Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Update

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About Today's Meeting

A recording of this presentation and copy of these slides will be available on the TVA IRP website: <u>www.tva.gov/IRP</u>.

To view prior IRP Public Webinar recordings and materials, please visit the TVA IRP website, Public Meetings page; previous webinar topics have included:

- Public Scoping
- IRP Process Overview
- Scenarios and Strategies (original five scenarios and five strategies)
- Scenario Updates and Resource Assumptions
- Draft IRP Rollout

There will be an opportunity for questions at the end of the presentation using the Q&A functionality of the Teams webinar.



IRP Public Webinar Agenda

IRP Process and Schedule Update

IRP Stakeholder Engagement

Final Modeling Updates

Preliminary IRP Recommendations

Q&A



IRP Process Update

Candy Kelly; Sr. Manager, Resource Strategy



2025 Integrated Resource Plan

The IRP is a study of how TVA could meet customer demand for electricity between now and 2050 across a variety of futures.

A programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) accompanies the IRP to evaluate its environmental effects.

An updated IRP is needed to:

- Proactively establish a strong planning foundation for the 2030s and beyond
- Inform TVA's next long-range financial plan

The IRP provides strategic direction on how TVA will continue to provide low-cost, reliable, and increasingly cleaner electricity to the residents and businesses across the Valley region.





Planning is Grounded in Least-cost Principles

In resource planning, TVA applies fundamental least-cost planning principles*:



*In alignment with the Energy Policy Act of 1992



How the Integrated Resource Planning Process Works



Stakeholder feedback is a key component in the development of all model inputs.



Resource Planning for Future Capacity Needs

Recommended path provides low cost, reliability, diversity, and flexibility.

Resource planning is about optimizing the mix of future capacity.

Projections of new capacity needed are filled by the most cost-effective resources.

Multiple scenarios will be explored, reflecting different levels of forecasted demand.

Multiple strategies will be explored, resulting in different resource mixes to evaluate in each scenario.

Illustrative Capacity Gap Chart





IRP Scenarios and Strategies

SCENARIOS



Reference (without Greenhouse Gas Rule)

Represents TVA's current forecast that reflects moderate population, employment, and industrial growth, weather-normal trends, growing electric vehicle use, and increasing efficiencies



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Higher Growth Economy

Reflects a technology-driven increase in U.S. productivity growth that stimulates the national and regional economies, resulting in substantially higher demand for electricity

Stagnant Economy

Reflects rising debt and inflation that stifle consumer demand and business investment, resulting in weaker than expected economic growth and essentially flat electricity demand

Net-zero Regulation

Reflects the impact of the May 2023 draft Greenhouse Gas Rule that targets significant reductions in electric utility CO_2 emissions beginning in 2030 and potential future utility regulations striving for net-zero by 2050

Net-zero Regulation Plus Growth

Reflects the impact of the May 2023 draft Greenhouse Gas Rule and potential future utility regulations, along with substantial advancements in clean energy technologies, that spur economic growth and extensive electrification

Reference (with Greenhouse Gas Rule)

Reflects TVA's current forecast and incorporates the impact of the Greenhouse Gas Rule finalized in May 2024 that targets significant reductions in electric utility CO_2 emissions beginning in 2030

STRATEGIES



Baseline Utility Planning

Represents TVA's current outlook based on least-cost planning, incorporating existing programs and a planning reserve margin target. This reserve margin target applies in all strategies



Carbon-free Innovation Focus

Emphasizes and promotes emerging, firm and dispatchable carbon-free technologies through innovation, continued research and development, and strategic partnerships



Carbon-free Commercial Ready Focus

Emphasizes proven carbon-free technologies like wind, solar, and storage, at both utility-scale and through customer partnerships, along with strategic transmission investment

Distributed and Demand-side Focus



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Emphasizes existing and potentially expanded customer partnerships and programmatic solutions to reduce reliance on central station generation and promote virtual power plants

Resiliency Focus

Emphasizes smaller units and the promotion of storage, along with strategic transmission investment, to drive wider geographic resource distribution and additional resiliency across the system



IRP Timeline



*Opportunity for public feedback during 45-day scoping and 75-day draft IRP and EIS public comment periods.



IRP Stakeholder Engagement

Kelly Baxter; IRP NEPA Project Manager



Stakeholder and Public Involvement





2025 IRP Public Open Houses



Public comment period began on September 23, 2024, and ended on December 11, 2024



Draft 2025 IRP Public Comments Received

Almost 2,500 total comments were submitted on the Draft IRP and EIS

- In total, about 1,900 email and online submittals containing "form" letters most are pro-renewables and urge TVA toward decarbonization (76 percent)
- Non-form submittals account for about 600 comments (24 percent)
 - Over 500 were submitted through the online portal and about 70 emails and letters were submitted

Key comment themes:

- Support for more clean energy generation; calls for decarbonization
- For/against certain resource technologies (e.g., nuclear, gas, coal, renewables)
- Economic benefits or costs of programs; ratepayer focus; rebates or incentives
- Power infrastructure reliability, decentralization, use existing infrastructure, storage, and concerns about high demand data centers
- Environmental resources concerns about climate change, extreme weather, the environment, wildlife, and pollution



Final Modeling Updates

Hunter Reed; IRP Project Manager



Analysis Tools within the IRP





IRP Utilizes a Rigorous Analytical Process





Stakeholder feedback and public comments informed the development of scenarios and strategies that combine to form 30 unique, core portfolios.





