

Regional Transmission Organization Study

SB 589 (2021)

Identifying Oregon Stakeholder Perspectives on Participation in an RTO

In 2021, the Legislature directed ODOE to conduct a literature review of recent relevant studies and to convene a stakeholder advisory committee to inform discussions on the opportunities, barriers, and challenges of Oregon entities participating in a Regional Transmission Organization (RTO). ODOE will synthesize key findings from the literature with perspectives from the advisory committee in a report to the Legislature that is due on December 31, 2021.

Stakeholder Advisory Committee

- State Senator Kathleen Taylor
- Commissioner Letha Tawney, PUC
- Scott Coe, Emerald PUD
- Robert Echenrode, Umatilla Electric Coop
- Sarah Edmonds, PGE
- Travis Eri, IBEW Local 125
- Spencer Gray, NIPPC
- State Representative Pam Marsh
- Kristen Sheeran, Governor's Office
- Nicole Hughes, Renewable Northwest
- Frank Lawson, EWEB
- Oriana Magnera, Verde
- Lindsey Schlekeway, PacifiCorp

Ex Officio Members:

- Ravi Aggarwal, BPA
- Kathy Anderson, Idaho Power
- Mike Goetz, Oregon CUB
- Fred Heutte, Northwest Energy Coalition
- Ben Kujala, Northwest Power Council
- Mary Pleasant, Oregon DEQ

Advisory Committee Timeline:

July 2021:	Oregon RTO Advisory Committee appointed by ODOE
August 2021:	Gathering written feedback from Advisory Committee on key questions
September 20, 2021:	Advisory Committee Meeting #1
October 6, 2021:	Advisory Committee Meeting #2
November 2021:	Draft report to the Legislature available for comment
December 31, 2021:	Report due to the State Legislature

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