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## **Mapping Committee Meeting Minutes for September 10, 2021**

Attendees:

**PUC** - Thomas Gleeson, Connie Corona, Cindy Guerrero, David Smeltzer, Tom Hunter, Mike Hoke, Therese Harris, Rama Singh Rastogi, Rebecca Zerwas, Komel Patel, Gary Horton, Kristen Abbott, Keith Rogas, Gina Smith

**RRC** – Wei Wang, R J DeSilva, Jason Clark, Kelli Castell, Edgar Chavez, Natalie Dubiel, Jeremy Manzur, Haley Cochran

**TDEM** – Nim Kidd

**ERCOT** – Bill Blevins

Report from Thomas Gleeson, Executive Director, PUC

- Meet monthly until December to receive updates from project teams
- Make meeting minutes public
- The Wednesday after the meeting the minutes will be put in the Teams portal to review for edits
- When the meeting minutes are ready, they will be filed in the project for public view
- TDU and generators reached out to talk about their ideas – come in talk through ideas and concerns, Meeting in October – engage other entities
- Report due January 2022
- Executive Director's for RRC and PUC will speak at the others upcoming open meeting to provide updates and to highlight the teams progress and the working towards a common goal
- Each Project Team will provide an update (below)

### **Communications Team - Andrew Barlow and R.J. Silva**

RRC (R.J DeSilva) and PUC (Andrew Barlow) continue to work together. They recapped their previous meeting regarding their shared efforts to discern the desired outcomes of the legislation and plans to continue mapping the flow of information it requires.

### **Critical Facilities Team – David Smeltzer**

The team has been meeting and discussing critical load. Both the RRC and PUC are proposing draft rules on 9/14 & 9/16 respectively relating to designating gas infrastructure as critical.

### **Database Team – Gina Smith**

Use existing ARC GIS Online as the official point of truth database

RRC will need to commit to a method of sharing data, whether it be through ArcGIS Online account or via sFTP (secure) site

The main focus is security, particularly for NERC CIP compliance. Under NERC CIP, covered entities are required to identify critical assets and to regularly perform a risk analysis of those assets. Policies for monitoring and changing the configuration of critical assets need to be defined, as do policies governing access to those assets. The PUC and RRC would not be subject to CIP audits by TRE.

### **Report Team – Tom Hunter**

Set up meetings to talk to each team lead to track progress and discuss formulation of report

First draft by 12/1

### **Weatherization Team – Kristin Abbott**

A Proposal for Publication was issued and comments were due back September 16<sup>th</sup>. This Proposal for Publication was approved August 26<sup>th</sup> by the Commission.

Phase 1 - Require utility and generator CEOs to file attestations of compliance to having completed certain winter weather readiness standards by December 1

Phase 2 – Weather Study - to begin in December and continue through 2022 to include all seasons. The goal of the weather study is to meet the objective of Senate Bill 3 which requires the PUC to adopt rules that ensure adequate electric generation service and transmission service in extreme weather that considers predictions made by the Office of the Texas State Climatologist.

Phase 3 will be RRC's weatherization plan - 6 months after the map is published - anticipated to be September 2022.

### **Mapping Team – Therese Harris**

The PUC and RRC have weekly mapping meetings – discussions include review of information each agency maintains and an initial discussion regarding what needed information is lacking

PUCT Database Team and RRC IT experts continue to discuss options for the secure sharing of datasets between the state agencies and have explored methods to securely share datasets

PUC set up ArcGIS online group to test sharing of datasets. The PUC currently stores its geodatabase on ArcGIS online. Invited RRC to join the group and to test sharing of data between agencies. Initial tests will involve sharing public files. Goal is to determine if sharing files via ArcGIS online satisfies the security and data requirements of the team.

RRC initiated a discussion for an MOU between the PUCT and RRC. The MOU will be in place prior to sharing the confidential datasets needed to prepare the electricity supply chain map.

GIS developers will meet regularly to discuss mapping techniques to inform the workflow and process for building the electricity supply chain map.

PUCT and RRC GIS mappers will obtain steady feedback and guidance from the mapping team and the larger electricity supply chain security and mapping committee regarding what attributes of the critical infrastructure are most important, and how the data should appear on the map.

PUC met with DPS 9/9/2021. DPS is undertaking a pilot project to prioritize critical infrastructure in Texas. They have developed a set of questions to determine criticality. Project will not be completed in time for use in the electricity supply chain. However, the PUC will continue to meet with DPS to assess the information they currently hold. Suggested that the PUC seek access to confidential homeland security data. This would require certain individuals to obtain PCII certification.

Continue work to identify gaps and overlaps in data between RRC and PUC

Conclusion:

Next meeting will be scheduled for October 8th