

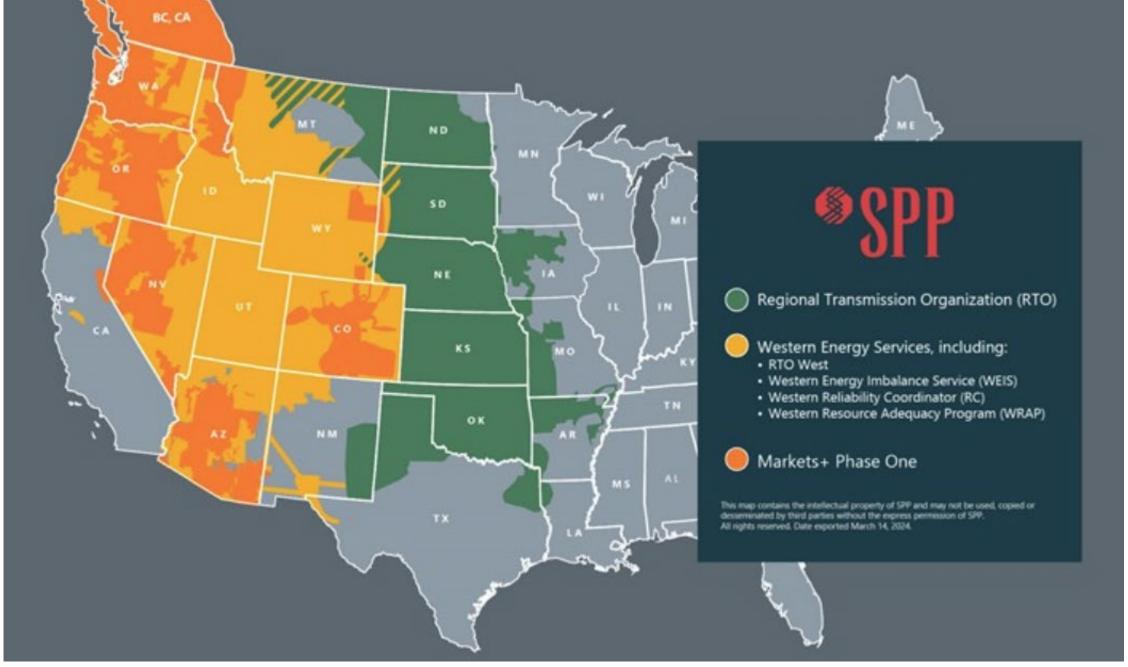
EMT Initiative: Applications and Pilots WG ISO/RTO perspectives & challenges

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Key EMT Applications in SPP

Current Uses:

- Generator Interconnections (in weak grids)
- HVDC Interconnection Planning and Design

Planned Uses:

- High Impact Large Load Interconnections (data centers, EV hubs)
- Grid-Enhancing Technologies (GETs): Advanced Power Flow Controllers
- MT-HVDC Transmission Planning and Design



EMT for Generator Interconnections (GI)

Use Case:

 Required when GSAT (SCR, WSCR, etc.) flags weak grid

Model Requirements:

- EMT model compliance with SPP EMT Model Requirements
- Pass 12 technical tests (e.g., ride-through, P/Q control)

Key Studies:

 EMT dynamic performance study (Running TPL-001-5.1 contingencies)

Challenges:

- Model validation and developer coordination
- Lack of detailed system-wide EMT models

SPP GI Queue, ISD 2030

GEN TYPE	Requests	GW Capacity
Battery / Storage	144	21 GW
Hybrid	59	12 GW
Solar	223	47.7 GW
Thermal	20	3.5 GW
Wind	115	27.4 GW
TOTAL	561	111.5 GW



EMT for HVDC Interconnections

Use Case:

Required for all HVDC projects

Model Requirements:

Like GI (previous slide)

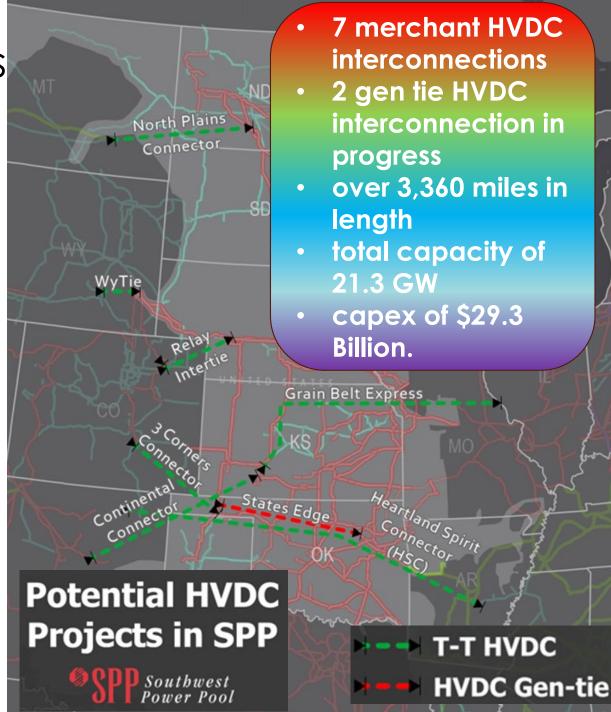
Key Studies:

- EMT dynamic performance study
- Emergency Power Control
- Grid-Forming Assessment
- Fault Ride-Through
- SSO & Converter-Driven Stability

Challenges:

Like GI (previous slide)





EMT for Large Load (>10 on 69kV, >50 MW above 69kV)

Use Case:

Under development for loads like Data centers, EV hubs, and electrolyzers

Model Requirements:

Like GI (previous slide)

LL Requests. Received = 2581.02 MW LL Requests Added to SA= 550.00 MW

SPP Requests:

7.05 GW

• Received: 26.36 GW

• In Service Date: 2027

Added to Service Agreement:

Key Studies:

o EMT dynamic performance study LL Requests. Received = 2145.21 MW LL Requests Added to SA=759.00MW

Harmonic impact and flicker

Fault Ride-Through

SSO & Converter-Driven Stability

Challenges:

- Like GI (previous slide)

Planned Timeline:

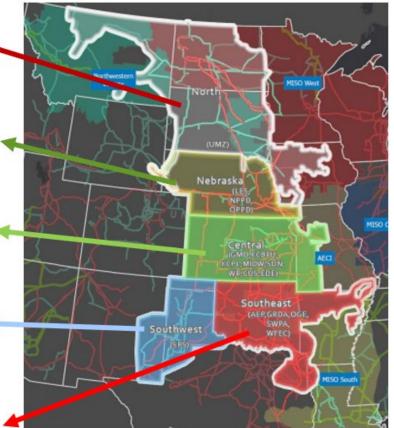
o 2025–2026

High Fidelity EMT models

LL Requests. Received=1577.49 MW LL Requests Added to SA=1019.85MW

LL Requests. Received=6302.80 MW LL Requests Added to SA=2300.00MW

LL Requests. Received=13758.08 MW LL Requests Added to SA=2426.66 MV



Future Applications & Trends

 Grid-Enhancing Technologies (GETs): Advanced Power Flow Controllers

- High Impact Large Load (HILL)
- Multi-Terminal HVDC EMT Simulation
- Multi-Domain Simulation & Advanced Inverter Modeling
- EMT Simulations for SPP Operation



Thank you

