PacifiCorp's Joint Community Benefits & Impacts Advisory Group (CBIAG) Meeting Public Notes

Wednesday, August 18, 2026, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., Pacific Time

These notes were synthesized and summarized by E Source, PacifiCorp's meeting facilitation partner.

Executive Summary

August's Joint Community Benefits and Impacts Advisory Group (CBIAG) meeting was conducted in partnership with the E Source Facilitation Team via the Zoom platform to continue planning for the Biennial Report. The meeting was held on Wednesday, August 19, 2026, from 1:00-4:00 pm Pacific Time. At the joint August engagement, six CBIAG Members and three CBIAG for Tribal Nations members attended. The meeting provided an opportunity to continue the conversation around Biennial Report components with both groups in one room.

Meeting Objectives

1. Share updates on relevant activities happening at PacifiCorp
2. Expand conversation around wildfire mitigation and how that work contributes to resilience efforts
3. Discuss Distribution System Planning (DSP) and contextualize how infrastructure investments are selected

TIMING	TOPIC
1:00	Objectives and Presenters
1:10	Check In
1:25	Updates: • Tribal Liaison • Regulations • RFP Non-Price Scoring • Washington Transaction
1:55	DSP & Understanding Grid Investments
2:40	Break (10 minutes)
2:50	Wildfire Mitigation Plan

3:25	Community-Based Renewable Energy (CBRE)
3:45	Public Comment
3:50	Check Out, Summary & Next Steps

Attendees	Organization
2026 CBIAG Members	
Jim Deason	Legal Counsel for the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla American Indian Reservation
Ellsworth Lang	Klamath Tribes
Joy Lark	IVCanDo
Tim Lynch	Multnomah County of Sustainability
Kendra Schaffer	Rural Development Initiatives
Anahi Segovia Rodriguez	Verde
Yahaira Torres	Rural Development Initiatives
Sara Wallach	Community Energy Project
Mason	Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla American Indian Reservation
Presenters	
Brandon Capps	Program Manager, Wildfire Mitigation
Rohini Ghosh	Senior Director, Clean Energy Planning
Cara Glennon-Olsen	CBI Advisor, Clean Energy Planning
Cassandra Hales	Coordinator, Community Affairs
Ian Hoogendam	Director, Reliability Standards and System Modeling
Christina Kruger	Manager, Stakeholder Policy & Engagement
Robert Meredith	Director, Regulation
Tracy Moreland	Tribal Liaison, Government Affairs
Sarah Reed	Resource and Commercial Strategy
Shauna Thomas	Manager, Distribution System Planning
Tag Galvin-Darnieder	E Source, Facilitation Team
Morgan Westberry	E Source, Facilitation Team
Zanya Morgan	E Source, Facilitation Team
Public Attendees	
Karen Chase	Energy Trust of Oregon
Charles Lockwood	Oregon Public Utilities Commission
Samantha Thompson	PGE
PacifiCorp Affiliated Attendees	
Kimberly Alejandro	Regulatory Manager, Clean Energy Planning
Sema Ette-Umoh	
Robert Flamenbaum	
Corrinna Griffis	Regulatory Specialist, Resource Planning

Zachary Hymes	Senior Regulatory Specialist
Melissa Swenson	Director, Wildfire Mitigation Program Delivery
Amira Thompson	Manager, State Regulatory Affairs

Meeting Notes

Opening

PacifiCorp's Christina Kruger, Stakeholder Policy and Engagement Manager, welcomed participants to the Joint August Community Benefits and Impacts Advisory Group meeting. PacifiCorp is seeking to offer a space for meaningful dialogue and an opportunity to help offer lenses on the work that is happening at the utility, as well as anywhere consultation can help to influence that work. Morgan Westberry, from the E Source facilitation team, then opened the meeting by reviewing the agenda, introducing presenters, and sharing meeting experience items.

Ms. Westberry informed the group of what to expect from today's Biennial Report discussions on HB2021 Section 6 (C) Actions in environmental justice communities to build resilience and support investment in the distribution system and (D) Distribution of Grid and Infrastructure Investments in Communities or that facilitate meeting Clean Energy Targets.

For each SME segment focused on Section 6 (C) and (D) advisors are invited to share their community-level perspective, including key observations and experiences from their work.

