



California ISO

# Update: 2026 Market Policy Catalog and Roadmap

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# Annual Market Policy Catalog & Roadmap Process

## Market Policy Catalog

- ISO accepts market policy initiative proposals from stakeholders and documents stakeholder support
- Key input to the prioritization process

## Market Policy Roadmap

- Work plan that describes the market policy initiatives the ISO will undertake from 2027-2029
- Final Roadmap represents intersection of stakeholder-identified priorities from the Catalog, [ISO Critical & Strategic objectives](#), initiative feasibility, urgency, and ISO resources.
- Includes initiatives identified by both stakeholders and the ISO

# 2026 Market Policy Catalog & Roadmap Schedule

<b>January</b>	2026 kickoff stakeholder meeting
<b>February</b>	Stakeholders submit market policy initiative proposals to Catalog
<b>March</b>	Regional Issues Forum (RIF) Roundtable
<b>April</b>	Stakeholder workshop
	Briefing to BOSR
<b>Mid-April to Mid-May</b>	BOSR comments
	RIF Roundtable Report
	Stakeholder prioritization survey
<b>June</b>	Publish updated 2026 Market Policy Roadmap
	Publish 2026 Market Policy Catalog
<b>October</b>	Draft Market Policy Roadmap released for stakeholder comment
	Briefing to RIF + RIF feedback
	Briefing to BOSR + BOSR feedback
<b>December</b>	Final Market Policy Roadmap released



# BOSR participation is encouraged

- **Stay informed**

- ISO meetings recorded and [posted](#)

- **Propose initiatives**

- Policy initiative submissions (February)

- **Prioritize initiatives for the Roadmap**

- BOSR comments
  - Feedback on priorities among both newly-proposed and existing Market Policy initiatives
  - Feedback on any other Catalog/Roadmap topics, including overall process
- Individual commissions or groups associated with commissions
  - Stakeholder prioritization survey: April 9-May 15

# Stakeholder-led prioritization process

## **BOSR Prioritization Comments**

- BOSR provides written feedback on priorities for new and existing initiatives, as well as feedback on Catalog/Roadmap process

## **Regional Issues Forum Roundtable & Report**

- RIF sector liaisons compile feedback from members about themes, issues, and priorities; synthesize common priorities among sectors

## **Stakeholder prioritization workshop**

- Clarify purpose of submissions
- Develop understanding of breadth of stakeholder support for individual submissions & reasons for support

## **Stakeholder prioritization survey**

- Stakeholders prioritize proposed and existing policy initiatives

# 2026 Market Policy Catalog Proposals

Organization	Submission Title
Appian Way Energy Partners	Western market seams coordination
Bonneville Power Administration	Market-to-market seams
California Department of Water Resources - State Water Project	Rising costs to LSEs with Real-Time Congestion Offset (RTCO) Charges
California Department of Water Resources - State Water Project	Flex RA phantom obligation due to delayed commercial operation date
California Public Utilities Commission Energy Division	Liquidity of bilateral indices in FERC Order 831 implementation
California Public Utilities Commission Energy Division	EDAM and DAME assessment
Pacificorp	Imbalance reserve product enhancements
Pacific Gas & Electric	2028 EDAM Review
Pacific Gas & Electric	Ancillary Services Real-Time Re-Optimization
The Energy Authority	EDAM BAA Transactional Market Seams Enhancements
The Joint Parties	Maximum Import Capability (MIC) Enhancements
Vitol Inc.	Economic intertie bidding under EDAM
Western Resource Advocates	Intertie bidding with EDAM
Western Power Trading Forum	EDAM enhancements
Western Power Trading Forum	Eliminate Flex RA & Update Capacity Procurement Mechanism
Western Power Trading Forum	Internal and external market seams

# 2026 Market Policy Roadmap

		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
	<b>Commitment Cost Bidding Flexibility</b>	<b>Public dialogue: next steps</b>			
	<b>Congestion Revenue Rights Enhancements</b>	<b>Policy development</b>			<b>Decision</b>
	<b>Demand and Distributed Energy Market Integration</b>	<b>Policy development</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Implementation</b>	
	<b>EDAM Congestion Revenue Allocation</b>	<b>Policy development</b>			
	<b>EDAM Enhancements</b>	<b>As needed</b>			
	<b>Finance Enhancements</b>	<b>Policy development</b>	<b>Decision</b>		
	<b>Price Formation Enhancements</b>				
	Scarcity pricing & market power mitigation	<b>Policy development</b>			<b>Decision</b>
	Fast start pricing	<b>Postponed</b>			

# 2026 Market Policy Roadmap (cont.)

		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>Resource Adequacy Modeling and Program Design</b>					
	Track 1: Modeling and default rules		<b>Implementation</b>		
	Track 2: Outage substitution and availability and incentive mechanisms	<b>Policy development</b>			<b>Decision</b>
	Track 3a: Resource visibility				<b>Implementation</b>
	Track 3b: Backstop reform and long-term EDAM RSE solutions				<b>Policy development</b>
<b>Storage Design and Modeling</b>					
	Topic group 1: Outage management enhancements	<b>Policy development</b>	<b>Implementation</b>		
	Topic group 2: Uplift & default energy bids	<b>Policy development</b>			
	Topic group 3: State-of-charge management	<b>Policy development</b>			
	Topic group 4: Mixed-fuel & distribution-level resources	<b>Policy development</b>			
<b>WEIM Resource Sufficiency Evaluation Enhancements</b>		<b>Postponed</b>			

# Resources

- 2026 Market Policy Catalog & Roadmap [webpage](#)
  - 2026 Market Policy [submissions](#)
- Questions?
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