconnection is represented in reliability matters by participating in regional and national stakeholder forums.
- Add value for stakeholders by developing reliability guidelines, technical white papers and reports, and reference documents to address emerging issues, operational risks, and industry concerns related to system operations and planning.
- Facilitate production cost, dynamic model, and power flow tool development, focusing on new technology resources and concepts like energy storage and dynamic line ratings.
- Explore and implement technology solutions for enhanced data collection, validation, and storage.
- Assess the effectiveness of the Western Interconnection Underfrequency Load Shedding Plan.
- Successfully carry out all other RAPA delegated responsibilities.

#### Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes

#### Personnel Expenses

• Personnel Expenses increase by a net of \$495,000 primarily due to the net of three new positions, 0.80 FTE transferred to Legal and Regulatory, a budgeted 3% merit pool, continued refinement of labor float percentages, changes in position levels, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits rates.

#### Meeting Expenses

• Meetings & Conference Calls increase by a net of \$27,000 primarily due to the transfer of the technical committees' budget from Corporate Services.



#### **Operating Expenses**

- Consultants & Contracts decrease by a net of \$49,000 primarily due to the completion of onetime MAVRIC probabilistic tool updates in 2022.
- Office Costs increase by a net of \$150,000 primarily due to the addition of the PLEXOS energy market simulation platform which will be funded with Peak Reliability Donation funds.

#### Fixed Assets

• Fixed Assets decrease by a net of \$18,000 primarily due to a reduction in fixed asset additions in Corporate Services. Corporate Services expenses are allocated to statutory and non-statutory program areas based on FTEs.

See Section B—Supplemental Financial Information for explanations of other variances between the 2022 and 2023 budgets.



# Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis Program Funding Sources and Expenditures

Statement of Activities, Fix 2022 Bu		ets Expend Projection				Vorking C	Capi	tal		
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		2022		2022		rojection		2023	20	22 Budget
		Budget	P	rojection	Over	(Under)		Budget		Inc(Dec)
Revenue										
Statutory Funding										
WECC Assessments	\$	8,333,059	\$	8,333,059	\$	-	\$	7,308,359	\$	(1,024,700)
Penalties Released		1,715,680		1,715,680		-		3,394,771		1,679,091
Total Statutory Funding	\$	10,048,739	\$	10,048,739	\$	-	\$	10,703,130	\$	654,391
Membership Fees	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Workshops & Miscellaneous		-		-		-		-		-
Interest		35,460		35,460		-		20,088		(15,372)
Total Revenue (A)	\$	10,084,199	\$	10,084,199	\$		\$	10,723,218	\$	639,019
Expenses										
Personnel Expenses										
Salaries	\$	4,381,226	\$	4,381,226	\$	-	\$	4,781,745	\$	400,519
Payroll Taxes		292,557		292,557		-		319,728		27,171
Benefits		512,784		512,784		-		544,248		31,464
Retirement Costs		389,613		389,613		-		425,406		35,793
Total Personnel Expenses	\$	5,576,180	\$	5,576,180	\$	-	\$	6,071,127	\$	494,947
Meeting Expenses										
Meetings & Conference Calls	\$	29,476	\$	29,476	\$	-	\$	56,722	\$	27,246
Travel		148,062		148,062		-		151,230		3,168
Total Meeting Expenses	\$	177,538	\$	177,538	\$	-	\$	207,952	\$	30,414
Operating Expenses, excluding Depreciation										
Consultants & Contracts	\$	208,100	\$	208,100	\$	-	\$	159,000	\$	(49,100)
Office Rent	+		4		*	-	4	-	4	-
Office Costs		249,525		249,525		-		399,237		149,712
Professional Services		_		_		-		_		-
Miscellaneous		-		_		-		-		_
Total Operating Expenses	\$	457,625	\$	457,625	\$	-	\$	558,237	\$	100,612
Total Direct Expenses	\$	6,211,343	\$	6,211,343	\$	-	\$	6,837,316	\$	625,973
Indirect Expenses	\$	3,554,769	\$	3,554,769			\$	4,072,781	\$	518,012
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	<u> </u>	\$	<u> </u>	\$		\$	<u> </u>	\$	
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Total Expenses (B)	\$	9,766,112	\$	9,766,112	\$	-	\$	10,910,097	\$	1,143,985
Change in Net Assets (=A-B)	\$	318,087	\$	318,087	\$	-	\$	(186,879)	\$	(504,966)
Fixed Assets, excluding Right of Use Assets (C)	\$	36,242	\$	36,242	\$	-	\$	18,302	\$	(17,940)
TOTAL BUDGET (B+C)	\$	9,802,354	\$	9,802,354	\$	-	\$	10,928,399	\$	1,126,045
TOTAL CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL (A-B-C)	\$	281,845	\$	281,845	\$	-	\$	(205,181)	\$	(487,026)
FTEs		35.8		35.8		-		38.0		2.2
НС		36.0		36.0		-		38.0		2.0



# **Training and Outreach**

Trai		Increase			
	202	22 Budget	(	Decrease)	
Total FTEs		2.0	2.5		0.5
Direct Expenses	\$	612,293	\$ 558,424	\$	(53,869)
Indirect Expenses	\$	198,590	\$ 267,946	\$	69,356
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
Inc(Dec) in Fixed Assets	\$	2,025	\$ 1,204	\$	(821)
Total Funding Requirement	\$	812,908	\$ 827,574	\$	14,666

#### Program Scope and Purpose

The Training and Outreach Program informs and educates stakeholders through engaging outreach, education, and training on a range of topics including Reliability Standards, risk assessments, reliability planning and performance analysis, seasonal preparedness, grid operations and security, and human performance improvement.

#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

- WECC will host an increasing number of training and outreach events to inform stakeholder awareness of critical reliability issues.
- Virtual Training and Outreach formats will be used where appropriate.
- WECC will increase partnerships and collaboration with the ERO Enterprise where appropriate to expand audience participation and to share subject matter expertise.
- 0.5 FTE is added to ensure WECC's insights and analyses are received and understood by a wide array of stakeholders and decision-makers, and to make sure that relevant work products are reaching appropriate stakeholders promptly.

#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

- Build and cultivate effective relationships with industry groups, WECC technical committees, ERO Enterprise, federal, state, and provincial regulators, policy- and decision-makers, national labs and educational institutions, and the broader reliability and security community.
- Improve program processes and tools continuously to adapt to changes in the industry.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Deliver monthly Compliance Open Webinars to educate stakeholders on various oversight activities.



#### Section A-Statutory Programs

- Conduct webinars and workshops to expand awareness of reliability planning tools, modeling capabilities, and study results.
- Deliver quarterly Grid Fundamentals Workshops to teach people who are new to the industry how the electric power system works, how it is managed, and how to better understand reliability issues.
- Deliver two Reliability and Security Workshops to provide targeted outreach to address and mitigate key risks to reliability and security in the Western Interconnection. One of the workshops will be virtual. Specific topics include:
  - Lessons learned and process improvement for implementation of risk-based concepts;
  - Enforcement trends and statistics; and
  - Information on audit approach for standards.
- Deliver educational webinars and workshops to further enhance the reliability and security of the Western Interconnection. Topics include:
  - WECC Reliability Risk Priorities (RRP);
  - Reliability planning tools and modeling capabilities, including base case and production cost model studies;
  - Contingency studies and analyses;
  - Scenario planning and regulatory issues and trends; and
  - Event analysis.

#### **Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes**

#### Personnel Expenses

• No significant changes.

#### Meeting Expenses

• Meetings & Conference Calls decrease by \$46,000 primarily to align the budget with historical spending for in-person meetings and the change of three Grid Fundamental classes to a virtual format to increase engagement and to accommodate circumstances related to the pandemic.

#### **Operating Expenses**

• No significant changes.

#### Fixed Assets

• No significant changes.

See Section B—Supplemental Financial Information for explanations of other variances between the 2022 and 2023 budgets.