Check In

Morgan Westberry "checked-in" with meeting attendees by asking: *What is one thing you wish decisionmakers understood about your community?*

- The Latinx community is not a monolith; individuals share unique experiences and cultural backgrounds based on origin countries
- Tribal communities are not one-size fits all; Tribes have different laws and government affairs on separate levels. Tribes are not just interested parties but a sovereign government and are very unique as people
- People in rural communities are extremely resource and can find innovative ways to get what they need, but this can cause problems later down the road
- Although a community can represent those living in a neighborhood, that does not automatically mean residents of a community feel deeply connected to one another and this could be due to several factors such as cultural background, socioeconomic status, and professional experience
- Everyone is feeling a sense of urgency, fear, and uncertainty about the world right now
- Some community members represent a very small statistic of the broader group
- DEI is especially important in BIPOC communities and representation from all income groups is needed at the table to better understand the root cause of an issue
- Decisionmakers play a critical role in creating conditions for community success
- Employees of organizations do not "represent" Tribes, but serve them in the capacities asked to and relay information as best as possible

Closing the Loop

Cassandra Hales, Community Affairs Coordinator, recapped the July CBIAG engagements, highlighting the following topics, feedback, and next steps:

Topics:

- Charter Validation
- BiRep: Executive Summary
- Transportation Electrification
- Resource Procurement:
- Origination
- Contracting with Diverse-Owned Businesses

Next Steps:

- Continued dialogue around Section 6 Items A-H to develop upcoming Biennial Report

Feedback:

- MultCo suggested evaluating whether commitments related to the non-price scoring questionnaire were simply proposed or are included in the contract obligation and are being measured against performance

Updates

Christina Kruger informed the group of the purpose of the numerous updates, including to provide relevant updates to the Advisory Groups, close the loop on questions asked and feedback provided by the CBIAG, and to add context to the upcoming changes anticipated for the Oregon service territory.

Tribal Liaison, Tracy Moreland, shared recent updates around Tribal efforts related to wildfire season, system upgrades, and managing the relationship between PacifiCorp and Oregon Tribes. Since August has been an extremely busy wildfire season, Ms. Moreland is working closely with the PacifiCorp regional business managers, the emergency management team, and company partners to ensure Tribes have access to resources to support those effected during weather events. Additionally, there is an upcoming transmission line project, Blueprint South, in which executives have begun engaging the chairs of Oregon tribes to gauge interest in meeting and further discussing the project. If additional parties are interested, Ms. Moreland is happy to liaise those conversations. Along with supporting Tribes, Ms. Moreland is tasked with raising internal awareness and increasing education and appreciation for indigenous observances, traditions, and accurate history. There are several Tribal holidays coming up soon that internal PacifiCorp staff will receive memos about including Native American Day on September 25th, Orange Shirt Day on September 30th, Indigenous Peoples Day on October 12th, and Native American Heritage Month in November.

If Tribal members have any suggestions for additional ways the Tribal Liaison can support unique needs, please reach out to tracy.moreland@pacificorp.com.

Robert Meredith, Director of Regulations, provided an update on PacifiCorp's Low-Income Discount (LID) program, including a program name change and revised discount tiers. Following discussions with stakeholders and Oregon advisory groups, PacifiCorp filed ADV 1890 on July 31 to expand eligibility for the program's discount tiers. Under the previous structure, customers with household incomes between 0-5% of the State Median Income (SMI) received an 80% discount, those between 6-20% received a 40%

discount, and those between 21-60% received a 20% discount. Under the proposed structure, customers with household incomes between 0-10% of the SMI are eligible for an 80% discount; those between 11-20% are eligible for a 40% discount, and those between 21-60% remain eligible for a 20% discount. By expanding the highest discount tier, the proposal increases bill assistance for more of the program's lowest-income customers. Once the new tier structure takes effect, an arrearage management component will also be introduced. All participating customers will be eligible for a 24-month payment plan, while Tier 1 customers may qualify for up to $500 in arrearage forgiveness and Tier 2 customers may qualify for up to $250. Based on stakeholder feedback, the Low-Income Discount program is now the Level-Based Income-Qualified Discount. Still LID for short. To support the LID program, PacifiCorp is seeking a 1.2% or $23.3M annual increase to cover increased program costs and collect the $13M unrecovered balance.

Lastly, Mr. Meredith provided an update on its General Rate Case (UE 470). The original proposal included two separate rate increases; one implemented immediately and a second at a later date. However, the Oregon Public Utility Commission rejected that approach and directed that a single rate adjustment take effect on April 5, 2027. No interim rates are currently in place, as final rates remain subject to Commission approval. If approved as proposed, residential customers are expected to see an approximate 2% increase in rates.

Meeting Discussion:

- Jim Deason, Legal Counsel for the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR), asked whether there was any overlap between ADV 1890, the Low-Income Discount (LID) program filing, and UE 470, the General Rate Case (GRC).
    - Mr. Meredith explained that while these issues have historically been addressed within the GRC, PacifiCorp separated them in the most recent filing to allow for more focused stakeholder and Environmental Justice (EJ) engagement and to expedite implementation of the proposed LID program changes.
        - Mr. Deason noted that the UE 470 GRC Environmental Justice workshop is scheduled for August 25 and shared that these workshops have been valuable in helping stakeholders better understand regulatory proceedings through an EJ lens.
            - Mr. Meredith thanked Mr. Deason for the reminder and emphasized the importance of attending the workshops, noting that they provide an opportunity to break down the General Rate Case and better understand its individual components.

