ISO Infrastructure Policy Catalog & Roadmap Update

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Stakeholder meeting
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Today's Agenda

Time	Topic	Presenter
1:00pm – 3:00pm	Welcome and introductions • 2026 Infrastructure policy catalog and roadmap schedule • 2027-2029 final infrastructure policy roadmap • 2027 process preview Next Steps	Yelena Kopylov-Alford Danielle Mills Yelena Kopylov-Alford

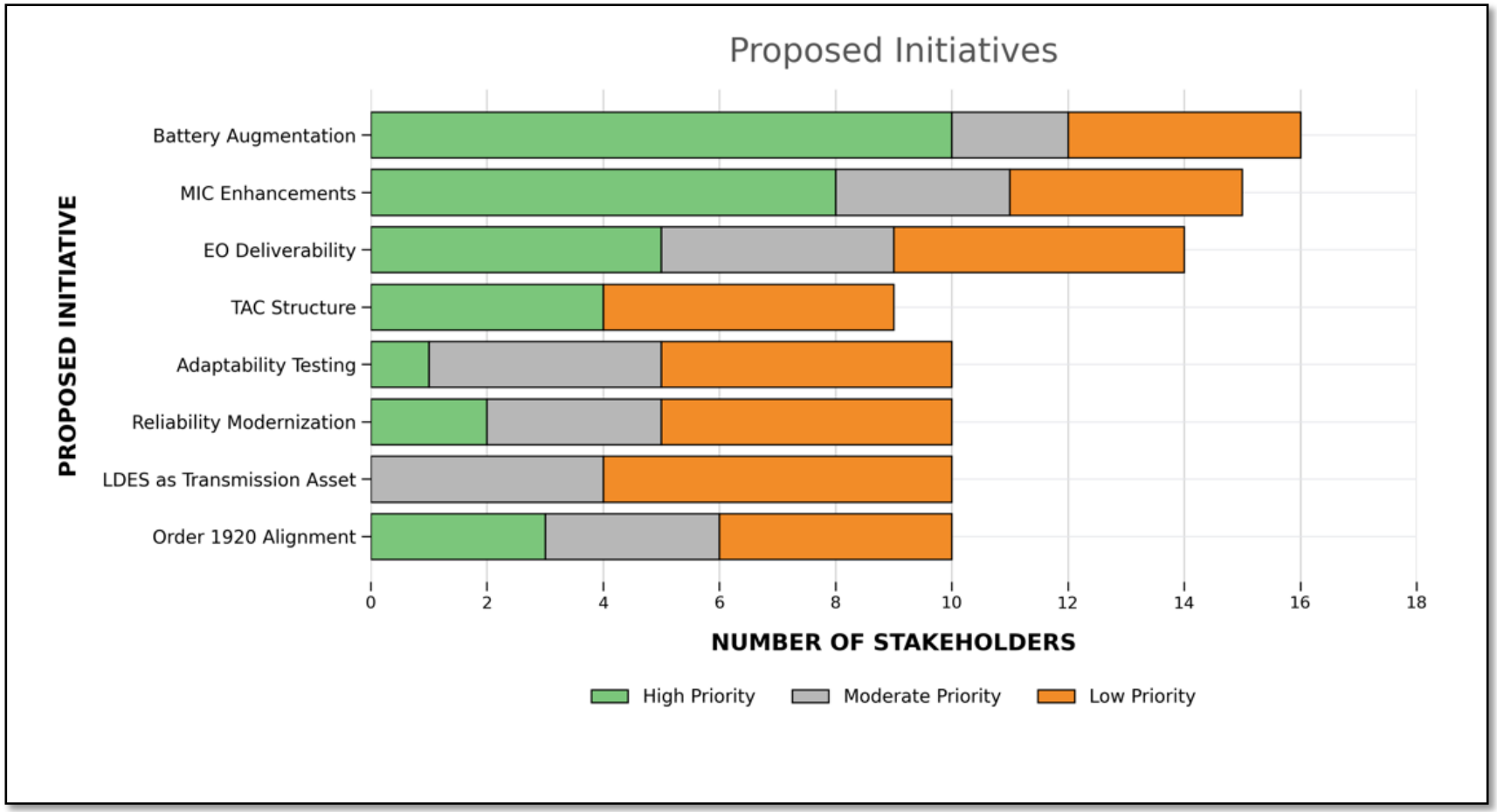
2026 Infrastructure Policy Catalog and Roadmap Schedule

