

## **ROS Review 2019**

**Kevin Bunch and Tim Hall**

- Review of Scope – Is the Scope still valid and is the subcommittee/working group/task force still performing these functions; Does the scope need to be revised?
  - The Scope is still valid and does not need to be revised at this time.
- Review Open Action Items list – Is the subcommittee/working group/task force discussing open issues, ongoing issues, etc.
  - Yes
- How often does the subcommittee/working group/task force meet and how long are their meetings? Are meetings well attended?
  - ROS meets monthly and the meetings are well attended.
- Does the subcommittee/working group/task force have a similar scope with another subcommittee/working group/task force – if so, can the groups be consolidated?
  - ROS does not have a similar scope as another subcommittee and should not be consolidated.
- If applicable, review subcommittee/working group/task force procedures. (voting, process, etc.)
- Is the subcommittee/working group/task force still necessary?
  - ROS is still necessary.

**Operations Working Group (OWG)** and **Black Start Working Group** provided verbal responses at the September ROS meeting and confirmed they have reviewed the scope, no changes are necessary, the meetings occur regularly and are well attended and neither WG should be consolidated with another WG.

## **Dynamics Working Group (DWG)**

Christina Minchew

Ransome Egunjobi

Is the scope still valid? **Yes**

Does the scope need to be revised? **No**

Is the working group discussing open issues, ongoing issues, etc. **Yes**

How often does the working group meet and how long are their meetings? **Quarterly. Meetings range from 1 to 2 days.**

Are meetings well attended? **Yes**

Does the working group have a similar scope with another working group, if so, can the groups be consolidated? **No**

If applicable, review working group procedures. (voting, process, etc.)

Is the working group still necessary? **Yes**

## **Planning Geomagnetic Disturbance Task Force (PGDTF)**

Aster Amahatsion and Mike Juricek

Is the scope still valid? **Yes**

Does the scope need to be revised? **Yes. The scope needs update to include new requirement responsibilities in the NERC GMD Planning Standard.**

Is the working group discussing open issues, ongoing issues, etc. **Yes**

How often does the working group meet and how long are their meetings? **The group meets monthly, usually for 4-6 hours.**

Are meetings well attended? **Yes, the meetings are attended in person and via webinar.**

Does the working group have a similar scope with another working group, if so, can the groups be consolidated? **No, the group works on Geomagnetic Disturbance assessment, the modeling data requirement, and the study is unique.**

If applicable, review working group procedures. (voting, process, etc.)

Is the working group still necessary? **Yes.**

## **Planning Working Group (PLWG)**

Tim Cook

Cross Texas Transmission

Is the scope still valid? **The PLWG's scope has been reviewed by the Chair and Vice Chair and the scope was determined to be valid.**

Does the scope need to be revised? **No changes are recommended at this time.**

Is the working group discussing open issues, ongoing issues, etc. **PLWG doesn't have an open issues list at this time. If a list is needed it will be created and maintained at the PLWG.**

How often does the working group meet and how long are their meetings? **The PLWG is scheduled to meet monthly. This year's work load has been lighter for the working group and so scheduled meetings have been cancelled. The meetings duration range from an hour to 4 hours.**

Are meetings well attended? **The meetings are well attended.**

Does the working group have a similar scope with another working group, if so, can the groups be consolidated? **No, however as agendas allow PLWG and RPG will meet on the same day due to many of the same market participants attending.**

If applicable, review working group procedures. (voting, process, etc.) **This will be discussed with the working group.**

Is the working group still necessary? **Yes.**

### **Operations Training Working Group (OTWG)**

As discussed by me (2019 Chair), Stacy Wozny (2019 Vice Chair), Aaron Ballew (Manager, Operations Training-ERCOT), and Erik Johnson (Supervisor, System Operations Training-ERCOT)

We have some work to do and will get going in our October meeting. Our agenda will include drafting the Revised Scope to include the appropriate Focus Groups, and contacting our membership to increase and energize participation for 2020.