Sarah Reed, Resource and Commercial Strategy, shared a recap of the activities organized around the non-price scoring components of the RFP competitive bidding process. Over the last couple of months, the CBIAGs participated in a polling activity to rank the measure of community impacts to the non-price scoring benefits, as detailed in the table below.

Measuring Impact	Determining Benefit
Measuring impacts IN communities Which of these Non-Price Scoring Criteria do you correlate to making the most measurable impact IN communities?	• Number of potential local employees/created by the project • Amount of taxes and donations to the local community

	• Quantity of apprenticeships and training programs offered within a community
Communicating WITH communities Which of these Non-Price Scoring Criteria do you correlate to making the most measurable impact in communicating WITH communities?	• Outreach and engagement to disadvantaged and underrepresented groups • Outreach to non-English speaking communities • Outreach to those with limited internet access • General outreach and engagement to all communities • Making project information public via the website
WHERE impacts are felt Which of these Non-Price Scoring Criteria do you correlate to making the most measurable impact in identifying WHERE impacts are felt in communities?	• Impact to environment (e.g., wetlands, historic sites, special species, and habitats) • Proximity and benefits to Tribal groups • Restoration to environment (e.g., wetlands, historic sites, special species, and habitats) • Generally, across all communities

The objective of this exercise was to gather input that will help shape non-price scoring criteria in future RFPs. Participants reached broad consensus that several benefits would have a high or moderate impact; however, feedback on one benefit was mixed, indicating less alignment on its perceived value. There were no benefits that the majority categorized as slightly impactful or not sure.

Highly Impactful:

- Number of potential local employees/created by the project
- Quantity of apprenticeships and training programs offered within a community*
- Outreach and engagement to disadvantaged and underrepresented groups
- Outreach to non-English speaking communities
- Outreach to those with limited internet access
- Impact to environment (e.g., wetlands, historic sites, special species, and habitats)

**Unanimous*

Moderately Impactful:

- Amount of taxes and donations to the local community
- General outreach and engagement to all communities
- Proximity and benefits to Tribal groups
- Making project information public via the website

Mixed Consensus:

- Restoration to environment (e.g., wetlands, historic sites, special species, and habitats)

These polling results will be shared with an independent evaluator who will help determine the final implementation of the non-price scoring rubric. Updates will be shared as available.

Meeting Discussion:

- Tim Lynch, Multnomah County Office of Sustainability, asked how the proposed benefits will be reflected in project applications and what mechanisms will be used to ensure those commitments are carried through and monitored during contract implementation.
    - Mrs. Reed explained that future contracts will include enhanced reporting requirements to support ongoing tracking, accountability, and monitoring of proposed benefits.

Rohini Ghosh, Senior Director of Clean Energy Planning, shared insights around PacifiCorp's sale of Washington-based assets. On February 17, 2026, PacifiCorp announced that it had entered into an agreement to sell certain Washington-based assets to Gem Sub LLC, a yet-to-be named affiliate of Portland General Electric Company (PGE). Under the terms of the agreement, PGE will acquire three Washington-located generating facilities; Goodnoe Hills wind farm (94 MW), Marengo I and II wind farm (243 MW), and Chehalis natural gas facility (477 MW). The transaction also includes approximately 4,000 miles of distribution and 500 miles of transmission lines that serve approximately 137,000 Washington customers and approximately 800 MW of peak load. The transaction represents a targeted and necessary step towards strengthening PacifiCorp's financial stability and ensuring the continued delivery of safe, reliable power to our customers. PacifiCorp has filed for state regulatory approval of the transaction in all six states and with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. PacifiCorp has approval with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon in docket 443. As outlined in the application and supporting testimony, the transaction will maintain continued provision of safe, reliable electrical service while supporting long-term investments to meet customer needs and advance public goals.

PacifiCorp's 2027 resource planning cycle will include the successful sale of certain Washington-based assets as its base assumption. Changes to PacifiCorp's systemwide modeling impact updates to transmission rights, removal of gas, wind, and small hydro resources, and removal of Washington load. Benefits to Oregon customers are created through an increase in PacifiCorp East-PacifiCorp West transmission capacity that is allocated to Oregon, enabling additional resources located in PacifiCorp East to serve Oregon customers and an increase in existing clean resources that are allocated to Oregon.

