

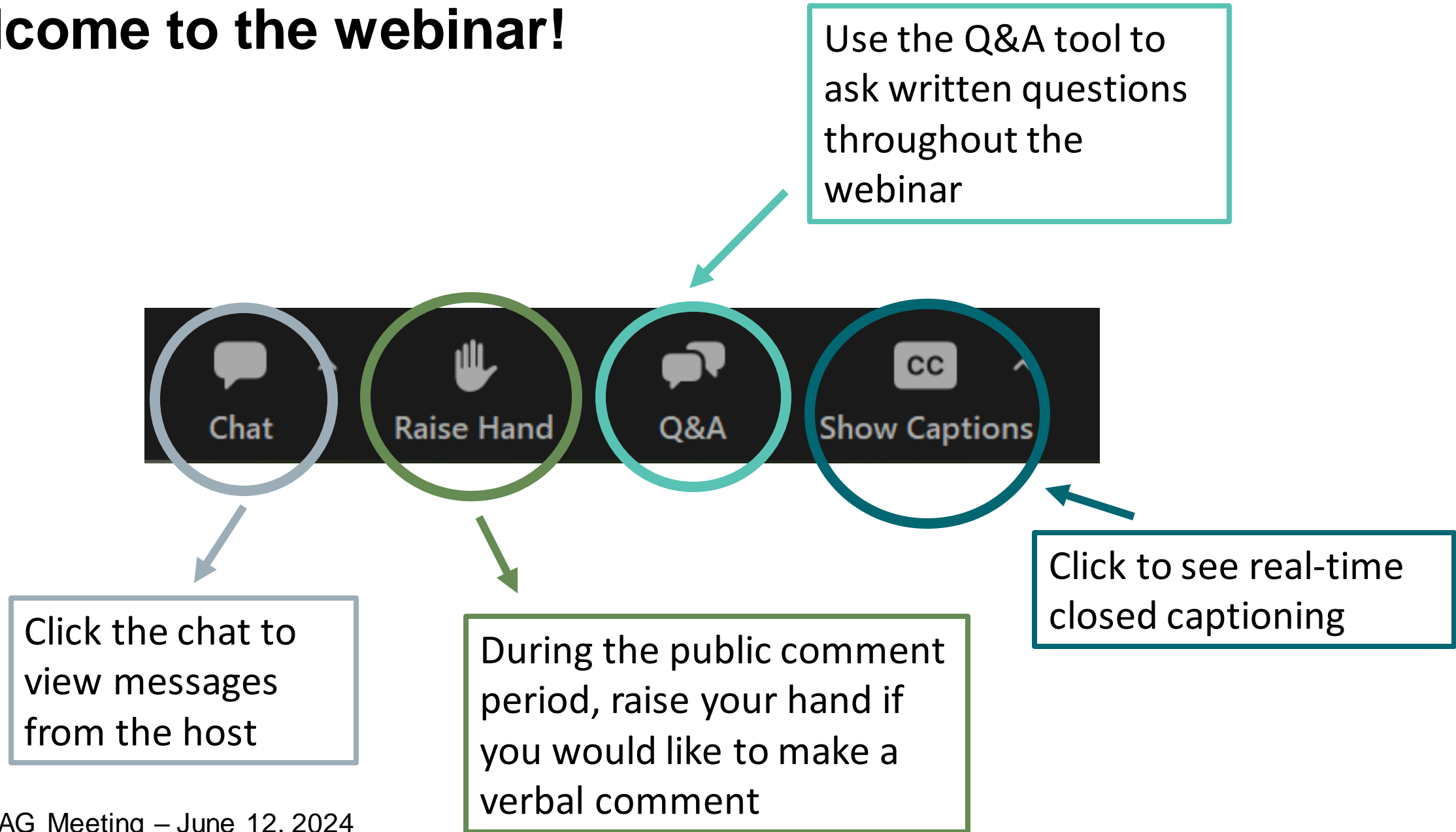
# Equity in the Integrated Resource Plan

Resource Planning Advisory Group meeting

June 12, 2024



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# Today's speakers

## **Sophie Glass**

Facilitator, Triangle Associates

## **Phillip Popoff**

Director, Resource Planning Analytics, PSE

## **Troy Hutson**

Director, Energy Equity, PSE

## **Brian Tyson**

Manager, Clean Energy Planning and Implementation, PSE

## **Alexandra Karpoff**

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## **Tyler Tobin**

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Associate Energy Resource Planning Analyst, PSE