- Is the scope still valid?  
**Yes.**
- Does the scope need to be revised?  
**Yes. Revised Scope completion by year-end will outline appropriate Focus Groups to coordinate development/implementation of specific training events with ERCOT Operations Training (i.e. Black Start Workshop, Operator Training Seminar, Human Performance Improvement, Severe Weather Drills).**
- Is the working group discussing open issues, ongoing issues, etc.?  
**Yes, but we need more input regarding operational issues observed as a result of system events, employee turnover, etc.**
- How often does the working group meet and how long are their meetings?  
**Monthly, 1-3 hours.**
- Are meetings well attended?  
**Low. We have a large membership but need representation and engagement from all market participants in the target audience (real-time Transmission/Distribution/Generation System Operators).**
- Does the working group have a similar scope with another working group, if so, can the groups be consolidated?  
**No.**
- If applicable, review working group procedures. (voting, process, etc.)  
**N/A**
- Is the working group still necessary?  
**Yes, but currently the training needs of the MANY are being identified, planned, and presented by a FEW.**

### **Performance, Disturbance, Compliance Working Group (PDCWG)**

Chad Mulholland and Jimmy Jackson

Is the scope still valid?

**Yes**

Does the scope need to be revised?

**No**

Is the working group discussing open issues, ongoing issues, etc.

**Yes**

How often does the working group meet and how long are their meetings?

Monthly

Are meetings well attended?

Yes

Does the working group have a similar scope with another working group, if so, can the groups be consolidated?

No

If applicable, review working group procedures. (voting, process, etc.)

N/A

Is the working group still necessary?

Yes

### **Steady State Working Group (SSWG)**

Brian Hithersay and Naved Khan

Annually TAC request all Subcommittees to review each Working Group's activities to help ensure all groups are adequately performing expected tasks. Please take a moment to review the questions below and work with you Chairs/Vice Chairs to provide a response prior to 8/23/19. Should you have any questions please let me know.

Is the scope still valid? Yes

Does the scope need to be revised? No

Is the working group discussing open issues, ongoing issues, etc. Yes

How often does the working group meet and how long are their meetings? Monthly WebEx ~2 hours, Triannual face to face meetings ~2.5 days.

Are meetings well attended? Yes

Does the working group have a similar scope with another working group, if so, can the groups be consolidated? No, to my knowledge SSWG is the only group that provides case building; which other working groups utilize.

If applicable, review working group procedures. (voting, process, etc.) The latest procedure manual request is attached.

Is the working group still necessary? Yes

### **System Protection Working Group (SPWG)**

Micheal Davis and John Karlik

Is the scope still valid?

Yes

Does the scope need to be revised?

No. The scope was last reviewed and approved by the ROS group in 1/11/2018.

Is the working group discussing open issues, ongoing issues, etc.

Yes

How often does the working group meet and how long are their meetings?

We meet three times a year (typically in the months of March, July, and November). The meetings are a minimum of 1 day and a maximum of 1.5 days.

Are meetings well attended?

Yes. On average, we have 20-30 people in attendance (15-20 in person and 5-10 via WebEx).

Does the working group have a similar scope with another working group, if so, can the groups be consolidated?

No

If applicable, review working group procedures. (voting, process, etc.)

N/A. The procedures were last reviewed and approved by the ROS group in 1/11/2018.

Is the working group still necessary?

Yes

### **Voltage Profile Working Group (VPWG)**

Chair: Matthew Lewis

Vice Chair: Biju Mathew

Is the scope still valid? Yes

Does the scope need to be revised? We do not believe a scope change is necessary at this time

Is the working group discussing open issues, ongoing issues, etc. Currently the group discussed the relevant NPRR and NOGR language for voltage issues on a regular basis and TSP participation is frequent.

How often does the working group meet and how long are their meetings? Currently it meets monthly, meetings are generally ½ day but can sometimes go well into the afternoon. I believe quarterly meetings are more appropriate at this point for how often agendas can run low on material and to prevent the group from becoming too much of a forum for protocol revision language reviews, which was not the intended scope at inception from my understanding.

Are meetings well attended? Yes

Does the working group have a similar scope with another working group, if so, can the groups be consolidated? Not to my knowledge

If applicable, review working group procedures. (voting, process, etc.) We affirmed our group's procedures in 2019.

Is the working group still necessary? Yes