Dr. Ghosh is actively working on an IRP 101 and GHG Accounting 101 session that will be brought to the groups in December to add context around complex regulatory items.

Setting Today's Table

Christina Kruger informed the group of the purpose of today's presentation and agenda items, including revisiting guidance from HB2021 on the Biennial Report, orienting advisory groups ahead of upcoming events, and connecting on how these discussions will feed future work.

Agenda items are directly tied to **SECTION 6.** (2)(a) The electric company shall develop, in consultation with the Community Benefits and Impacts Advisory Group, a biennial report that assesses the community benefits and impacts of the electric company and shall file the biennial report with the Public Utility Commission. The biennial report must include a description of the following:

(C) Actions within environmental justice communities within the electric company's service territory intended to improve resilience during adverse conditions or facilitate investments in the distribution system, including investments in facilities that generate non-emitting electricity;

(D) Distribution of infrastructure or grid investments and upgrades in environmental justice communities in the electric company's service territory, including infrastructure or grid investments

that facilitate the electric company's compliance with the clean energy targets set forth in section 3 of this 2021 Act;

The language of each of the Section 6 items discussed today items includes EJ community consideration:

- PacifiCorp is in the development phase of building our Environmental Justice Community Index (current work, gradient/weighting concept, methodology development). This foundational work is intended to inform a consistent, transparent methodology that can be applied across company planning and decision-making processes.

State-Level Environmental Justice Mapping Activities (HB 4077)

- PacifiCorp recognizes that environmental justice mapping efforts are also underway at the state level. Oregon's Environmental Justice Mapping Project, developed in coordination with the Environmental Justice Task Force, is exploring approaches to identifying and mapping communities that may experience environmental, social, and economic burdens. We are aware of these efforts and continue to monitor their development as they evolve.

Looking ahead to September, the engagement team will return with an update on development of the Environmental Justice Community Index, further development of the Community Benefits Indicator framework, initial concepts for better understanding how benefits and burdens are distributed across communities, a discussion of how the framework can evaluate energy equity, and an opportunity for stakeholder discussion and feedback.

Cara Glennon-Olsen, CBI Advisor, is working to reframe CBIs to evaluate distributional equity, which means considering differences in community needs and understanding the distribution of benefits and burdens in the energy system. This is a 3-step process aimed at:

1. **Identifying need** by using the **Environmental Justice Community Index** to identify environmental justice communities so that we can better understand **where** investments could have the greatest impacts
2. **Measuring the impact of investments** by
   - **Modeling** emissions reductions and public health benefits
   - **Tracking** grid reliability and resilience, and energy burden
3. **Evaluating the distribution** of outcomes across communities to inform more equitable planning and investment

DSP & Understanding Grid Investments

Shauna Thomas, Manager of Distribution System Planning, informed the CBIAGs on how PacifiCorp is investing and planning for the future Distribution System, provided a clearer understanding of operational and strategic roles of DSP and an overview of recent filings, and shared how DSP balances three key objectives – Affordability, Innovation, and Progress.

Distribution System Planning has five overarching goals:

1) Identify future distribution needs

2) Forecast the impacts of customer growth, electrification, and Distributed Energy Resource (DER) adoption
3) Evaluate traditional and non-traditional solution opportunities
4) Support safe, reliable, resilient, and cost-effective service
5) Maintain transparency through stakeholder and community engagement

The broader DSP team is comprised of two smaller teams, Distribution System Planning, and Field Engineering, who work together to tackle the foundational concept, address key questions, identify a solution approach, consider the planning perspective, and develop key deliverables as outlined in the graphic below.

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM PLANNING		FIELD ENGINEERING
Established to support Oregon's distribution planning guidelines(UM 2005) and advance integrated distribution system planning.	FOUNDATION	Core utility function responsible for the design, operation, and maintenance of the distribution system.
What future needs are emerging? What solutions should be considered? Analyzing future grid needs, technology adoption, and solution options to support long-term planning decisions.	KEY QUESTIONS ADDRESSED	**What detailed engineering solution addresses the identified need?** Uses engineering analysis to develop, validate, and implement traditional solutions for identified grid needs.
Evaluates traditional and non-traditional solutions. Assesses cost effectiveness, resilience, and other customer benefits. Stakeholder engagement informs planning process and solutions.	SOLUTION APPROACH	**Primarily develops and implements traditional engineering and operational solutions to maintain system reliability and performance.**
System-wide grid needs. Planning horizon of approximately 1-10 years. Focus on nontraditional solution evaluations.	PLANNING PERSPECTIVE	**Distribution study area perspective. Focuses on defined geographic areas served by one or more substations, addressing near-term needs (1-5 years) with traditional grid solutions.**
Distribution System Plan, DSP Map, pilot evaluations, technology and new use case recommendations.	KEY DELIVERABLES	**Distribution study reports, system impact studies, switching plans, project development packages, traditional grid solutions, and corrective actions for power quality, outage, and voltage issues.**

