

## Guiding Principle 14 Update

October 25, 2023

## **GP14: Resource Planning**





Tacoma Public Utilities' highest priority is providing safe and reliable power, water, and rail services that meet or exceed customer needs over the long term (20 to 60 years).

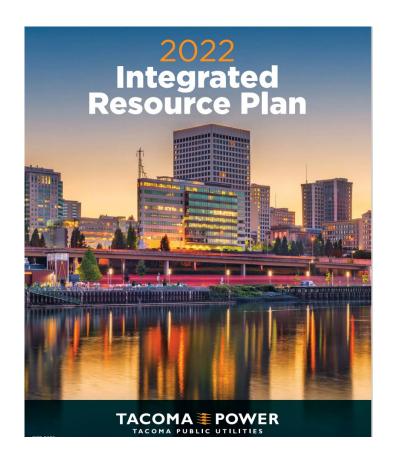


## Power Resource Planning

## Power Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)



- Two-year cadence, per state law (RCW 19.280)
  - Full update every 4 years
    - Smaller update every 2 years
  - Last IRP completed August 2022
  - Work under way for 2024 IRP (full update)
- 20-year outlook
- Public input process accompanies each IRP



## **Key recommendations from 2022 IRP**



Continue to acquire conservation target identified in Conservation Potential Assessment

• On track to meet biennium target

Continue to develop capability to acquire Demand Response (DR)

• In progress. Residential water heater DR pilot well under way and working to pilot industrial DR opportunities.

Make final decision on joining Western Resource Adequacy Program (WRAP)

• **Complete.** Committed to participate in WRAP binding program in late 2023.

Conduct further work to settle on a solid approach to incorporating climate change into modeling

• **Complete.** Climate change trends will be incorporated into core IRP model runs in 2024.

Conduct more comprehensive analysis on potential impacts of electrification

• In progress. Rigorous study of impacts will be complete by Dec 2023 and presented at Study Session Jan 10.

## **Key questions for 2024**



- 1 Which BPA product will best meet customer needs in the next contract period?
  - How might electrification of vehicles, buildings and industry affect future resource needs?
    - 3 How might industrial load growth affect our future resource needs?
    - 4 How will climate change affect our future resource needs?
  - What additional resources might we need to meet customer demand?
- What changes to our hydropower capacity might we pursue in our next set of FERC licenses?

# Tentative schedule of Study Session check-ins for 2024 IRP



#### Jan 2024

• Electrification study results

Public stakeholder meeting # 1 (Jan)

#### **April 2024**

- Review IRP basics
- Preliminary look at our resource position

#### June 2024

Review preliminary findings & recommendations

Public stakeholder meeting #4 (Jun)

#### **July 2024**

- Review updated findings
- Seek PUB approval of IRP (PUB Meeting)

#### Aug 2024

 Submit IRP to Department of Commerce

Public stakeholder meeting # 2 (Mar)

Public stakeholder meeting #3 (May)



## Water Resource Planning

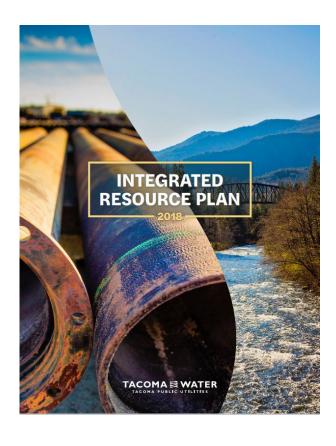
#### Water Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)



- Not required by law, update our IRP every 6 years
  - Last IRP completed in 2018
  - Work is underway for 2024 IRP (Final at end of Q2)
  - 60-year Outlook

#### **Public Engagement**

- Stand-up Public Advisory Committee in November of 2023
- Solicit informed perspectives on a number of topics including groundwater, lower future demands, and climate change
- Increase awareness of current and future management strategies
- Develop key relationships for ongoing public engagement



## Working-on from previous IRP



Additional Water Supply Project (AWSP) Phase 1 (Howard Hanson Fish Passage)

• On track. Long-range goal of being on-line in 2031.

Partnering with Corps on Forecast iNformed Reservoir Operations (FIRO)

• In progress. Deploying Weather Monitoring equipment.

Exploring use of groundwater for current and future demands

• In progress. Many changes due to PFAS, and demand changes such as loss of WestRock.

Improving and developing new tools from the Yield model

• In progress. Presentation tools for both short-term and long-term modeling being created and refreshed.

Continuing to work towards
Conservation Goal established in
2018 IRP

• On track. 10 year goal.

## **Key Objectives for 2024 IRP**



- 1 Update Climate change information in model
  - <sup>2</sup> Fold-in new Tacoma Water Demand forecast
    - Emphasis on groundwater, including PFAS
    - 4 Incorporate loss of WestRock demand into plans
  - 5 Modify Wells Master Plan
- 6 Changes to Presentation of results



### Tentative schedule for 2024 IRP

#### Oct 2023

• Begin work

## Fall 2023 into early 2024

- Groundwater evaluation
  - Quantity
  - PFAS

#### February 2024

- Updating of Climate Change portion of Yield model
- Check-in with Utility Board

#### May 2024

- Draft report
- Check-in with Utility Board

#### **June 2024**

• Final IRP

Public stakeholder meeting times TBD



## Rail Resource Planning

### **Areas of focus for Rail**



#### **Locomotive Assets**

- Ongoing efforts toward fleet rationalization and modernization:
- Total of thirteen locomotives in active service down four in 2023
  - 8 Non-regulated / 2 with Positive Train Control (PTC)
  - 2 EPA Tier-0
  - 2 EPA Tier-2 / Equipping 1 with PTC equipment in 2023 and 1 in 2024
  - 1 Tier-3

- Average age of current locomotive fleet is 31-years
- Three are less than 10-years old

### **Areas of Focus for Rail**



Battery-Electric Locomotive Project: Funding awarded \$12,740,000 Funding Partnerships:

- Puget Sound Clean Air Agency as Co-applicant for Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) funding.
  - >\$3,645,000 awarded
- U.S. DOT Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvement (CRISI) program.
  - >\$4,095,000 awarded
- Washington State appropriation from Carbon Emissions Reduction Account.
  - >\$5,000,000 awarded
- Tacoma Rail to cover costs if they exceed the partnership funding.

### **Areas of Focus for Rail**



#### Oil Spill Contingency Plan

- 5-year renewal submitted on October 4, 2023
- Planning standards incident recovery meet state and federal requirements

### Ongoing activities

- Operating protocols
- Track inspection and maintenance protocols

### South Intermodal Yard (SIM)

- Current lease with the Port set to expire in 2025
- Interested parties:
  - ➤ Port of Tacoma, Class I railroads, SSA Marine, and ILWU Local 23 (Longshore Labor)