## Training and Outreach Program Funding Sources and Expenditures

Statement of Activities, F 2022		ts Expend Projection				Vorking C	apit	al		
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		2022 Budget	2022 Projection		Variance 2022 Budget v 2022 Projection Over(Under)		2023 Budget		Variance 2023 Budget v 2022 Budget Inc(Dec)	
Revenue		0		,				0		
Statutory Funding										
WECC Assessments	\$	543,752	\$	543,752	\$	-	\$	399,274	\$	(144,478)
Penalties Released		95,848		95,848		-		223,340		127,492
Total Statutory Funding	\$	639,600	\$	639,600	\$	-	\$	622,614	\$	(16,986)
Membership Fees	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Workshops & Miscellaneous		194,700		194,700		-		188,100		(6,600)
Interest		1,981		1,981		-		1,322		(659)
Total Revenue (A)	\$	836,281	\$	836,281	\$	-	\$	812,036	\$	(24,245)
Expenses										
Personnel Expenses										
Salaries	\$	235,668	\$	235,668	\$	-	\$	230,280	\$	(5,388)
Payroll Taxes	*	15,911		15,911		-	4	15,528	4	(383)
Benefits		30,201		30,201		-		37,358		7,157
Retirement Costs		20,974		20,974		-		20,495		(479)
Total Personnel Expenses	\$	302,754	\$	302,754	\$	-	\$	303,661	\$	907
Masting Turanaa										
Meeting Expenses Meetings & Conference Calls	\$	277,146	\$	277,146	\$		\$	231,509	\$	(45,637)
Travel	φ	6,995	φ	6,995	φ		φ	6,401	φ	(43,037) (594)
Total Meeting Expenses	\$	284,141	\$	284,141	\$		\$	237,910	\$	(46,231)
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Operating Expenses, excluding Depreciation										
Consultants & Contracts	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Office Rent		-		-		-		-		-
Office Costs		25,398		25,398		-		16,853		(8,545)
Professional Services Miscellaneous				-		-		-		-
Total Operating Expenses	\$	25,398	\$	25,398	\$	-	\$	16,853	\$	(8,545)
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Total Direct Expenses	\$	612,293	\$	612,293	\$		\$	558,424	\$	(53,869)
Indirect Expenses	\$	198,590	\$	198,590	\$	-	\$	267,946	\$	69,356
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total Expenses (B)	\$	810,883	\$	810,883	\$	-	\$	826,370	\$	15,487
Change in Net Assets (=A-B)	\$	25,398	\$	25,398	\$	-	\$	(14,334)	\$	(39,732)
Fixed Assets, excluding Right of Use Assets (C)	\$	2,025	\$	2,025	\$	-	\$	1,204	\$	(821)
TOTAL BUDGET (B+C)	\$	812,908	\$	812,908	\$	-	\$	827,574	\$	14,666
TOTAL CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL (A-B-C)	\$	23,373	\$	23,373	\$	-	\$	(15,538)	\$	(38,911)
FTEs		2.0		2.0		-		2.5		0.5
НС		1.0		1.0		-		2.0		1.0



Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security (in whole dollars) Increase										
	202	22 Budget	20	23 Budget	(Decrease)					
Total FTEs		2.0		2.0		_				
Direct Expenses	\$	314,631	\$	370,160	\$	55 <i>,</i> 529				
Indirect Expenses	\$	198,591	\$	214,357	\$	15,766				
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-				
Inc(Dec) in Fixed Assets	\$	2,025	\$	963	\$	(1,062)				
Total Funding Requirement	\$	515,247	\$	585,480	\$	70,233				

# Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security

#### Program Scope and Purpose

The Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security (SAIS) Program maintains near-real-time awareness about the conditions and significant occurrences on the BPS in the Western Interconnection to recognize conditions and situations that could affect the reliability and security of the BPS. WECC has access to limited near-real-time data through the Situation Awareness for FERC, NERC, and the Regions (SAFNR) tool, the Plant Information (PI) system, and the University of Tennessee Frequency Monitoring NETwork (FNET).

The SAIS Program works to understand system and security issues when they emerge and coordinate with relevant parties (typically NERC and FERC) about the conditions of the BPS. Through this coordination, WECC identifies patterns and trends that will help build a stronger and more resilient system. Staff responds to events by providing coordination, assistance, and communication with the RCs, stakeholders, and NERC SAIS personnel. SAIS work also supports event analysis capabilities.

#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

- Cybersecurity and physical security threats will continue to increase as the grid evolves. WECC will work with stakeholders and support the E-ISAC, WECC Cyber and Physical Security Work Groups, and other stakeholder groups to focus on security outreach and education.
- WECC will support NERC and FERC's efforts for situation awareness of current system conditions.
- WECC will maximize sharing of reliability and security data, within agreed parameters, and insights from Events Analysis, including near misses, to enhance understanding of reliability and security issues, promote operational excellence, promptly share best practices and lessons learned, and engage third-party experts to expand capabilities and resources applied to critical reliability and security issues.



• Technical stakeholder groups will support the development of lessons learned and recommendations from events and reliability and security risks.

#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

- Continuously improve program processes and tools to adapt to changes in the industry.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Monitor system events, collect information, and coordinate prompt distribution of updates on system events to industry stakeholders and NERC SAIS personnel.
- Work with NERC to monitor system data, weather, and technological developments to understand trends that affect reliability for the near- and long-term horizons.
- Coordinate the communication of critical information in daily NERC SAIS meetings and the NERC Crisis Action Plan meetings.
- Support efforts and work to develop and enhance ways to improve the use of SAFNR, the PI system, and other tools to further support SAIS.
- Improve reliability readiness by participating in periodic wide-area security exercises (e.g., GridEx, Monitoring and Situation Awareness Workshop, NERC Alerts).
- Promote rapid and appropriate sharing of situation awareness information to support critical infrastructure security.
- Enhance engagement with Western stakeholders to improve the coordination and sharing of appropriate security information.

#### **Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes**

#### Personnel Expenses

• Personnel Expenses increase by a net of \$46,000 primarily due to changes in position levels, budgeted 3% merit pool, continued refinement of labor float percentages, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits rates.

#### Meeting Expenses

• No significant changes.

#### **Operating** Expenses

• No significant changes.

#### Fixed Assets

• No significant changes.



See Section B—Supplemental Financial Information for explanations of other variances between the 2022 and 2023 budgets.



# Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security Program Funding Sources and Expenditures

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\$	432,233	\$	432,233	\$	-	\$	394,759	\$	(37,474)
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\$	530,062	\$	530,062	\$	-	\$	574,488	\$	44,426
\$	238,519	\$	238,519	\$	-	\$	276,946	\$	38,427
	16,482		16,482		-		19,137		2,655
	28,447		28,447		-		29,904		1,457
	21,228		21,228		-		24,648		3,420
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\$	314,631	\$	314,631	\$	-	\$	370,160	\$	55,529
\$	198,591	\$	198,591	\$	-	\$	214,357	\$	15,766
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\$	513,222	\$	513,222	\$	-	\$	584,517	\$	71,295
\$	16,840	\$	16,840	\$	-	\$	(10,029)	\$	(26,869)
\$	2,025	\$	2,025	\$		\$	963	\$	(1,062)
\$	515,247	\$	515,247	\$	-	\$	585,480	\$	70,233
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# **Corporate Services**

Corporate Services (in whole dollars) Direct Expenses and Fixed Assets FTEs FTEs													
	2022 Budget	2023 Budget	Increase (Decrease)										
Committee and Member Forums	\$	47,380	\$	-	\$	(47,380)	-	-	-				
General and Administrative	\$	5,429,771	\$	5,412,320	\$	(17,451)	17.70	18.00	0.30				
Legal and Regulatory	\$	1,665,035	\$	2,368,818	\$	703,783	7.75	10.50	2.75				
Information Technology	\$	2,827,948	\$	3,651,025	\$	823,077	9.00	11.00	2.00				
Human Resources	\$	1,232,199	\$	1,209,397	\$	(22,802)	4.00	4.00	-				
Accounting and Finance	\$	588,821	\$	546,799	\$	(42,022)	3.50	3.00	(0.50)				
Total Corporate Services*	\$	11,791,155	\$	13,188,360	\$	1,397,205	41.95	46.50	4.55				

\*WECC's 2023 Corporate Services budget (expenses plus fixed assets) is \$13,188,360, of which \$968,941 is allocated to non-statutory activities. As a result of the allocation to the non-statutory function, the Corporate Services expenses included in the 2023 statutory budget are \$12,219,418, which is a \$428,263 increase from the 2022 budget.

#### **Program Scope and Purpose**

Corporate Services encompasses the following program areas and includes all business and administrative functions of the organization:

- Technical Committees and Member Forums;
- General and Administrative;
- Legal and Regulatory;
- Information Technology;
- Human Resources; and
- Finance and Accounting.

These support functions are foundational for the existence and operation of the organization. This area provides executive leadership; strategic engagement; and administrative support for staff, committees, members, and stakeholders.

#### Method for Allocation of Corporate Services Expenses to Programs

Corporate Services expenses are allocated to statutory and non-statutory program areas based on FTEs.



#### **Technical Committees and Member Forums**

#### **Program Scope and Purpose**

WECC undertook technical committee restructuring efforts in 2021 and 2022 to streamline the committee structure governance and optimize stakeholder engagement. As a result, this budget was merged into the RAPA program area, where most of the committee work is facilitated.

#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

• Beginning in 2023, the technical committees' budget will be included in the RAPA Program area.

#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

- Support and coordinate the meeting logistics for the technical committees.
- Staff liaisons and administrative assistants provide valuable support.

#### Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes

#### Personnel Expenses

• No significant changes.

#### Meeting Expenses

• Meetings & Conference Calls decrease by \$45,000 due to the transfer of the technical committees' budget to RAPA.

#### **Operating Expenses**

• No significant changes.

#### Fixed Assets



#### **General and Administrative**

#### **Program Scope and Purpose**

The G&A Program provides executive leadership; enterprise security; enterprise risk management; communications; and administrative support for staff, committees, and members; as well as logistics support for the office and meeting facilities. In addition, indirect costs like Office Rent that benefit multiple functional areas are accounted for in this program.