Meeting Discussion:

- Tim Lynch, Multnomah County Office of Sustainability, emphasized the importance of viewing the proposed benefits through a customer lens. He encouraged Ms. Thomas to consider the questions customers may have, the issues they care about most, and how the proposed benefits will help address their needs and priorities.
    - Ms. Thomas explained that field engineers primarily work behind the scenes and do not typically engage directly with customers, instead partnering closely with Regional Business Managers. She noted that the Distributed Solutions Program (DSP) team takes a more customer-focused approach, with an emphasis on innovation and customer engagement.
        - Mr. Lynch clarified that his initial question less about direct customer interactions and more about the utility's overall readiness to administer increasingly complex programs. He encouraged the team to consider how incremental changes can collectively shape PacifiCorp's approach to program delivery, as well as how the utility is preparing to respond to growing community interest and demand for engagement in these projects. An example of this would be plugin in solar.
            - Ms. Thomas offered to connect further with Mr. Lynch offline.

Over the past three years, PacifiCorp has completed four study reports and hosted six local workshops as part of its non-traditional solutions planning efforts. In 2023, studies in the Prineville and Upper Rogue areas identified two grid needs eligible for non-traditional solutions, supported by four local workshops. In 2024, PacifiCorp completed additional studies in Pendleton and Enterprise and hosted two workshops; however, no grid needs were identified as candidates for non-traditional solutions. Workshop discussions focused on distribution system planning methods, emerging tools and technologies, load growth, electric vehicle adoption, distributed energy resource forecasting, community interests, and potential challenges and opportunities associated with non-traditional solutions.

Last year, the DSP approach shifted from location-based studies to area and grid need planning. This approach also internally developed analytical tools and dedicated significant efforts to preparing the DSP filing. Alternatively, the team hosted a statewide workshop on the DSP filing. From this transition in approach, the DSP group has a better understanding of communities' challenges and opportunities, a completed 2026 DSP filing, and a new internal toolkit to use in the future.

Study and workshop findings from the Prineville area indicated that multiple transformers and feeders are expected to exceed their nameplate capacity by 2032, resulting in an estimated 3.8 MVA capacity need. At the time of the analysis, a traditional infrastructure solution was estimated to cost $3 million, or about $100 per kVA.

Similarly, a study and workshop findings from the Upper Rogue area indicated that multiple transformers and feeders are also expected to exceed their nameplate capacity by 2032, resulting in an estimated 1.7 MVA capacity need. At the time of the analysis, a traditional infrastructure solution was estimated to cost $1.5 million, or about $125 per kVA.

PacifiCorp evaluated a non-traditional solution centered on a load management program in partnership with Energy Trust of Oregon for Prineville. However, even under a best-case scenario, the program was projected to reduce only 1.5 MVA of load in the Prineville area at an estimated cost of $25 million, or approximately $16,500 per kVA.

Based on the cost-effectiveness analysis and anticipated load reduction potential, PacifiCorp determined that non-traditional solutions were not a viable alternative and does not plan to pursue them in the Prineville and Upper Rogue areas at this time.

These findings prompted the DSP team to take a closer look at historical field engineering studies. Between 2010 and 2025, approximately 80% of identified grid needs required action within two years of being identified. This presents a significant challenge for deploying non-traditional solutions, as rapidly evolving grid needs often require near-term action, while pilot programs can take several years to design, test, and implement.

The analysis also highlighted the need for greater participation in existing customer programs before non-traditional solutions can be considered viable alternatives. Increasing customer adoption and engagement will be critical to expanding the effectiveness of these programs as tools for addressing future grid needs. Cost is also another hindrance as only 1.3% of grid needs found met the cost

requirements to be considered for non-traditional solutions, greater than $250,000. Two-thirds of grid needs are items that cost less than $10,000 with half of those needs costing under $1,000.

To address some of these findings, the DSP cycle has undergone a few changes including:

