

## **West of McNary Added To List of BPAT Posted Paths**

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The Bonneville Power Administration Transmission Business Line (BPAT) has determined that it must begin posting Available Transmission Capacity (ATC) across the West of McNary cutplane. This analysis was undertaken because BPAT has received several requests for long-term firm service for new generation which, in total, exceed the transfer capability of this path. The transfer capability of West of McNary with all facilities in service is 2850MW. The analysis has shown that current commitments fully utilize this transfer capability. The West of McNary cutplane is comprised of the following four lines:

Coyote Springs-Slatt 500kV  
McNary-Ross 345kV  
McNary-Horse Heaven 230kV  
McNary-Santiam 230kV

These facilities and the associated transmission capacity are owned by BPAT.

The path is limited in the east to west direction, but not in the west to east direction. Hence, ATC will only be computed and tracked in the east to west direction for this path. BPAT will initially post annual and monthly east to west ATC data starting with June, 2002. Daily and weekly ATC data for the West of McNary cutplane will be posted later as BPAT implements improved tracking systems.

The following list shows the combinations of POR's and POD's (or sources and sinks) which impact the West of McNary ATC. Transmission service from any of the listed POR's/sources to any of the listed POD's/sinks would impact the West of McNary cutplane.

### POR/Source

Avista

Basin Electric

BPA PBL

Any transaction out of Boundary

Any transaction out of Coyote Springs

LaGrande

Montana Power

Any transaction out of Colstrip

West Kootenay

Any transaction using the Eastside Northern Intertie.

WAPA Upper Great Plains

Any other source in the McNary, Hermiston, south-eastern Washington, north-eastern Oregon, northern Idaho, or Montana areas.

POD/Sink

John Day/COI

Big Eddy/NOB

Clark PUD

Cowlitz PUD

EWEB

Grays Harbor PUD

Lewis County PUD

PAC

PGE

PNGC

PowerEx

PSE

Seattle City Light

Tacoma Public Utilities

Any load in western Oregon, central Oregon, or western Washington (this includes BPA PBL loads and Direct Service Industry loads at Alcoa Troutdale, Alcoa Intalco, McCook Longview, Vanalco, Elf Atochem, NW Aluminum, and Goldendale Aluminum)

Any load in western British Columbia

Customers who wish to request transmission service that uses any of these POR/POD or source/sink combinations should check the West of McNary ATC posting to determine if transmission capacity is available. This is in addition to any other posted paths (such as COI, Northern Intertie, or West of Hatwai) that the desired request must cross.

If you have any questions, please contact your BPAT Account Executive or the BPAT Reservation Desk at (360) 418-8499.

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