



Submit comment on Draft Transmission Plan

2025-2026 Transmission planning process

1. Please provide your organization's comments on Reliability-driven Projects Recommended for Approval.

No comment.

2. Please provide your organization's comments on Policy-driven Projects Recommended for Approval.

As a result of CAISO's updated TPD allocation methodology, the proposed Trout Canyon-Lugo 500 kV transmission line will not provide any deliverability capacity needed to justify its cost of up to \$1.8B. (See April 15, 2026, Stakeholder Meeting Presentation at Slide 92.) To provide sufficient policy value, CAISO should augment this plan with upgrades that enable on-peak delivery into load centers.

Prior to the recent TPD methodology update, the Trout Canyon-Lugo upgrade would have provided deliverability capacity for thousands of megawatts of resources in CAISO's East-of-Pisgah area. However, CAISO's recent modifications to its TPD allocation study assumptions* will prevent any project in EOP from getting deliverability. To remedy this, CAISO should plan for additional upgrades from the Lugo substation to the Mesa substation, either directly or via Mira Loma or Vincent. Ideally, this should occur in the current TPP cycle. At a minimum, CAISO should indicate that the companion deliverability upgrades will be planned in the next cycle. Alternatively, the proposed upgrade could be held over and considered in the next cycle.

*The TPD allocation study is now based on the 2035 study year, which includes a very large load increase in the western SCE Metro study zone (LA Basin).

3. Please provide your organization's comments on the Economic Assessment.

No comment.

4. Please provide your organization's comments on Maximum Import Capability Expansion Requests.

No comment.

5. Please provide your organization's comments on Frequency Response.

No comment.

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6. Please provide your organization's additional comments on the Draft 2025-2026 Transmission Plan April 15, 2026 stakeholder call discussion.

No comment.