# West-Wide Governance Pathways Initiative

Monthly Stakeholder Meeting August 29, 2025

## **Agenda**

- Updated Nominating Committee Process document
- Draft Bylaws & Certificate of Incorporation
- RIF and RO Stakeholder Process Distinction
- Funding Update
- Next Steps



### **Nominating Committee (NC) Process - Update**

- In the next version of the document, changing the name of the document from "Nominating Committee Process" to "Board Selection Policy" to align with the draft Bylaws
- Addition of the following section to comply with Delaware law:

#### **Formation Board**

For compliance with Delaware law, the existing Board must be the acting entity to approve new Board members. Because the Formation Board will be serving in this role, the Formation Board shall approve the Initial RO Board selection and will give due consideration to the slate approved by the Launch Committee.





#### **Certificate of Incorporation**

- Regional Organization for Western Energy, Inc. (ROWE)
- Delaware Non-stock Corporation qualifying as public benefit corporation under 501(c)(3)
- Broad, generic provisions provided by outside counsel not tailored for purpose



#### **Bylaws**

- Specifies broad purpose to accommodate initial market governance and additional future voluntary services
- Addresses range of public interest measures
- Points to additional policies (e.g., Open Meetings and Records) and future committees or bodies (e.g., Public Policy Committee of the Board)
- Aligns with Board Selection Policy



# Purpose: Independent Regional Governance Markets & Future Voluntary Services and Functions

The purpose of the Corporation is to provide independent regional governance over certain voluntary energy markets, services, and functions to be operated in the western United States, including, but not limited to the Western Energy Day-Ahead Market and the Western Energy Imbalance Market (collectively "Markets"), which it is authorized to provide from time to time pursuant to the Tariff and other applicable statutes, tariffs, rules, and regulations.



# Public Interest (Article IV) Respecting State Policies and Protecting Consumer Interests

#### **Step 2 Proposal Measures**

- Body of State Regulators role and funding
- Stakeholder Representatives Committee role
- New Public Policy Committee of the Board
- Consumer Advocate Organization funding
- Office of Public Participation function
- Expanded role of the Market Monitor
- Aim of reducing overall economic cost to customers in Participating States

#### **Respect for State Authority**

The Board shall consistently acknowledge and, where practicable, develop tariff changes, rules, or business practices that respect and accommodate Participating States' achievement of state or local policy objectives, including procurement, resource adequacy, environment, reliability, and other consumer interests. The Board likewise shall minimize any adverse impacts of revisions to its Tariff, rules, and business practices on Participating States' policy objectives.

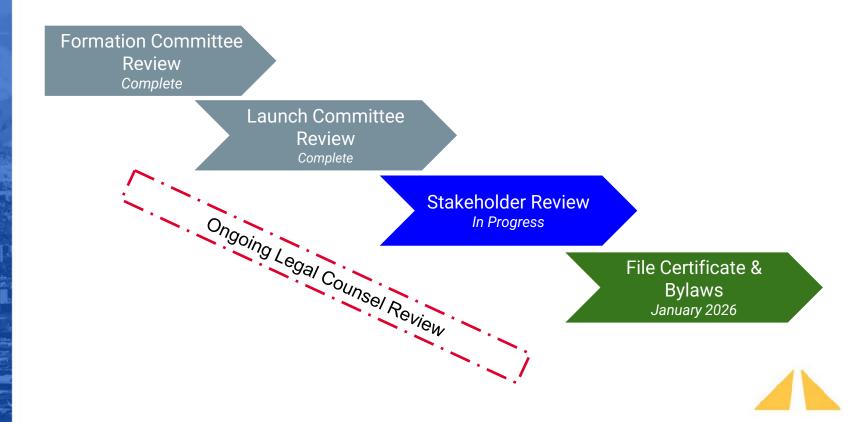


### Other Issues



### **Governance Documents - Status**

**Assumes Change in California Law** 





# Differentiating the CAISO & Pathways Stakeholder Processes

Launch Committee/RO Board Initiatives	CAISO Initiatives
Stakeholdering specific to Step 2 RO     Implementation and governance	<ul> <li>EIM/EDAM Policy Initiatives</li> <li>Associated Tariff changes to implement Step 2</li> <li>RIF Enhancements</li> </ul>

Timeline: now - RO launch (2028)





## **Funding Update**





## **Next Steps**

- Fundraising
- Bylaws & Articles of Incorporation Comment Period: August 29 - September 19
- Sector Development



## **Upcoming Opportunities for Engagement**

- Launch Committee will continue to host monthly stakeholder meetings
  - Next meeting: Friday, September 26 from 10:30-12:00PT/11:30-1:00MT/12:30-2:00CT
- All Pathways meeting information and materials are located on the WIEB landing page: <u>WWGPI - Western</u> <u>Interstate Energy Board</u>

# Thank you!

- The Launch Committee can continue to be reached via pathways@westwidepathwaysinitiative.org
- All comments can be directed to <u>comments@westwidepathwaysinitiative.org</u>
- Pathways Initiative information continues to be hosted on the WIEB website at www.westernenergyboard.org/wwgpi