Infrastructure Policy Catalog and Roadmap Process	
January	Kickoff stakeholder meeting
February	Stakeholders submissions to the infrastructure policy catalog
March	
April	Stakeholder workshop
May	Stakeholder comments
June	
July	Publish 2026 Infrastructure Policy Catalog
August	Begin 2027-2029 Infrastructure Policy Roadmap development
September	
October	Publish Draft Infrastructure Policy Roadmap
November	Stakeholder comment period
December	Publish Final Infrastructure Policy Roadmap

The ISO received 8 submissions for consideration in the 2026 Infrastructure Policy Catalog

Organization	Submission Title
Bay Area Municipal Transmission Group (BAMx), California Department of Water Resources, State Water Contractors (3 individual submissions)	Transmission Access Charge (TAC) Structure Enhancements
California Community Choice Association (CalCCA)	Energy-Only Resources Seeking Deliverability
EDF Renewables	Alignment of Interconnection and FERC Order No. 1920
GreenGen Storage	Long Duration Energy Storage (LDES) as a Transmission Asset
NextEra Energy Resources	Streamlined Augmentation of Operational Batteries
Sonoma Clean Power Organization (SCP)	Reliability Modernization Initiative – Align RA Program with Evolving Grid Needs
Sonoma Clean Power Organization (SCP)	Robust Adaptability Testing in CAISO Transmission Planning
The Joint Parties	Maximum Import Capability (MIC) Enhancements

Stakeholders rated relative priorities on policy submissions.



Stakeholder comments on Draft Infrastructure Policy Roadmap

- The ISO posted the Draft Infrastructure Policy Roadmap on October 8, 2026, and held a stakeholder workshop on October 15, 2026.
- Ten stakeholders submitted comments, which the ISO reviewed prior to finalizing the 2027-2029 Infrastructure Policy Roadmap.
  - Offered more detail on suggested topics for the scope of upcoming initiatives, including IPE 6.0 and Transmission Planning.
  - Requested clarity on ISO's decision-making process.
  - Indicated ISO staff and stakeholder bandwidth concerns, noting that the scope of the draft roadmap is ambitious.

ISO updates to the 2027-2029 Infrastructure Policy Roadmap

- Noted that the ISO intends to submit a supplemental filing to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), seeking an extension in the implementation timeline for the Long-Term Regional Transmission Planning component of FERC Order No. 1920.
  - Did not adjust the timeline because the ISO will continue to implement other components of Order No. 1920 as planned.
- Updated the timeline for implementation of the ISO's Large Loads Enhancements, based on the timeline in the ISO's Section 205 filing.

2027-2029 Final Infrastructure Policy Roadmap

November 24, 2026

Final 2027-2029 California ISO Infrastructure Policy Initiatives Roadmap														
		2026	2027				2028				2029			
		Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Transmission Planning and MOU Coordination														
	Order No. 1920 Implementation			**Implementation***										
	Transmission timeline completion	**Ongoing public dialogue**												
	MOU update	**Policy development**					**Implementation**							
Large Load Interconnection and Study														
	Large Loads Enhancements 205 filing	**Decision**	**Implementation**											
	Consideration of permanent flexible interconnection and proximate loads		**Policy development**			**Decision**	**Implementation**							
	Consideration of risk-mitigating curtailment		**Policy development**			**Decision**	**Implementation**							
Interconnection Process Enhancements														
	IPE 6.0 (Prior to Cluster 17)	**Policy development**		**Decision**	**Implementation**									
	IPE 7.0 (if needed)				**Policy development**			**Decision**	**Implementation**					
	IPE 8.0 (if needed)								**Policy development**			**Decision**	**Implementation**	
Resource Adequacy Modeling and Program Design														
	Track 5: MIC enhancements	**Policy development**			**Decision**	**Implementation**								
Consideration of reactive power from IBRs outside of specified range			**Public dialogue**				**Policy development**							