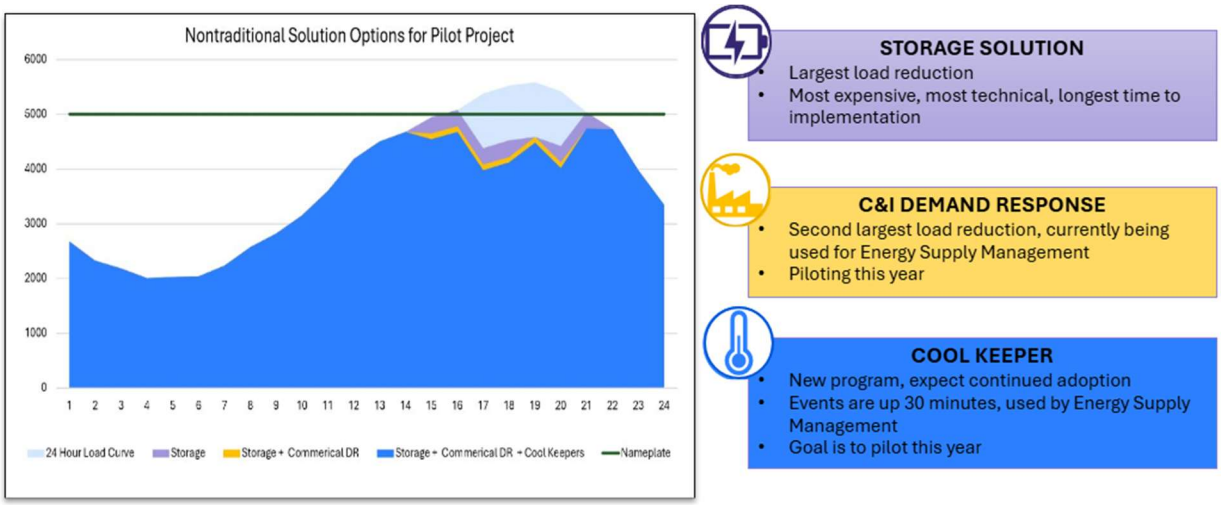
- Five-year planning horizon → Increase planning horizon to ten-years
- Grid needs identified in specific distribution study areas -localized → Initial focus on substation transformer constraints across the entire system – system wide
- Traditional and nontraditional solutions developed for all grid needs → Focus on identifying nontraditional solution opportunities for high-cost high-impact grid needs
- Studies start with distribution circuits → Studies begin with substation transformer needs – study begins with transformer and expands to circuits

Several processes remain the same, such as EV and DER forecasting, circuit analysis in collaboration with field engineers, planning standards and methodologies, and community engagement.

Meeting Discussion:

- Karen Chase, Energy Trust of Oregon, asked how project updates and findings from the Prineville and Upper Rogue studies were shared with stakeholders. She noted that the Energy Trust of Oregon participated in the projects and had not heard any further information regarding their outcomes since their involvement.
    - Ms. Thomas noted that this information can be found in the 2026 DSP filing. Those needs were met, just with traditional solutions. For example, Prineville opted for a traditional solution of a new transformer.

The graphic below identifies nontraditional solution options for pilot projects with storage solution shown in purple, C&I demand response in yellow, and Cool Keeper in blue.

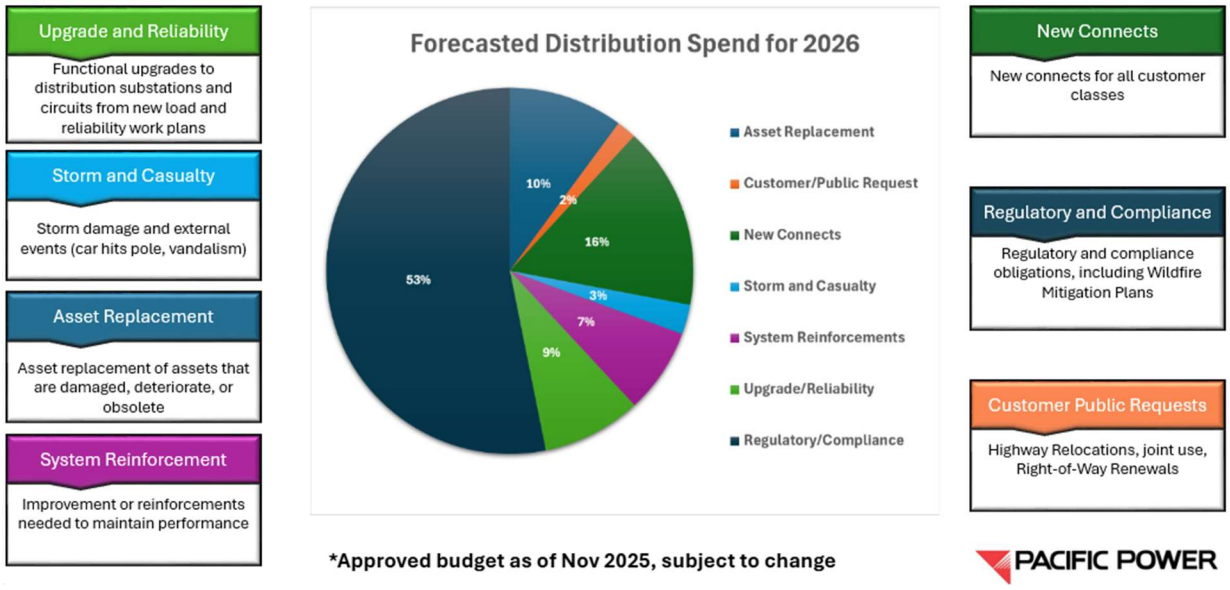


Currently, the DSP team is focused on strengthening local engagement by prioritizing areas with viable non-traditional solution opportunities, conducting targeted one-on-one workshops with customers who could contribute to those solutions, and continuing broader community workshops. The team is also collaborating with subject matter experts (SMEs) from the Community Benefits and Impacts Advisory