#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

- WECC staff will provide the same level of meetings and meeting support as last year for the Board of Directors and Board Committees.
- Vancouver, British Columbia, is the Board-approved location for the 2023 Annual Meeting.
- Board Directors will be compensated according to the 2023 Board compensation structure.
- To provide administrative support to the Strategic Engagement group, 0.2 FTE is transferred to Legal and Regulatory.
- To assist with administrative tasks, 0.50 FTE is transferred from Finance and Accounting.

#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

- Continuously improve program processes and tools to adapt to changes in the industry.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Provide strong executive leadership and strategic guidance for WECC's activities, and ensure WECC supports the ERO Enterprise Long-Term Strategy and meets the expectations of the Regional Delegation Agreement.
- Provide excellent support and logistics coordination for the Board and Board committees.
- Identify opportunities for efficiencies and increased effectiveness of meetings and stakeholder services teams.
- Enhance internal and external communications.
- Improve WECC's security posture and programs.

#### Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes

#### Personnel Expenses

• Personnel Expenses increase by a net of \$157,000 primarily due to a net 0.2 FTE transferred to Legal and Regulatory, 0.5 FTE transferred from Finance and Accounting, a budgeted 3% merit pool, continued refinement of labor float percentages, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits rates.



#### Meeting Expenses

• Travel decreases by a net of \$33,000 primarily due to a planned increase in virtual meetings and to align the budget with historical spending for in-person meetings.

#### **Operating Expenses**

- Consultants & Contracts decrease by a net of \$143,000 primarily due to the completion of a Board Director search and a planned reduction in organizational development consulting.
- Office Rent increases by a net of \$12,000 primarily due to anticipated increases for operating expenses for the Salt Lake office lease.
- Office Costs decrease by a net of \$44,000 primarily to align the budget with historical spending for Board Director dues and memberships.
- Professional Services increase by a net of \$36,000 primarily due to an increase in Board Director retainers.

#### Fixed Assets



#### Legal and Regulatory

#### **Program Scope and Purpose**

The Legal and Regulatory Program provides coordinated legal services and subject matter expertise to the Board, committees, and staff, in addition to consistent legal interpretations of relevant statutes, regulations, court opinions, and regulatory decisions. On occasion, major efforts may be outsourced to select law firms, but the responsibility for all legal matters remains with Legal and Regulatory. WECC's broad scope of activities requires significant legal support and review. Arranging for legal support is complicated by the technical nature of this developing area of law, and there are many potential areas of conflict prohibiting the use of law firms with energy practices.

Legal and Regulatory also includes the External Affairs department, which was created in 2020. The External Affairs department and the Communications and Outreach department form the Strategic Engagement group. The Strategic Engagement team fosters and maintains productive relationships with all of WECC's stakeholders to better inform and guide WECC's work. Strategic Engagement works with external stakeholders to facilitate and enhance the work of CMEP and RPPA by ensuring effective communications and timely dialogue on critical reliability and security matters. WECC actively engages with Members, industry, advisory bodies, non-governmental organizations, consumer advocates, regulators, policymakers, and legislators across the Western Interconnection. Strategic Engagement is also focused on the timely production and distribution of high-quality analyses addressing reliability and security topics of interest and importance to decision-makers throughout the Western Interconnection. An understanding of the dynamics within the Western Interconnection through the strategic engagement of WECC's stakeholders is essential to effectively address reliability and security risks.

#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

- The scope of current Legal operations will be maintained while Strategic Engagement continues to refine its role and expand and deepen WECC's engagement with stakeholders.
- One position is transferred from CMEP to realign job responsibilities and support the development and enhancement of the Strategic Engagement group.
- To realign job responsibilities, 0.75 FTE is transferred from CMEP.
- To provide administrative support to the Strategic Engagement group, 0.2 FTE is transferred from G&A.

#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

• Build and cultivate effective relationships with industry groups, WECC technical committees, ERO Enterprise, federal, state, and provincial regulators, policy- and decision-makers, national labs and educational institutions, and the broader reliability and security community.



- Perform stakeholder needs assessment and mapping.
- Develop and implement stakeholder engagement and outreach plans.
- Embed stakeholder perspectives and opportunities for collaboration into product development process.
- Lead a 2023 Long-Term Strategy refresh with a focus on Board involvement and stakeholder perspectives while maintaining alignment with the ERO Enterprise Long-Term Strategy.
- Work with other program areas to ensure key studies and initiatives are aligned with the WECC Long-Term Strategy or WECC RRPs.
- Continuously improve program processes and tools.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Provide efficient, cost-effective legal support to the Board, committees, and staff through a combination of in-house and outside resources.
- Advise staff on legal matters.
- Coordinate with the ERO Enterprise legal group to identify and share best practices.

#### **Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes**

#### Personnel Expenses

• Personnel Expenses increase by a net of \$692,000 primarily due to one position transferred from CMEP, 0.75 FTE transferred from CMEP, 0.2 FTE transferred from G&A, a budgeted 3% merit pool, continued refinement of labor float percentages, changes in position levels, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits rates.

#### Meeting Expenses

• Travel increases by a net of \$10,000 primarily due to state and provincial outreach visits by the vice president, External Affairs.

#### **Operating Expenses**

• No significant changes.

#### Fixed Assets



#### Information Technology

#### **Program Scope and Purpose**

The Information Technology (IT) Program provides enterprise and desktop systems, security monitoring and support, and technical expertise. This includes physical security and cybersecurity risk mitigation, as well as operational support for hardware, software, database, system administration, data center operations, email, and telephony. IT implements new technology solutions using staff and external service providers to improve the security, effectiveness, and efficiency of business processes and operations. IT provides resources and tools to enable the organization to meet evolving requirements in support of its mission and delegated responsibilities.

#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

- WECC will increase security capabilities with more access controls and enhanced threat monitoring, detection, and reporting tools due to the ever-changing cybersecurity landscape.
- Consultants will be used for project-based work to augment staff skill sets.
- IT will continue to drive long-term levelized costs by obtaining subscription services for software and infrastructure when practical.
- To retain vendor support and to reduce unplanned outages, desktop computer equipment will be replaced every four years, servers every five years, and network equipment every seven to 10 years.
- In support of the ERO Enterprise IT Strategy, IT will continue to work collaboratively to share and make the most of the knowledge across the ERO Enterprise, minimize duplication of effort and investments, and improve operational efficiency.
- Upgrade and refresh the secure sections of wecc.org to enhance data security.
- Some of the Peak Reliability donation will be used for content management tools to improve data management processes, support consistent data formats, reduce processing time, and allow sharing of interconnection-wide data with appropriate stakeholders.
- One associate systems administrator and one information security analyst are added to the IT Program, to provide administration and monitoring of increased enterprise security tools.

#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

- Continuously improve program processes and tools.
- Upgrade and refresh the secure sections of wecc.org.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Provide enterprise data management and reporting tools, enhanced telephony, and communication capabilities.



- Migrate customer relationship management software to the cloud.
- Create centralized databases, automated processes, and tools to organize a growing volume of electronic data.
- Enhance the capabilities, performance, and security controls for mobile device use and remote workers.
- Continuously improve WECC's security program and posture due to the critical nature of some of WECC's data and evolving cybersecurity risks.

#### Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes

#### Personnel Expenses

• Personnel Expenses increase by a net of \$250,000 primarily due to two new positions, a budgeted 3% merit pool, changes in position levels, continued refinement of labor float percentages, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits rates.

#### Meeting Expenses

• No significant changes.

#### **Operating Expenses**

- Consultants & Contracts increase by a net of \$404,000 primarily due to data submission and portal projects, to be funded with the Peak Reliability donation.
- Office Costs increase by a net of \$236,000 primarily due to increased subscription-based computer licensing and new enterprise security tools.

#### Fixed Assets

• Equipment CapEx decreases by a net of \$60,000 primarily due to refreshes of storage arrays completed in 2022.



#### Human Resources

#### **Program Scope and Purpose**

The Human Resources (HR) Program is responsible for the delivery of all HR functions to ensure WECC is viewed as an employer of choice with highly skilled, collaborative, and engaged employees who are committed to WECC's mission. Responsibilities include recruitment, compensation, benefits, safety, health and wellness, employee relations, personal and professional development, succession planning, knowledge transfer, and leadership and employee engagement. HR also maintains employee-data systems and ensures compliance with employment-related federal and state requirements.

#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

- Total WECC headcount increases by 9.5 FTEs in 2023.
- WECC's current benefit levels are maintained with minimal premium increases.
- Employee skills gaps are minimized through identification of critical technical skills, targeted internal and external professional development/education, knowledge transfer efforts, and succession planning.
- Recruiting services can target the national markets for most positions, allowing WECC to identify and hire from a larger and more diverse candidate pool of high-quality talent.
- Employee engagement and recognition efforts will be prioritized to retain talent and build on WECC's strong cultural foundation. Specific effort will be given to practices that support and enhance interactions and relationships within a hybrid workforce.
- Management development will continue to be prioritized with a focus on written and interpersonal communication, accountability, coaching, and process improvement.

#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

- Continuously improve program processes and tools.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Enhance all facets of the employee experience to achieve low levels of turnover.
- Increase the effectiveness of performance management processes through manager training and development.
- Conduct interpersonal skills, harassment prevention and diversity, equity, and inclusion (DE&I) training for all employees and managers.
- Enhance the scope of succession planning and knowledge transfer, which are vital to developing and maintaining a highly skilled, qualified, and diverse workforce that is necessary to deliver on WECC's mission.