Draft IRP Results Suggest by 2035...



In all scenarios, TVA will continue to provide AFFORDABLE, RELIABLE, RESILIENT, and increasingly CLEANER energy for the region for decades to come.



Power supply mix ranges, summarized in gigawatts (GW), vary based on energy demand, market conditions, policy and regulations, and technology advancements.



The Purpose of Sensitivity Analysis

Sensitivity analyses are performed to help answer questions meriting further evaluation ("What if...?").

Suggested sensitivities can come from TVA Staff, IRP Working Group stakeholders, or public comments.

Sensitivity analyses are run as variations from a core portfolio, typically the Reference case scenarios with Baseline Utility Planning strategy, to isolate the impact of a change in one key assumption.

Sensitivities will be included in the Final IRP and considered, along with the balance of portfolio results and the EIS, when developing the IRP recommendations.



Final IRP Sensitivity List by Focus Area

Net-zero Trajectories

- TVA net-zero by 2050 (+2A)
- Accelerated TVA net-zero (faster than 2050)

Regulatory Environment

- Regulations on existing gas plants (6A)
- Regional gas build constraints
- Coal/gas cofiring option (6A)
- Extended coal operation (1A)

Variation in Climate

- More extreme weather trends
- Increasing winter risk

Electricity Demand Changes

- Rapid near-term industrial growth
- Optimized EV charging (+5A)

Resource Costs and Availability

- Higher/lower clean energy resource costs
- Higher gas resource costs
- Increased solar and storage market depth
- Increased EE market depth

Natural Gas Commodity Prices

- Higher/lower natural gas prices

Each sensitivity was run off Reference cases (1A and 6A) unless noted



Sensitivities Push the Boundaries of IRP Analysis...

Net-zero trajectory cases evaluate impacts of achieving net-zero carbon emissions without regulatory drivers.

Rapid near-term industrial growth case evaluates impacts of substantial growth in data centers and other electricity-intensive industries in the near term.







Sensitivities Push the Boundaries of IRP Analysis...

Higher and lower clean energy resource cost cases explore the impacts of higher or lower costs for solar, storage, and wind resources driven by market factors or tax credit availability.



Higher and lower natural gas price cases explore the impacts of higher or lower long-term trajectories for natural gas fuel.



Natural Gas Commodity Price Forecast



Sensitivity Results Summary

In general, sensitivity results fall within the boundaries of the 30 core portfolios presented in the draft IRP.

Scenario 5 (Net-zero Regulation plus Growth) typically sets the high end of clean energy resource additions, providing broad coverage including the additions seen in the net-zero carbon aspiration sensitivities.

A few sensitivities expanded the bounds of the final IRP results by 2035:

- Extended coal operations
- Coal/gas cofiring option
- Increased energy efficiency market depth



Preliminary IRP Recommendations

Hunter Reed; IRP Project Manager



Purpose and Key Components

Purpose of the IRP recommendations:

- Board-approved guidance based on least-cost planning principles
- Guardrails for future resource additions over the next 10- to 20-plus years
- Planned actions over the next five to 10 years

Key components of 2025 IRP recommendations:

- 1. Power supply mix ranges by resource type (by 2035 and 2050)
- 2. Strategic portfolio direction through 2035
 - Recommended actions
 - Planned actions for existing and commercial ready resources
 - Planned actions to advance emerging technologies and to enhance integrated system planning
- 3. Key signposts and planning implications



Power Supply Mix Ranges (2035)



Range of MW¹ Additions and Reductions through 2035

¹Additions are shown in summer net dependable capacity, except for solar, wind, and storage that are shown in nameplate capacity.

²Coal additions represent potential to delay existing unit retirements and/or cofire with natural gas.

³CC, solar, and storage include utility-scale and distributed resource additions.

⁴CC additions could include CCS; CC and CT additions could include alternative fuel co-firing (e.g., hydrogen).

⁵The full amount of retirements and expirations, shown as baseline reductions, are present in all 30 core portfolios.



Power Supply Mix Ranges (2050)



Range of MW¹ Additions and Reductions through 2050

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Strategic Portfolio Direction – Recommended Actions





Key Signpost Themes

Based on the IRP analysis, this section will provide insights to the potential planning implications of movement in key signposts.



Changing Market

- Electricity demand
- Natural gas prices
- Customer expectations
- Solar and storage costs

Evolving Policy and Regulations



- Shifts in U.S. energy policy
- Policy and regulatory requirements
- Regulatory hurdles and challenges





- Advanced nuclear technologies
- Advanced storage technologies
- Carbon capture technologies

Ensuring Reliability as the System Evolves



- Impacts of changing market conditions
- Pace that new resources can be brought online to meet system needs
- Operating realities with growing mix of renewables and storage







Q&A Panelists

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Kelly Baxter, IRP NEPA Project Manager



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