Group (CBIAG) on resilience metrics, Clean Energy Plan (CEP) stakeholders on distribution system planning to advance clean energy goals, and Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) stakeholders on distribution system planning and cost-effective solutions.

In addition, PacifiCorp has enhanced its Distribution System Planning website to improve stakeholder access to information. The site now includes previous filings, workshop recordings, presentations, contact information for the DSP mailbox, and details on upcoming meetings. The website also links to the DSP map, which provides data on distributed generation, reliability, high fire-risk areas, and low-income energy affordability indicators.

The graphic below details the near-term action plan and forecasted distribution spend budget for 2026, which was approved in November 2025.



Break

PacifiCorp Oregon Wildfire Season Updates

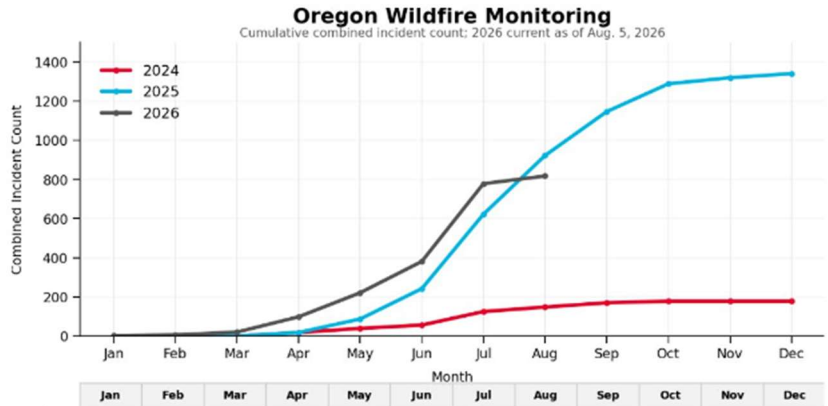
Brandon Capps, Wildfire Mitigation Program Manager, continued the discussion with the advisory group by providing updates on current wildfire risks and mitigation efforts. He also reviewed key components of PacifiCorp's Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP) and outlined how advisory group members can expect to engage with and provide input on the plan moving forward. Wildfire remains one of Oregon's most significant climate-related risks, making wildfire mitigation fundamental to climate resilience. Through ongoing outreach and engagement, PacifiCorp helps communities anticipate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from wildfire threats. To further reduce risk and improve system resiliency, the company continues to invest in system hardening, vegetation management, situational awareness technologies, and operational practices designed to protect customers, communities, and critical infrastructure.

House Bill 3409 (2023) defines climate resilience as "the capability to anticipate, prepare for, respond to and recover from significant climate-related threats while minimizing damage to social wellbeing, the economy and ecosystem functions."

In June 2025, PacifiCorp launched its Wildfire Intelligence Center, a dedicated team of meteorologists, wildfire and emergency response managers, and other subject matter experts who monitor real-time wildfire conditions across the service territory. The center leverages internal expertise, advanced monitoring tools, and industry best practices, including insights from other investor-owned utilities, to enhance situational awareness and support operational decision-making.

In 2025, the Wildfire Intelligence Center monitored approximately 1,000 additional wildfire incidents, shown in the graphic below, contributing to a 38% reduction in emergency de-energization events and helping minimize impacts to both customers and utility operations through improved situational awareness.

Building on these efforts, PacifiCorp established a dedicated Situation Unit within its Emergency Coordination Center (ECC) in 2026 to further strengthen incident monitoring and response capabilities. The company noted that wildfire risk is driven by environmental conditions rather than fixed seasonal dates, requiring year-round incident monitoring, preparedness activities, and coordination with external partners.



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2024	0	0	0	18	39	56	125	148	170	178	178	178
2025	0	0	0	18	87	242	622	922	1,146	1,288	1,319	1,340
2026	2	6	20	98	221	381	778	817				

Enhanced safety settings are an operational practice that has caused confusion amongst stakeholders, due to confusion with Public Safety Power Shutoffs. Enhanced Safety Settings are an event-driven operational practice designed to reduce the chance of ignition from utility infrastructure by making equipment more sensitive during heightened fire conditions.