- Deliver a comprehensive, yet affordable benefits package to retain current employees and attract potential employees while managing costs.
- Expand recruiting efforts through college campus outreach, WECC and industry trainings and meetings, social media platforms, and employee referral programs.
- Leverage NERC Learning Management System to monitor and track employee online training and skills completion (e.g., learning plans, course or certification completion).

#### **Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes**

#### Personnel Expenses

• Personnel Expenses decrease by a net of \$14,000 primarily due to changes in health reimbursement account assumptions to better align the budget with historical spending, a budgeted 3% merit pool, continued refinement of labor float percentages, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits enrollment rates.

#### Meeting Expenses

• Travel decreases by a net of \$10,000 primarily due to reduction in in-person employee gatherings and meals and to align the budget with historical spending.

#### **Operating Expenses**

- Consultants & Contracts decrease by a net of \$13,000 primarily due to the completion of an employee engagement survey and compensation survey in 2022 and the addition of DE&I consulting.
- Office Costs increase by \$13,000 primarily to align the budget with historical spending on recruiting and the human resources information system.

#### Fixed Assets



#### **Finance and Accounting**

#### **Program Scope and Purpose**

The Finance and Accounting Program provides accounting and financial analysis and helps coordinate the financial reporting and budgeting cycles with stakeholders. The program reports financial results in a timely and effective manner to help departments recognize and seize opportunities for improvement in current and future activities. The program is responsible for payroll, accounts payable, accounts receivable, budgeting, forecasting, fixed assets management, banking, cash management, tax filings, and financial reporting.

#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

- Interest rates remain flat.
- 0.5 FTE is transferred to G&A to assist with administrative tasks.

#### 2023 Goals and Deliverables

- Continuously improve program processes and tools.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Train management team on budgeting and forecasting processes.
- Identify and implement efficiencies in financial processes and increase effectiveness of budgeting and financial reporting.
- Help departments efficiently and effectively manage resources and operate within approved budgets.
- Ensure effective financial controls are in place, including routine monitoring of spending compared to budget.
- Provide quality reporting and financial analysis to managers, the FAC, and the Board.
- Maintain secure and reliable cloud-based software.

#### Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes

#### Personnel Expenses

• Personnel Expenses decrease by a net of \$28,000 primarily due to a 0.5 FTE transferred to G&A, a budgeted 3% merit pool, continued refinement of labor float percentages, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits rates.

#### Meeting Expenses



#### **Operating Expenses**

• Office costs decrease by a net of \$14,000 primarily due to a decrease in business and occupational taxes assessed on WECC's annual assessments.

#### Fixed Assets



# Corporate Services Funding Sources and Expenditures

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Revenue										
Statutory Funding										
WECC Assessments	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Penalties Released	¢	-	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	-
Total Statutory Funding	\$		Þ		- <u>⊅</u>	-	<b>Þ</b>	-	Þ	-
Membership Fees	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Workshops & Miscellaneous		-		-		-		-		-
Interest		-				-		-		-
Total Revenue (A)	\$		\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	-
Expenses				~						
Personnel Expenses										
Salaries	\$	4,949,493	\$	4,949,493	\$	-	\$	5,862,052	\$	912,559
Payroll Taxes		311,823		311,823		-		368,123		56,300
Benefits		1,037,438		1,037,438		-		1,042,991		5,553
Retirement Costs		466,470		466,470		-		548,292		81,822
Total Personnel Expenses	\$	6,765,224	\$	6,765,224	\$	-	\$	7,821,458	\$	1,056,234
Meeting Expenses										
Meetings & Conference Calls	\$	151,422	\$	151,422	\$		\$	97,950	\$	(53,472)
Travel	4	239,422	Ψ.	239,422	4	_	Ψ	204,387	Ψ	(35,035)
Total Meeting Expenses	\$	390,844	\$	390,844	\$		\$	302,337	\$	(88,507)
Operating Expenses, excluding Depreciation	¢	704 500	<b>A</b>	504 500	¢.		¢	1.045 100	¢	240 (00
Consultants & Contracts	\$	796,500	\$	796,500	\$	-	\$	1,045,100	\$	248,600
Office Rent Office Costs		1,306,912 1,367,675		1,306,912 1,367,675		-		1,318,436 1,555,029		11,524
Professional Services		1,045,000		1,045,000		-		1,087,000		187,354 42,000
Miscellaneous		1,045,000		1,043,000		-		1,087,000		42,000
Total Operating Expenses	\$	4,516,087	\$	4,516,087	\$	-	\$	5,005,565	\$	489,478
Total Direct Expenses	\$	11,672,155	\$	11,672,155	\$		\$	13,129,360	\$	1,457,205
Indirect Expenses	\$	(11,672,155)		11,672,155)	\$	-	\$	(13,129,360)	\$	(1,457,205)
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-
Total Expenses (B)	\$		\$		\$		\$	_	\$	-
			<u> </u>							
Change in Net Assets (=A-B)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Fixed Assets, excluding Right of Use Assets (C)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
TOTAL BUDGET (B+C)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	-
TOTAL CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL (A-B-C)	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	
FTEs		42.0		42.0		-	_	46.5		4.6
HC		43.0		43.0		-		47.0		4.0





# **Section B**

# Supplemental Financial Information

# Section B—Supplemental Financial Information

# **Reserve Analysis**

#### Table B-1

Working Capital Re			2-20	23			
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			W	orking Capital	Unreleased	Pe	ak Reliability
		Total		Reserve	Penalties		Donation
Beginning Reserve, January 1, 2022	\$	19,761,417	\$	9,690,377	\$ 6,243,646	\$	3,827,394
Plus: 2022 Funding (from Load-Serving Entities (LSE) or designees)		25,000,000		25,000,000			_
Plus: Penalties released		-		5,298,000	(5,298,000)		-
Plus: Penalties received		17,894,000		-	17,894,000		-
Plus: 2022 Other funding sources		304,201		304,201	-		-
Less: 2022 Projected expenses & capital expenditures		(30,146,899)		(29,746,899)	-		(400,000)
Projected Reserve (Deficit), December 31, 2022	\$	32,812,719	\$	10,545,679	\$ 18,839,646	\$	3,427,394
Plus: 2023 Funding (from Load-Serving Entities (LSE) or designees)		20,708,354		20,708,354	-		-
Plus: Penalties released		-		10,139,646	(10,139,646)		-
Plus: 2023 Other funding sources		248,100		248,100	-		-
Less: 2023 Projected expenses & capital expenditures		(31,691,100)		(31,096,100)	-		(595,000)
2023 Increase(Decrease) in Reserve	\$	(10,734,646)		-	\$ (10,139,646)	\$	(595,000)
Projected Reserve, December 31, 2023	-	22,078,073	\$	10,545,679	\$ 8,700,000	\$	2,832,394
2023 Expenses and Capital Expenditures		31,691,100					
Less: Penalties Released		(10,139,646)					
Less: Other Funding Sources Change to Working Capital & Peak Reliability Donation Reserves		(248,100) (595,000)					
2023 WECC Assessment		20,708,354					
2025 WECC Assessment	<b>•</b>	20,700,334	-				

WECC's Board has approved a Working Capital Reserve balance equal to one to three months of Personnel, Meeting, and Operating Expenses per its Reserve Policy, approved by the FAC on June 16, 2020.



## **Breakdown of Statement of Activities**

The following detailed schedules are in support of the Statutory Statement of Activities and Capital Expenditures on page 12.

#### **Monetary Penalties**

As documented in the NERC Policy *Accounting, Financial Statement and Budgetary Treatment of Penalties Imposed and Received for Violations of Reliability Standards,* penalty monies received on or before June 30, 2022, will be used to offset assessments in the 2023 WECC budget.

WECC received \$18,840,000 in penalty monies between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022. Of this amount, WECC is seeking FERC approval through the Business Plan and Budget process to release \$10,140,000 in penalty monies to offset 2023 assessments. The remaining unreleased penalties will be used to offset and stabilize assessments in 2024.

**Allocation Method**: Penalty monies released have been allocated to the following Statutory Programs to reduce assessments:

- Reliability Standards;
- Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and Organization Registration and Certification;
- Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis;
- Training and Outreach; and
- Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security.

Penalty monies are allocated based on the number of FTEs in the functional areas divided by the aggregate total FTEs in the programs receiving the allocation.