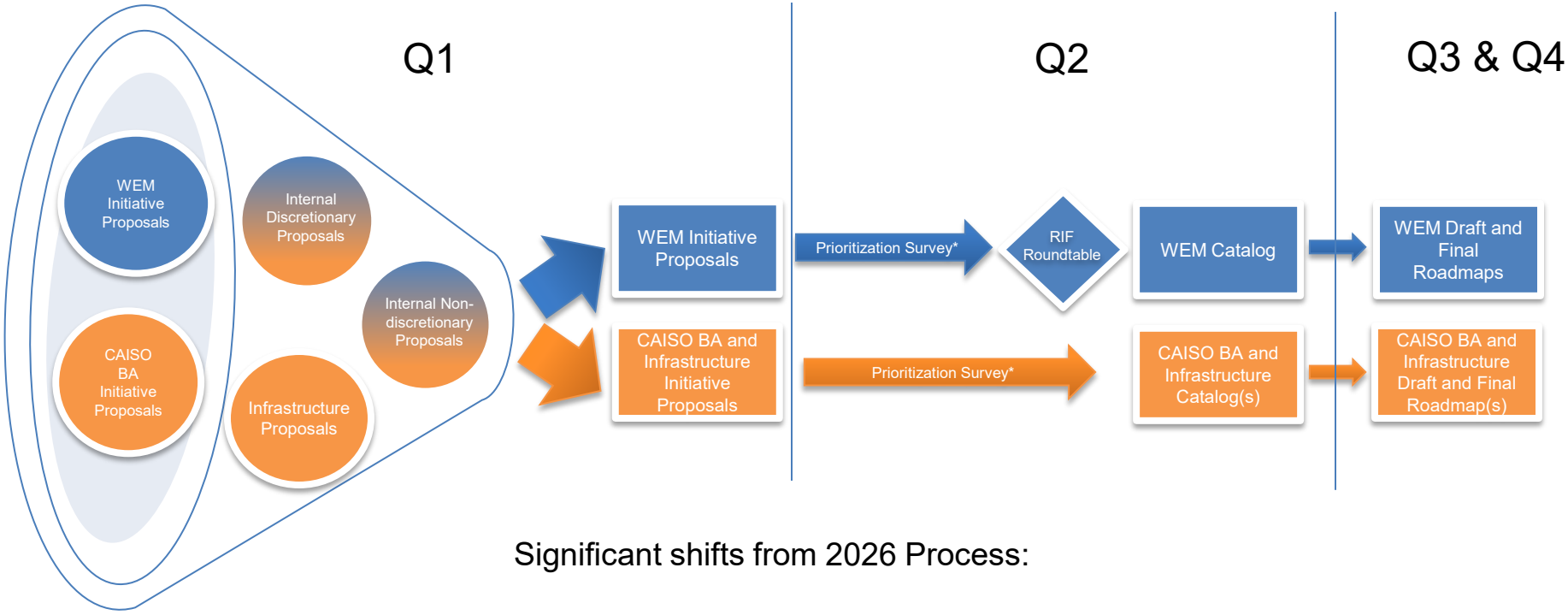
NOTE: All implementation dates listed are "no sooner than."

***The ISO plans to submit a supplemental filing seeking to delay implementation of the Long-Term Regional Transmission Planning process under FERC Order No. 1920.**

Dispositions of Stakeholder Submissions

Submission Title	Disposition
Streamlined Augmentation of Operational Batteries	**Assigned to an existing process.** This concept will be addressed in the initial scope of Interconnection Process Enhancements (IPE) 6.0.
Maximum Import Capability (MIC) Enhancements	**Included.** This will be the topic of Resource Adequacy Modeling and Program Design (RAMPD) Track 5.
Energy-Only Resources Seeking Deliverability	**Assigned to an existing process.** This concept will be addressed in the initial scope of IPE 6.0.
Transmission Access Charge (TAC) Structure Enhancements	**Declined.** The ISO believes that the current TAC structure is appropriate and a new initiative to consider TAC reform would draw limited resources away from critical work, without clear or consistent benefit to all consumers.
Robust Adaptability Testing in CAISO Transmission Planning	**Assigned to an existing process.** The robustness of the ISO's planning processes will be explored over the next several cycles of the Transmission Planning Process and as the ISO prepares to implement FERC Order No. 1920 on Long-Term Regional Transmission Planning.
Reliability Modernization Initiative – Align RA Program with Evolving Grid Needs	**Assigned to an existing process.** The ISO has been studying this concept in the 2026-2027 Transmission Planning Process.
Long Duration Energy Storage (LDES) as a Transmission Asset	**Declined.** This topic carries significant policy complexity and would require significant resources from ISO staff and stakeholders.
Alignment of Interconnection and FERC Order No. 1920	**Assigned to an existing process.** This is an ongoing focus at the ISO and will be considered in the 2027 MOU update, Order No. 1920 implementation, and future IPE initiatives.

Proposed 2027 roadmap process



Significant shifts from 2026 Process:

- Single intake for all submittals
- A separate roadmap for Western Energy Markets initiatives
- ISO Balancing Area and infrastructure initiatives potentially in a single catalog and roadmap

*Prioritization surveys do not include non-discretionary initiative proposals.

Next Steps

- Additional information on this process is available on the CAISO website at: https://stakeholdercenter.caiso.com/RecurringStakeholderProcesses/2026-Infrastructure-policy-catalog-and-roadmap-process

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