The table below displays the 2025 vs 2026 enhanced safety settings metrics, using Customer Minutes Interrupted (CMI), Customers Interrupted (CI), System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI), System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIF), and Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI). Across the service area, there have been significant reductions in Enhanced Safety Settings outages.

	CMI	CI	Oregon SAIDI	Oregon SAIFI	Oregon CAIDI
2026 YTD Oregon Enhanced Safety Settings Performance	21,711,730	187,144	32.9	0.3	116
2025 YTD Oregon Enhanced Safety Settings Performance	37,519,605	461,374	58.1	0.7	81

For Enhanced Safety Shutoffs (ESS), PacifiCorp typically provides written notifications at the start of wildfire season to customers located on circuits identified as having elevated wildfire risk. If advance written notice is not possible, or if a customer does not receive it, PacifiCorp uses the customer's preferred communication method, such as email, text message, or phone call, to provide updates and outage notifications. By maintaining multiple communication channels, the company aims to ensure customers receive timely information before, during, and after an ESS event.

De-energizations are an operational practice that begins by monitoring electrical infrastructure in the event of an active wildfire within 10 miles of company equipment. When conditions indicate a potential emergency de-energization event, PacifiCorp proactively notifies affected customers using their preferred communication channels, including text messages, phone calls, and email. In addition to broad customer communications, PacifiCorp engages key customer accounts through Regional Business Managers assigned to each county. The company also coordinates with public safety partners and other key stakeholders to share information and ensure communities remain informed of significant developments before, during, and after an event. Customers are encouraged to visit pacificpower.net/outages for real-time outage updates which provides an estimated time of service renewal.

The table below displays the 2025 vs 2026 emergency de-energization metrics, using Customer Minutes Interrupted (CMI), Customers Interrupted (CI), System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI), System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIF), and Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI).

	CMI	CI	Oregon SAIDI	Oregon SAIFI	Oregon CAIDI
2026 YTD Oregon Emergency De-Energization Performance	5,716,366	33,843	8.7	0.05	169
2025 YTD Oregon Emergency De-Energization Performance	4,227,564	6,799	6.6	0.01	622

The 2027 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP), which is scheduled to be filed on December 31, 2027, will provide an annual update on PacifiCorp's wildfire mitigation activities rather than a complete rewrite of the multi-year WMP. The filing will include progress updates on current-year programs, changes to future targets and costs and the rationale behind those changes, new initiatives and their supporting business cases, updates to wildfire risk models, and actions being taken to drive continuous improvement.

In response to concerns raised by stakeholders and regulators regarding affordability and cost management, PacifiCorp is also placing greater emphasis on distinguishing wildfire-related expenditures from non-wildfire spending. This approach is intended to improve transparency around investments,

substantiate program costs, and help ensure spending remains aligned with budget targets while balancing risk reduction, affordability, and cost containment objectives.

Meeting Discussion:
Advisors were asked to participate in an activity to bring the CBIAG voice into wildfire mitigation planning by answering the question: *Looking ahead, what three words (e.g., topics, ideas, or priorities) should PacifiCorp keep in mind to shape future work and Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP) Filings?*
Responses included:

- Decentralization
- Communication, Responsiveness, Resilience
- Affordability, Safety, Reliability
- Rural specific strategies
- Communication, Cost, Impact
- Cost, equity, resilience
- Not sure but no longer engaging with hyperscale data centers might help

To solicit further feedback, Mr. Capps outlined the following items and asked the group what their priorities are:

- Planned Outcomes
    - Access and Functional Needs toolkit
    - Wildfire webinar with ASL interpreters
    - Spanish-language wildfire webinar
    - Translation of materials into Spanish
    - Battery rebate program eligibility
- System-wide Outcomes
    - Wildfire mitigation work occurs in predominately rural areas
    - How risk is monetized
- Additional Topics
    - Risk modeling and how we think about consequence
    - How we estimate and measure effectiveness
    - How we choose and prioritize investments
    - End of year results (Plan outcomes, metrics, etc.)
    - Next year plans
    - Operational practices such as Enhanced Safety Settings and Emergency De-energizations
    - Customer outreach improvements

Public Comment

Morgan Westberry opened the floor for public comments and concluding thoughts asking *what was your biggest takeaway from today's conversation?*

- There were no closing thoughts nor public comments.

Next Steps

PacifiCorp's Christina Kruger closed the meeting by sharing the schedule for next month's CBIAG meetings and thanked the advisors for their participation.

The June CBIAG will be held on September 17, 2026, from 1:00 – 4:00pm online via ZOOM.
The June TNCBIAG will be held on September 18, 2026, from 9:00 – 11:00am online via ZOOM.

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