## **Penalty Sanctions**

#### Table B-2

Penalty Information	
Total penalties available to offset 2023 assessments	\$ 18,839,646
Penalties released to offset 2023 assessments	(10,139,646)
Unreleased penalties to offset 2024 assessments	\$ 8,700,000



### **Supplemental Funding**

#### Table B-3

Supplemental Revenue Breakdown By Program (Excludes Assessments & Penalty Sanctions)	udget 2022		Projection 2022	Budget 2023	Variance 2022 Budget 2023 Budget	
Reliability Standards						
Interest	\$ 2,972		2,972	1,586		(1,386)
Total	\$ 2,972	\$	2,972	\$ 1,586	\$	(1,386)
Compliance Monitoring, Enforcement & Org. Registration						
Interest	\$ 67,107	\$	67,107	\$ 35,947	\$	(31,160)
Total	\$ 67,107	\$	67,107	\$ 35,947	\$	(31,160)
Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis						
Interest	\$ 35,460	\$	35,460	\$ 20,088	\$	(15,372)
Total	\$ 35,460	\$	35,460	\$ 20,088	\$	(15,372)
Training and Outreach						
Workshops & Miscellaneous	\$ 194,700	\$	194,700	\$ 188,100	\$	(6,600)
Interest	1,981		1,981	1,322		(659)
Total	\$ 196,681	\$	196,681	\$ 189,422	\$	(7,259)
Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security						
Interest	\$ 1,981	\$	1,981	\$ 1,057	\$	(924)
Total	\$ 1,981	\$	1,981	\$ 1,057	\$	(924)
Corporate Services						
Interest	\$	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
Total	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
Total Supplemental Funding	\$ 304,201	S	304,201	\$ 248,100	\$	(56,101)

#### Explanation of Significant Variances-2023 Budget versus 2022 Budget

WECC anticipates its investments will earn interest of approximately \$60,000 in 2023. This revenue is allocated to the Statutory Programs based on FTEs.

#### **Reliability Standards**

• No significant changes.

# Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and Organization Registration and Certification

• No significant changes.

#### **Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis**



#### **Training and Outreach**

• No significant changes.

## Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security

• No significant changes.

## **Corporate Services**



#### **Personnel Expenses**

#### Table B-4

Personnel Expenses		Budget 2022		Projection 2022		Budget 2023		Variance 022 Budget v 2023 Budget	Variance %
Salaries									
Salaries	\$	18,388,644	\$	18,388,644	\$	20,039,300	\$	1,650,656	9.0%
Employment Agency Fees		23,000		23,000		-		(23,000)	(100.0%)
Temporary Office Services		-		-		-		-	
Total Salaries	\$	18,411,644	\$	18,411,644	\$	20,039,300	\$	1,627,656	8.8%
Total Payroll Taxes	\$	1,217,683	\$	1,217,683	\$	1,322,042	\$	104,359	8.6%
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Benefits									
Workers Compensation	\$	16,000	\$	16,000	\$	15,000	\$	(1,000)	(6.3%)
Medical Insurance		2,298,657		2,298,657		2,339,510		40,853	1.8%
Life-LTD-STD Insurance		98,165		98,165		105,665		7,500	7.6%
Education		173,249		173,249		164,347		(8,902)	(5.1%)
Relocation		-		- 1		-			. ,
Other		19,500		19,500		24,998		5,498	28.2%
Total Benefits	\$	2,605,571	\$	2,605,571	\$	2,649,520	\$	43,949	1.7%
Retirement									
Discretionary 401(k) Contribution	\$	1,633,608	\$	1,633,608	\$	1,779,268	\$	145,660	8.9%
Retirement Administration Fees	Ψ	30,000	4	30,000	Ψ	30,000	Ψ	-	01370
Total Retirement	\$	1,663,608	\$	1,663,608	\$	1,809,268	\$	145,660	8.8%
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Total Personnel Costs	\$	23,898,506	\$	23,898,506	\$	25,820,130	\$	1,921,624	8.0%
FTEs		152.5		152.5		160.0		7.5	4.9%
Cost per FTE	đ	100 500	<i>•</i>	100 500	¢	105.044	ф.	4 - 1 4	0.50/
Salaries	\$	120,732	\$	120,732	\$	125,246	\$	4,514	3.7%
Payroll Taxes		7,985		7,985		8,263		278	3.5%
Benefits		17,086		17,086		16,560		(526)	(3.1%)
Retirement		10,909		10,909		11,308		399	3.7%
Total Cost per FTE	\$	156,712	\$	156,712	\$	161,376	\$	4,664	3.0%

#### Explanation of Significant Variances—2023 Budget versus 2022 Budget

#### Salaries

• Salaries increase by a net of \$1,628,000 primarily due to 7.5 new FTEs, a budgeted 3% merit pool, continued refinement of labor float percentages, and changes in position levels.

#### **Payroll Taxes**

• Payroll Taxes increase by a net of \$104,000 primarily due to increases in salaries.



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#### Benefits

• Medical Insurance increases by a net of \$41,000 primarily due to additional FTEs and changes in participation levels.

#### Retirement

• Discretionary 401(k) Contribution increases by a net of \$146,000 primarily due to increases in salaries.



#### **Meeting Expenses**

#### Table B-5

Meeting & Conference Call Expense	Budget 2022	Projection 2022	Budget 2023	Variance 2022 Budget v 2023 Budget	Variance %
Reliability Standards Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and	\$ - :	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Organization Registration and Certification Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis	- 29,476	- 29,476	- 56,722	- 27,246	92.4%
Training and Outreach Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security	277,146	277,146	231,509	(45,637)	(16.5%)
Corporate Services	151,422	151,422	97,950	(53,472)	(35.3%)
Total Meeting Expenses	\$ 458,044	\$ 458,044	\$ 386,181	\$ (71,863)	(15.7%)

Travel Expense	Sudget 2022	F	Projection 2022	Budget 2023	20	Variance 22 Budget v 023 Budget	Variance %
Reliability Standards	\$ 13,065	\$	13,065	\$ 7,520	\$	(5,545)	(42.4%)
Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and Organization Registration and Certification	357,990		357,990	175,520		(182,470)	(51.0%)
Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis	148,062		148,062	151,230		3,168	2.1%
Training and Outreach	6,995		6,995	6,401		(594)	(8.5%)
Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security	7,120		7,120	16,050		8,930	100.0%
Corporate Services	239,422		239,422	204,387		(35,035)	(14.6%)
Total Travel Expenses	\$ 772,654	\$	772,654	\$ 561,108	\$	(211,546)	(27.4%)

#### Explanation of Significant Variances-2023 Budget versus 2022 Budget

#### Meeting & Conference Call Expense

- RAPA increases by \$27,000 primarily due to the transfer of the technical committees' budget from Corporate Services.
- Training and Outreach decreases by \$46,000 primarily to align the budget with historical spending for in-person meetings and the change of three Grid Fundamental classes to a virtual format to increase engagement and to accommodate circumstances related to the pandemic.
- Corporate Services decreases by a net of \$53,000 primarily due to the transfer of the technical committees' budget to RAPA.

#### **Travel Expense**

- CMEP decreases by a net of \$182,000 primarily due to planned reductions in travel requirements for audit teams and support staff and a planned increase in virtual meetings.
- Corporate Services decreases by a net of \$35,000 primarily due to a planned increase in virtual meetings, anticipated increases in state and provincial outreach visits, and to align the budget with historical spending.



#### **Consultants and Contracts**

#### Table B-6

Consultants	Budget 2022	Į	Projection 2022	Budget 2023	Variance 2022 Budget v 2023 Budget	Variance %
Consultants						
Reliability Standards	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	
Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and				50,000	50.00	) 100.0%
Organization Registration and Certification	-		-	50,000	50,000	100.0 %
Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis	208,100		208,100	159,000	(49,10)	)) (23.6%)
Training and Outreach	-		-	-	-	
Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security	-		-	-	-	
Corporate Services	796,500		796,500	1,045,100	248,60	) 31.2%
Consultants Total	\$ 1,004,600	\$	1,004,600	\$ 1,254,100	\$ 249,50	) 24.8%

Contracts	Bud 20	-	rojection 2022	Budget 2023	Variance 2022 Budget 2023 Budget	
Contracts						
Reliability Standards	\$	- \$	-	\$ -	\$ -	
Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and						
Organization Registration and Certification Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis		-			-	
Training and Outreach		-	-	-	-	
Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security		-	-	-	-	
Corporate Services		-	-	-	-	
Contracts Total	\$	- \$	-	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Consulting and Contracts	\$	1,004,600 \$	1,004,600	\$ 1,254,100	) \$ 249,5	00 24.8%

#### Explanation of Significant Variances-2023 Budget versus 2022 Budget

#### Consultants

- CMEP increases by \$50,000 due to Reliability and Security Oversight consulting to address a skills gap in protection and controls standards.
- RAPA decreases by a net of \$49,000 primarily due to the completion of one-time MAVRIC probabilistic tool updates.
- Corporate Services increases by a net of \$249,000 primarily due to the addition of content management tools to enhance data portals, collection, and management to be funded with the Peak Reliability donation, the completion of a Board Director search, and a planned reduction in organizational development consulting.

#### Contracts



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#### **Office Rent**

#### Table B-7

Office Rent	Budget 2022	F	Projection 2022	Budget 2023	202	/ariance 2 Budget v 23 Budget	Variance %
Office Rent Utilities Maintenance Security	\$ 1,293,336 - 13,576 -	\$	1,293,336 - 13,576 -	\$ 1,301,772 - 16,664 -	\$	8,436 - 3,088 -	0.7% 22.7%
Total Office Rent	\$ 1,306,912	\$	1,306,912	\$ 1,318,436	\$	11,524	0.9%

#### Explanation of Significant Variances—2023 Budget versus 2022 Budget

• Office Rent increases by \$12,000 primarily due to anticipated increases for operating expenses for the Salt Lake office lease.



