



# 2017 Public Policy Transmission Upgrade Process

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# Purpose

- To review the steps which have been taken in the 2017 Public Policy Transmission Upgrade (PPTU) process
- To provide the ISO's determination regarding the need to proceed with a Public Policy Transmission Study (PPTS)



# Completed Tasks

- The ISO created a repository on it's external website for materials related to Public Policy Transmission Upgrades
  - <https://www.iso-ne.com/system-planning/system-plans-studies/public-policy-transmission-upgrades>
- ISO New England initiated the PPTU process beginning January 11, 2017 with a Public Notice requesting input on state, federal and local Public Policy Requirements (PPR) that drive transmission needs
  - [https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/01/a10\\_2017\\_public\\_policy\\_transmission\\_upgrde\\_process\\_announcement.pdf](https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/01/a10_2017_public_policy_transmission_upgrde_process_announcement.pdf)
  - ISO provided a template to facilitate PPR submittal
    - [https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/01/a10\\_public\\_policy\\_input\\_template.xlsx](https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/01/a10_public_policy_input_template.xlsx)
- Stakeholders provided presentations regarding their input at the February 23, 2017 PAC meeting
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  - [https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/02/a6\\_clf\\_public\\_policy\\_presentation.pdf](https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/02/a6_clf_public_policy_presentation.pdf)
  - [https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/02/a6\\_avangrid\\_public\\_policy\\_presentation.pdf](https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/02/a6_avangrid_public_policy_presentation.pdf)



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- Stakeholder submittals regarding Public Policy Requirements (PPR) were posted on March 1, 2017
  - AVANGRID – state
  - CLF – state
  - National Grid – federal
  - NextEra Energy Transmission - state
  - TDI New England – none
  - [https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/03/2017\\_public\\_policy\\_requirements\\_stakeholder\\_submittals\\_combined.pdf](https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/03/2017_public_policy_requirements_stakeholder_submittals_combined.pdf)
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# Completed Tasks

- On March 10, 2017, FERC accepted the ISO's proposed revisions to the PPTU process, which included modifications to the timeline described in Attachment K to the ISO New England Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT)
  - NESCOE communication date changed from April 1 to May 1
  - ISO scope of PPTS changed from June 1 to September 1
  - [http://elibrary.FERC.gov/idmws/file\\_list.asp?accession\\_num=20170310-3033](http://elibrary.FERC.gov/idmws/file_list.asp?accession_num=20170310-3033)
- On May 1, 2017, NESCOE provided a submission to the ISO regrading transmission needs driven by state and federal Public Policy Requirements
  - [https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/05/nescOE\\_submission\\_public\\_policy\\_transmission\\_upgrades.pdf](https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2017/05/nescOE_submission_public_policy_transmission_upgrades.pdf)



# ISO's Review of NESCOE's Submittal

- Federal PPRs
  - The ISO agrees with NESCOE's position that the Presidential Permit referenced in National Grid's submittal does not constitute a PPR
  - The ISO agrees with NESCOE's position that the referenced requirement is addressed by operational studies and does not create a need for new transmission
  - The ISO's conclusion is that a PPTS is not needed for federal PPRs
- State PPRs
  - As described in Sections 4A.1 and 4A.1.1 of the OATT, the ISO determines state PPRs that drive transmission only in the case where NESCOE does not provide a submittal regarding state PPRs that drive transmission
  - The ISO has reviewed NESCOE's submittal and found that the states have determined and provided supporting explanations that at this time there are no state PPRs that drive transmission which the ISO should study in a PPTS
  - The ISO's conclusion is that a PPTS is not needed for state PPRs

# Local PPRs

- Local PPRs
  - Stakeholders did not identify any local PPRs
  - The ISO is not aware of any PPRs that drive the need for transmission
  - The ISO's conclusion is that a PPTS is not needed for local PPRs
- Summary
  - For 2017, a PPTS will not be conducted



# Questions

