

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ELECTRICAL COALITION

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The Electric Coalition held a Leadership meeting on October 13th. Agenda focused on reestablishing communications with PUC and ERCOT to resume improvement efforts underway prior to pandemic. PBPA Staff had a follow-up meeting with ERCOT in which PBPA requested an update of the following:

- Permian Basin Improvement Plan developed and presented by ERCOT in 2019
- List of Transmission Projects provided by ERCOT in 2020 which were to help serve Permian Basin
- Status of the BEG study conducted to verify previous IHS study of Permian electricity demand forecasts
- Updates from ERCOT concerning activities and areas of interest or concern

PBPA emphasized the desire for our membership to serve as a resource to ERCOT to advocate for electrical system improvements with the goal to relieve congestion concerns and to ensure that future electrical capacity needs are met. ERCOT tentatively agreed on having the next meeting in December.

On November 16th ERCOT provided specific responses to questions regarding how PBPA members can access project statuses, project completion updates and proposed improvement project information. ERCOT also provided guidance on how PBPA members can participate in the planning and review process through the Regional Planning Groups (RPGs).

The next Electrical Coalition meeting is scheduled for December 8th. Agenda will include specific updates and discussion regarding statuses of ERCOT Transmission improvement plans and information sharing regarding Gas Map relating to Critical Load designations.