#### **Office Costs**

#### Table B-8

Budget 2022		Projection 2022		Budget 2023		-	Variance %
\$ 91,100	\$	91,100	\$	92,600	\$	1,500	1.6%
82,992		82,992		85,776		2,784	3.4%
75,613		75,613		73,224		(2,389)	(3.2%)
1,092,854		1,092,854		1,520,317		427,463	39.1%
61,314		61,314		65,005		3,691	6.0%
312,699		312,699		235,957		(76,742)	(24.5%)
1,500		1,500		1,500		-	0.0%
5,722		5,722		7,844		2,122	37.1%
18,316		18,316		11,516		(6,800)	(37.1%)
51,225		51,225		51,225		-	0.0%
51,000		51,000		29,122		(21,878)	(42.9%)
\$ 1,844,335	\$	1,844,335	\$	2,174,086	\$	329,751	17.9%
\$	2022 \$ 91,100 82,992 75,613 1,092,854 61,314 312,699 1,500 5,722 18,316 51,225 51,000	2022 \$ 91,100 \$ 82,992 75,613 1,092,854 61,314 312,699 1,500 5,722 18,316 51,225 51,000	2022         2022           \$         91,100         \$         91,100           \$         91,100         \$         91,100           \$         91,100         \$         91,100           \$         91,100         \$         91,100           \$         91,100         \$         91,100           \$         91,2992         \$         \$           75,613         75,613         1,092,854           61,314         61,314         61,314           312,699         312,699         312,699           1,500         1,500         5,722           5,722         5,722         5,722           18,316         18,316         18,316           51,225         51,000         51,000	2022         2022           \$         91,100         \$         91,100         \$           \$         91,100         \$         91,100         \$           \$         91,000         \$         91,100         \$           \$         82,992         82,992         \$         \$           75,613         75,613         75,613         1,092,854         61,314         61,314           \$         312,699         312,699         312,699         1,500         5,722         5,722           \$         5,722         5,722         5,722         18,316         18,316         \$           \$         51,225         51,225         51,000         \$         \$         \$	2022         2022         2023           \$ 91,100         \$ 91,100         \$ 92,600           82,992         82,992         85,776           75,613         75,613         73,224           1,092,854         1,092,854         1,520,317           61,314         61,314         65,005           312,699         312,699         235,957           1,500         1,500         1,500           5,722         5,722         7,844           18,316         18,316         11,516           51,225         51,225         51,225           51,000         51,000         29,122	202220222023\$91,100\$92,600\$\$82,99282,99285,77675,61375,61373,2241,092,8541,092,8541,520,31761,31461,31465,005312,699312,699235,9571,5001,5001,5005,7225,7227,84418,31618,31611,51651,22551,22551,22551,00051,00029,122	Budget 2022Projection 2022Budget 20232022 Budget v 2023 Budget\$91,100\$92,600\$1,500\$2,99282,99285,7762,78475,61375,61373,224(2,389)1,092,8541,092,8541,520,317427,46361,31461,31465,0053,691312,699312,699235,957(76,742)1,5001,500-5,7225,7227,8442,12218,31618,31611,516(6,800)51,22551,22551,00051,00029,122(21,878)

#### Explanation of Significant Variances-2023 Budget versus 2022 Budget

- Computer Supplies and Maintenance increases by a net of \$427,000 primarily due to the increase in subscription-based security tools and software and the addition of the PLEXOS energy market simulation platform which will be funded with Peak Reliability Donation funds. A portion of the increase also relates to the reclassification of cybersecurity costs from Dues and Fees.
- Dues and Fees decrease by \$77,000 primarily due to reclassification of cybersecurity costs as Computer Supplies and Maintenance and to align the budget with historical spending for Board Director dues and memberships.
- Taxes decrease by \$22,000 due to a decrease in business and occupational taxes assessed on WECC's annual assessments.



#### **Professional Services**

#### Table B-9

Professional Services	Budget 2022	Projection 2022	Budget 2023	202	Variance 2 Budget v 23 Budget	Variance %
Board Director Fees Outside Legal	\$ 911,000	\$ 911,000	\$ 947,000	\$	36,000	4.0%
Accounting and Auditing Fees	41,000	41,000	44,000		3,000	7.3%
Insurance Commercial	93,000	93,000	96,000		3,000	3.2%
Total Services	\$ 1,045,000	\$ 1,045,000	\$ 1,087,000	\$	42,000	4.0%

#### Explanation of Significant Variances—2023 Budget versus 2022 Budget

• Board Director Fees increase by a net of \$36,000 primarily due to an increase in Board Director retainers.



#### Miscellaneous Expenses

#### Table B-10

Miscellaneous Expenses	Budget 2022	Projection 2022	Budget 2023	Variance 2022 Budget v 2023 Budget	Variance %
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Micellaneous Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$	\$ -	

## Explanation of Significant Variances—2023 Budget versus 2022 Budget

• Not applicable.



#### **Other Non-Operating**

#### Table B-11

Other Non-Operating Expenses	Budget 2022	Projection 2022	Budget 2023	Variance D22 Budget v 2023 Budget V	ariance %
Interest Expense Line of Credit Payment Office Relocation	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ -	\$ - - -	
Total Non-Operating Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

## Explanation of Significant Variances—2023 Budget versus 2022 Budget

• Not applicable.



#### **Fixed Assets**

#### Table B-12

Fixed Assets	Budget 2022	Projection 2022	Budget 2023	Variance 2022 Budget v 2023 Budget	Variance %
Computer and Software CapEx Furniture and Fixtures CapEx Equipment CapEx Leasehold Improvements	\$ - - 119,000 -	\$ - - - -	\$ - 59,000 -	\$ - (60,000) -	(50.4%)
	\$ 119,000	\$ 119,000	\$ 59,000	\$ (60,000)	(50.4%)

#### Explanation of Significant Variances—2023 Budget versus 2022 Budget

• Equipment CapEx decreases by a net of \$60,000 primarily due to refreshes of storage arrays completed in 2022.







# Non-Statutory Program

Western Renewable En	 <b>Generatio</b> whole dollars	nformation Sy	yste	em
	22 Budget	(	Increase Decrease)	
Total FTEs	7.0	9.0		2.0
Direct Expenses	\$ 1,359,383	\$ 2,009,869	\$	650,486
Indirect Expenses	\$ 695,066	\$ 964,606	\$	269,540
Inc(Dec) in Fixed Assets	\$ 682,086	\$ 4,335	\$	(677,751)
Total Funding Requirement	\$ (437,693)	\$ (298,949)	\$	138,744

# Section C-Non-Statutory Program

#### WREGIS

The Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System (WREGIS) is an independent, renewable energy database for the Western Interconnection. WREGIS creates renewable energy certificates (REC) for verifiable renewable generation from units that are registered in the database.

WREGIS was developed by the Western Governors' Association, the Western Regional Air Partnership, and the California Energy Commission (CEC). This development was further guided by stakeholder input from more than 400 participants for more than three years.

The program was integrated into WECC on March 31, 2012, following the expiration of the contract between WECC and the CEC that provided for backstop funding. WREGIS is advised by two committees: the Stakeholder Advisory Committee, which is open to all interested participants, and the WREGIS Committee, which is open to members and various stakeholder groups.

WREGIS costs fall outside Section 215 of the Federal Power Act. Participants fund WREGIS through registration and transaction fees. To avoid any crossover of Section 215 dollars, a portion of WECC's overhead costs are allocated to the program based on a formula implemented following a FERC audit.

WREGIS consists of two parts: the information system software and administrative operations. Staff coordinates with the software contractor and performs all the administrative tasks, including:

- Registering account holders and generation units;
- Training users;
- Providing customer service and help desk services;
- Supporting participating programs by facilitating cooperation and research into ongoing issues and sharing documentation with participants;
- Auditing generation and other data; and
- Managing the budgeting, billing, and financial reporting.



#### 2023 Key Budget Assumptions

WREGIS is funded entirely by user fees and is not subsidized by Section 215 funding. There are several types of user fees. Annual fees are paid by all users and are based on size (generation capacity) and user type. Usage fees are paid by all but micro, small, and medium generation owners. WREGIS also charges fees for ad hoc reporting and e-Tag related data services.

- User fees are based on size (generation capacity) and user type.
  - Approximately 4% of revenues are based on annual fees.
  - Approximately 92% of revenues are based on usage fees, which can depend on factors like weather (wind and solar generation levels) and state regulatory policies (retirement, transfers, etc.).
  - Approximately 4% of revenues are attributable to fees for specific, requested functions like tracking e-Tags.
- Revenues vary from year to year, so WREGIS reserves are held to allow for normal operations.
- The software will receive continual upgrades and the costs are built into the monthly fee.
- Travel for training and audits will begin to increase after a reduction caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Two program analysts are added due to program growth, increasing account holder audit requirements, and software needs.

#### 2023 Goals and Key Deliverables

- Continuously improve program processes and tools to adapt to changes in the industry.
- Deliver quantitative and qualitative results for corporate scorecard items, and develop methods and metrics for ongoing evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency.
- Maintain compliance with the participating state and provincial programs, and voluntary programs.
- Register program participants.
- Refine and improve data collection to ensure high-quality data.
- Perform 12 tabletop account holder audits split between Qualified Reporting Entities and account holder customers. Four audits are expected to be completed on site.
- Deliver one in-person account holder training session and quarterly virtual account holder training sessions.
- Deliver one in-person and two virtual Qualified Reporting Entity training sessions.

#### **Resource Requirements/Explanation of Significant Changes**

#### **Funding Sources**

• Membership Fees increase by a net of \$440,000 primarily due to an anticipated increase in program participation.



#### Section C-Non-Statutory Program

• Interest decreases by \$60,000 primarily due to low rates of return on investments.

#### **Personnel Expenses**

• Personnel Expenses increase by a net of \$249,000 primarily due to two new positions, a budgeted 3% merit pool, continued refinement of labor float percentages, and the refinement of payroll tax and benefits rates.

#### **Meeting Expenses**

• No significant changes.

#### **Operating Expenses**

• Office Costs increase by \$393,000 primarily due to increased maintenance expenses and planned upgrades for the WREGIS software.

#### **Indirect Expenses**

• Indirect Expenses increase by a net of \$270,000 primarily due to two new positions added in this program and an increase in Corporate Services expenses. Corporate Services expenses are allocated to statutory and non-statutory program areas based on FTEs.

#### **Fixed Assets**

• Fixed Assets decrease by a net of \$678,000 primarily due to a major software upgrade to the WREGIS software completed in 2022 and a reduction in fixed asset additions in Corporate Services. Corporate Services expenses are allocated to statutory and non-statutory program areas based on FTEs.

#### **Other Non-Operating Expenses**



## WREGIS Program Funding Sources and Expenditures

Statement of Activities, Fixe 2022 Buc		ets Expend Projection				orking (	Capi	tal		
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		2022 Budget		2022 Projection	Variance 2022 Budget v 2022 Projection Over(Under)			2023 Budget	2023 202	Variance 3 Budget v 22 Budget nc(Dec)
Revenue										
Statutory Funding	¢		¢		<b>b</b>		<i>•</i>		¢	
WECC Assessments	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Penalties Released Total Statutory Funding	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	
Total Statutory Funding	Ψ		Ψ				Ψ		Ψ	
Membership Fees	\$	2,226,842	\$	2,226,842	\$	-		2,666,736	\$	439,894
Workshops & Miscellaneous		-		-		-		1,125		1,125
Interest (A)	-	72,000	-	72,000	<u>_</u>	-	-	12,000	<b>•</b>	(60,000)
Total Revenue (A)	\$	2,298,842	\$	2,298,842	\$		\$	2,679,861	\$	381,019
Expenses										
Personnel Expenses										
Salaries	\$	575,261	\$	575,261	\$	-	\$	765,205	\$	189,944
Payroll Taxes		38,580		38,580		-		51,670		13,090
Benefits		94,874		94,874		-		123,553		28,679
Retirement Costs		51,123		51,123		-		68,072	-	16,949
Total Personnel Expenses	\$	759,838	\$	759,838	\$	-	\$	1,008,500	\$	248,662
Meeting Expenses										
Meetings & Conference Calls	\$	1,485	\$	1,485	\$	-	\$	3,350	\$	1,865
Travel		9,975		9,975		-		17,620		7,645
Total Meeting Expenses	\$	11,460	\$	11,460	\$	-	\$	20,970	\$	9,510
Operating Expenses, excluding Depreciation										
Consultants & Contracts	\$		\$		\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Office Rent	ψ		ψ		ψ	_	ψ	_	ψ	_
Office Costs		588,085		588,085		_		980,399		392,314
Professional Services		-		-		-		-		-
Miscellaneous		_		-		-		-		-
Total Operating Expenses	\$	588,085	\$	588,085	\$	-	\$	980,399	\$	392,314
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Total Direct Expenses	\$	1,359,383	\$	1,359,383	\$	-	\$	2,009,869	\$	650,486
Indirect Expenses	\$	695,066	\$	695,066	\$	-	\$	964,606	\$	269,540
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total Expenses (B)	\$	2,054,449	\$	2,054,449	\$	-	\$	2,974,475	\$	920,026
Change in Net Assets (=A-B)	\$	244,393	\$	244,393	\$	-	\$	(294,614)	\$	(539,007)
				<u> </u>						
Fixed Assets, excluding Right of Use Assets (C)	\$	682,086	\$	682,086	\$	-	\$	4,335	\$	(677,751)
TOTAL BUDGET (=B+C)	\$	2,736,535	\$	2,736,535	\$	-	\$	2,978,810	\$	242,275
TOTAL CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL (=A-B-C)	\$	(437,693)	\$	(437,693)	\$	-	\$	(298,949)	\$	138,744
FTEs		7.0		7.0		-		9.0		2.0
HC		7.0		7.0		-		9.0		2.0
		7.0		7.0				2.0		2.0



#### **Personnel Analysis**

FTEs are defined as full-time equivalent employees only. Fractional FTEs reflect part-time employees or employees who worked in fewer than all four quarters of the year.

Total FTEs by Program Area	Budget 2022 NC	Projection 2022 N-STATUTOR	Direct FTEs 2023 Budget Y	Shared FTEs* 2023 Budget	Total FTEs 2023 Budget	Change from 2022 Budget
Operational Programs						
Total FTEs Operational Programs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Administrative Programs						
WREGIS	7.0	7.0	9.0	0.0	9.0	2.0
Total FTEs Administrative Programs	7.0	7.0	9.0	0.0	9.0	2.0
Total FTEs	7.0	7.0	9.0	0.0	9.0	2.0

\*A shared FTE is defined as an employee who performs both Statutory and Non-Statutory functions.

#### **Reserve Analysis**

NON-STATUTORY	
Beginning Reserve (Deficit), January 1, 2022	\$ Total 8,435,435
Plus: 2022 Funding Less: 2022 Projected expenses & capital expenditures	2,298,842 (2,736,535)
Projected Working Capital Reserve (Deficit), December 31, 2022	\$ 7,997,742
Plus: 2023 Funding	2,679,861
Less: 2023 Projected expenses & capital expenditures	(2,978,810)
Projected Working Capital Reserve, December 31, 2023	\$ 7,698,793

Working Capital Reserve Analysis





# Section D

# Additional Financial Information

# Section D—Additional Financial Information

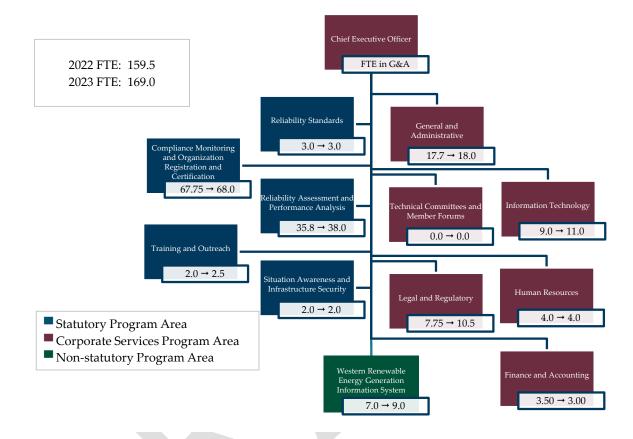
#### 2023 Consolidated Statement of Activities by Program, Statutory, and Non-Statutory

									5	Statutor	y Functions					Non-Statutory F	unctions
Statement of Activities and Capital Expenditures by Program		Total	Statutory Total	Non-Statutory Total	Sta	tutory Total	Reliability Standards	y O s Reg	mpliance and rganization istration and ertification	Assess Perfo	iability sment and ormance aalysis	Training and Outreach	Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security	Corporate Services	Nor	n-Statutory Total	WREGIS
Revenue																	
Statutory Funding WECC Assessments Penalties Released	\$	20,708,354 10,139,646	\$ 20,708,354 10,139,646	\$	\$	20,708,354 5 10,139,646	5 593, 268,	,246 \$	12,012,715 6,074,854	\$	7,308,359 \$ 3,394,771	\$ 399,274 223,340	\$ 394,759 178.672	Б - -	\$	- \$	-
Total Statutory Funding	\$	30,848,000	\$ 30,848,000	\$-	\$	30,848,000 \$		,255 \$	18,087,569	\$	10,703,130	\$ 622,614		ş -	\$	- \$	
Non-statutory Funding Workshops & Miscellaneous Interest Total Revenue (A)	\$	2,666,736 189,225 72,000 33,775,961	\$ - 188,100 60,000 \$ <b>31,096,100</b>	\$ 2,666,736 1,125 12,000 \$ 2,679,861	\$	- 5 188,100 60,000 <b>31,096,100</b>	1,	- \$ - ,586 .841 \$	35,947 18,123,516		- 9 20,088 10,723,218	5 - 188,100 1,322 5 812,036	1,057	6 - - -	\$	2,666,736 \$ 1,125 12,000 2,679,861 \$	2,666,736 1,125 12,000 2,679,861
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Expenses Personnel Expenses Salaries	\$	20,804,505	,,		\$	20,039,300		,183 \$	8,451,094		4,781,745				\$	765,205 \$	765,205
Payroll Taxes Benefits Retirement Costs		1,373,712 2,773,073 1,877,340	1,322,042 2,649,520 1,809,268	51,670 123,553 68,072	-	1,322,042 2,649,520 1,809,268	40, 38,	,906 ,337 ,809	570,620 954,682 751,618		319,728 544,248 425,406	15,528 37,358 20,495	19,137 29,904 24,648	368,123 1,042,991 548,292	·	51,670 123,553 68,072	51,670 123,553 68,072
Total Personnel Expenses	\$	26,828,630	\$ 25,820,130	\$ 1,008,500	\$	25,820,130	545,	,235 \$	10,728,014	\$	6,071,127 \$	\$ 303,661	\$ 350,635	\$ 7,821,458	\$	1,008,500 \$	1,008,500
Meeting Expenses Meetings & Conference Calls Travel	\$	389,531 578,728	561,108	17,620	\$	386,181 561,108	7,	- \$ ,520	- 175,520		56,722 \$ 151,230	6,401	16,050	204,387	\$	3,350 \$ 17,620	3,350 17,620
Total Meeting Expenses	\$	968,259	\$ 947,289	\$ 20,970	\$	947,289	57,	,520 \$	175,520	\$	207,952 \$	\$ 237,910	\$ 16,050	\$ 302,337	\$	20,970 \$	20,970
<b>Operating Expenses, excluding Depreciation</b> Consultants & Contracts	\$	-)	\$ 1,254,100	\$ -	\$	1,254,100 \$	5	- \$	50,000	\$	159,000 \$	÷ -	\$	, 1,010,100	\$	- \$	-
Office Rent Office Costs Professional Services Miscellaneous		1,318,436 3,154,485 1,087,000	1,318,436 2,174,086 1,087,000	- 980,399 -		1,318,436 2,174,086 1,087,000	3,	- ,615 -	- 195,877 -		- 399,237 -	- 16,853 -	- 3,475 -	1,318,436 1,555,029 1,087,000		- 980,399 -	- 980,399 -
Total Operating Expenses	\$	6,814,021	\$ 5,833,622	\$ 980,399	\$	5,833,622	5 3,	,615 \$	245,877	\$	558,237 \$	\$ 16,853	\$ 3,475	5,005,565	\$	980,399 \$	980,399
Total Direct Expenses	\$	34,610,911	\$ 32,601,042	\$ 2,009,869	\$	32,601,042	5 556,	,370 \$	11,149,411	\$	6,837,316	\$ 558,424	\$ 370,160	\$ 13,129,360	\$	2,009,869 \$	2,009,869
Indirect Expenses	\$	-	\$ (964,606)	\$ 964,606	\$	(964,606)	5 321,	,535 \$	7,288,134	\$	4,072,781 \$	\$ 267,946	\$ 214,357	\$ (13,129,360)	\$	964,606 \$	964,606
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$		\$ -	\$ -	\$	- 5	5	- \$	-	\$	- 4	÷ -	\$ -	÷ -	\$	- \$	-
Total Expenses (B)	\$	34,610,911	\$ 31,636,435	\$ 2,974,475	\$	31,636,435	<b>8</b> 77,	,905 \$	18,437,545	\$	10,910,097 \$	\$ 826,370	\$ 584,517	s -	\$	2,974,475 \$	2,974,475
Change in Net Assets (=A-B)	\$	(834,950)	\$ (540,336)	\$ (294,614)	\$	(540,335)	6 (15,	,065) \$	(314,029)	\$	(186,878)	\$ (14,334)	\$ (10,029)	ş -	\$	(294,614) \$	(294,614)
Fixed Assets, excluding Right of Use Assets (C)	\$	59,000	\$ 54,665	\$ 4,335	\$	54,665	§ 1,	,445 \$	32,751	\$	18,302	\$ 1,204	\$ 963	ŝ -	\$	4,335 \$	4,335
TOTAL BUDGET (B+C) TOTAL CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL (A-B-C)	\$ \$	34,669,911 (893,950)			\$	31,691,100 S		,350 \$ .510) \$	18,470,296 (346,780)		10,928,399 (205,180) \$				\$ \$	2,978,810 \$ (298,949) \$	2,978,810 (298.949)
FTEs HC		169.0 169.0	160.0 160.0	9.0 9.0		160.0 160.0		3.0 3.0	68.0 68.0		38.0 38.0	2.5 2.0	2.0 2.0	46.5 47.0		9.0 9.0	9.0 9.0



# Appendix A—Organizational Chart

# Changes in Budgeted FTE by Program Area





# Appendix B—2023 Budget & Projected 2024 and 2025 Budgets

						ital Expenditu nd 2025 Budg						
		2023 Budg	jet a	Statutor		na 2025 Buag	ets					
		2023		2024	y	\$ Change	% Change		2025		\$ Change	% Change
		Budget		Projection		23 v 24	23 v 24		Projection		24 v 25	24 v 25
Revenue												
Statutory Funding												
WECC Assessments	\$	20,708,354	\$	23,137,473	\$	2,429,119	11.7%	\$	26,000,000	\$	2,862,527	12.4%
Penalties Released	\$	10,139,646	\$	8,700,000	¢	(1,439,646) 989,473	(14.2%)	\$	26.000.000	\$	(8,700,000)	(100.0%)
Total Statutory Funding	<u> </u>	30,848,000	<u> </u>	31,837,473	\$	989,473	3.2%	<u> </u>	.,,		(5,837,473)	(18.3%)
Membership Fees	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-		\$		\$	-	
Workshops & Miscellaneous		188,100		188,100		-	0.0%		188,100		-	0.0%
Interest		60,000		60,000		-	0.0%		60,000		-	0.0%
Total Revenue (A)	\$	31,096,100	\$	32,085,573	\$	989,473	3.2%	\$	26,248,100	\$	(5,837,473)	(18.2%)
Expenses												
Personnel Expenses												
Salaries	\$	20,039,300	\$	20,640,479	\$	601,179	3.0%	\$	21,259,693	\$	619,214	3.0%
Payroll Taxes		1,322,042		1,361,703		39,661	3.0%		1,402,554		40,851	3.0%
Benefits		2,649,520		2,729,006		79,486	3.0%		2,810,876		81,870	3.0%
Retirement Costs		1,809,268		1,863,546		54,278	3.0%		1,919,452		55,906	3.0%
Total Personnel Expenses	\$	25,820,130	\$	26,594,734	\$	774,604	3.0%	\$	27,392,576	\$	797,842	3.0%
Meeting Expenses												
Meetings & Conference Calls	\$	386,181	\$	386,181	\$	-	0.0%	\$	386,181	\$	_	0.0%
Travel		561,108		589,163		28,055	5.0%		618,622		29,458	5.0%
Total Meeting Expenses	\$	947,289	\$	975,344	\$	28,055	3.0%	\$	1,004,803	\$	29,458	3.0%
Operating Expenses, excluding Depreciation												
Consultants & Contracts	\$	1,254,100	\$	629,100	\$	(625,000)	(49.8%)	\$	629,100	s	-	0.0%
Office Rent	*	1,318,436		1,318,436		-	0.0%		1,318,436	*	-	0.0%
Office Costs		2,174,086		2,195,827		21,741	1.0%		2,217,785		21,958	1.0%
Professional Services		1,087,000		1,119,610		32,610	3.0%		1,153,198		33,588	3.0%
Miscellaneous				-		-			-		-	
Total Operating Expenses	\$	5,833,622	\$	5,262,973	\$	(570,649)	(9.8%)	\$	5,318,519	\$	55,547	1.1%
Total Direct Expenses	\$	32,601,042	\$	32,833,051	\$	232,010	0.7%	\$	33,715,898	\$	882,847	2.7%
Indirect Expenses	\$	(964,606)	\$	(971,358)	\$	(6,752)	0.7%	\$	(997,585)	\$	(26,226.67)	2.7%
Other Non-Operating Expenses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	•		\$	-	\$	-	
Total Expenses (B)	\$	31,636,436	\$	31,861,693	\$	225,256	0.7%	\$	32,718,313	\$	856,620	2.7%
Change in Assets	\$	(540,336)	\$	223,880	\$	764,217	(141.4%)	\$	(6,470,213)	\$	(6,694,093)	(2,990.0%)
Incr(Dec) in Fixed Assets (C)	\$	54,665	\$	54,665	\$	-	0.0%	\$	54,665	\$	-	0.0%
TOTAL BUDGET (B+C)	\$	31,691,101	\$	31,916,358	\$	225,256	0.7%	\$	32,772,978	\$	856,620	2.7%
TOTAL CHANGE IN WORKING CAPITAL (A-B-C)		(595,001)		169,215		764,217	(128.4%)	\$	(6,524,878)	\$	(6,694,093)	(3,956.0%)
FTEs HC		160.0 160.0		160.0 160.0		-	0.0% 0.0%		160.0 160.0		-	0.0% 0.0%



# Appendix C—Adjustment to the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) Assessment

To be inserted after Net Energy for Load data is collected.



# Appendix D—Statutory and Non-Statutory Budget History Charts