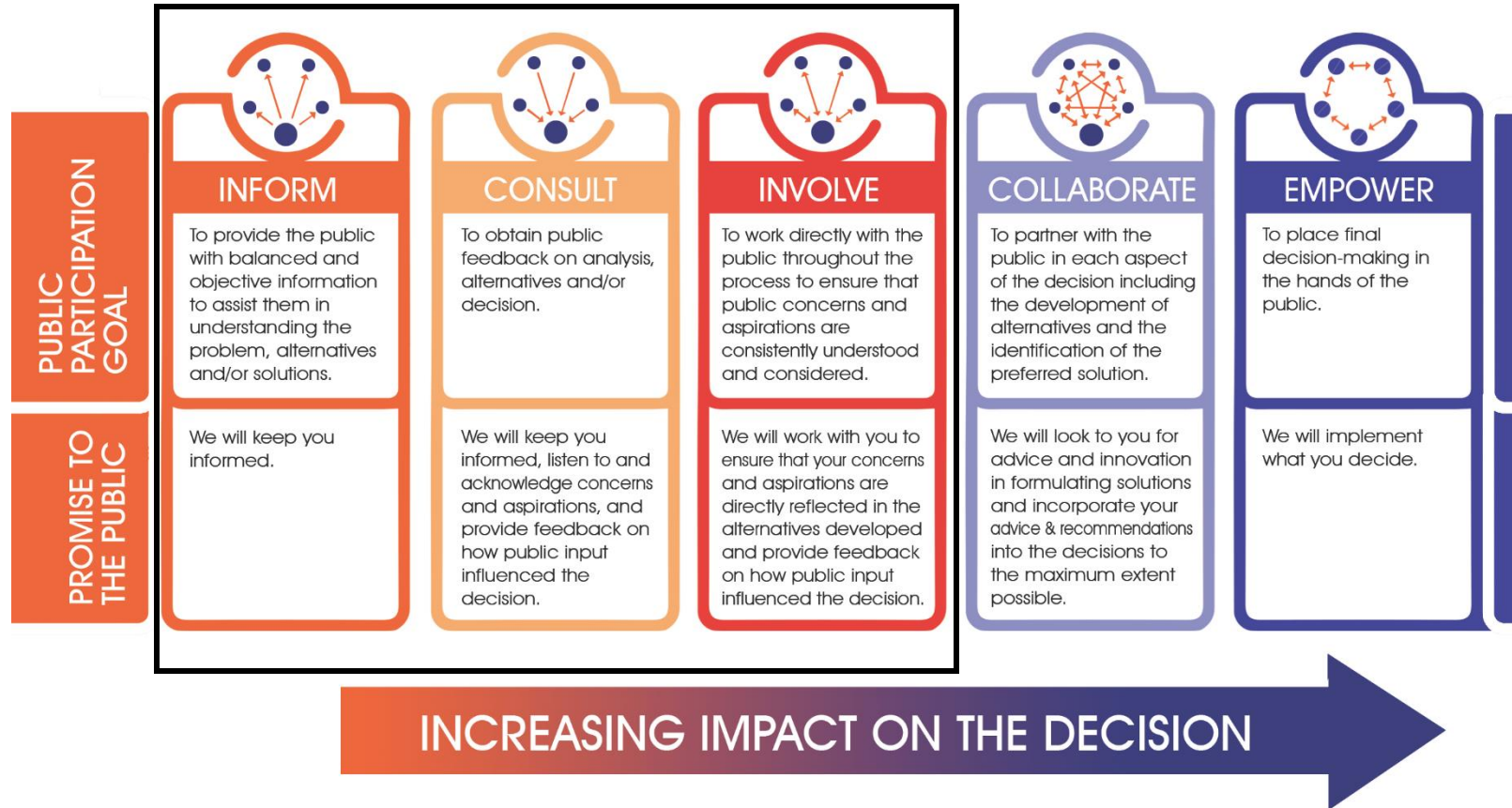
## **Kaitryn Olson**

Associate Energy Resource Planning Analyst, PSE

# Agenda

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter / Facilitator
10:00 a.m. – 10:05 a.m.	Introduction and agenda review	Sophie Glass, Triangle Associates
10:05 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.	Feedback summary	Phillip Popoff, PSE
10:10 p.m. – 10:20 a.m.	Energy equity program overview	Troy Hutson, PSE
10:20 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Equity in the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)	Brian Tyson, PSE
10:30 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.	Benefits and burdens of generic electric resources	Alexandra Karpoff, PSE
11:05 a.m. - 11:25 a.m.	Benefits and burdens example assessment	Kaitryn Olson, PSE
11:25 a.m. – 11:35 a.m.	Break	All
11:35 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.	Electric portfolio benefits analysis improvements Maximum Customer Benefit Scenario	Tyler Tobin, PSE
12:20 p.m. – 12:50 p.m.	Gas portfolio equity analysis	Hannah Wahl, PSE
12:50 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Next steps and public comment opportunity	Sophie Glass, Triangle Associates
1:00 p.m.	Adjourn	All

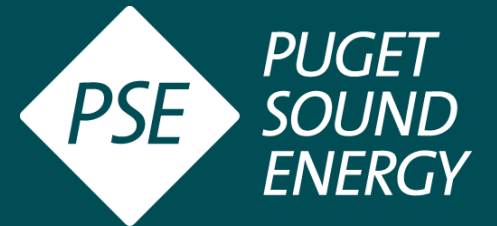
# IAP2 Spectrum



# Feedback summary

**Phillip Popoff**

Director, Resource Planning Analytics, PSE





# May 9 Local and Regional Delivery Infrastructure Needs public webinar feedback

## Feedback we heard:

- What transmission solutions are PSE exploring?
- PSE should consider reconductoring transmission lines
- Will PSE consider biodiesel for a peaking energy source?

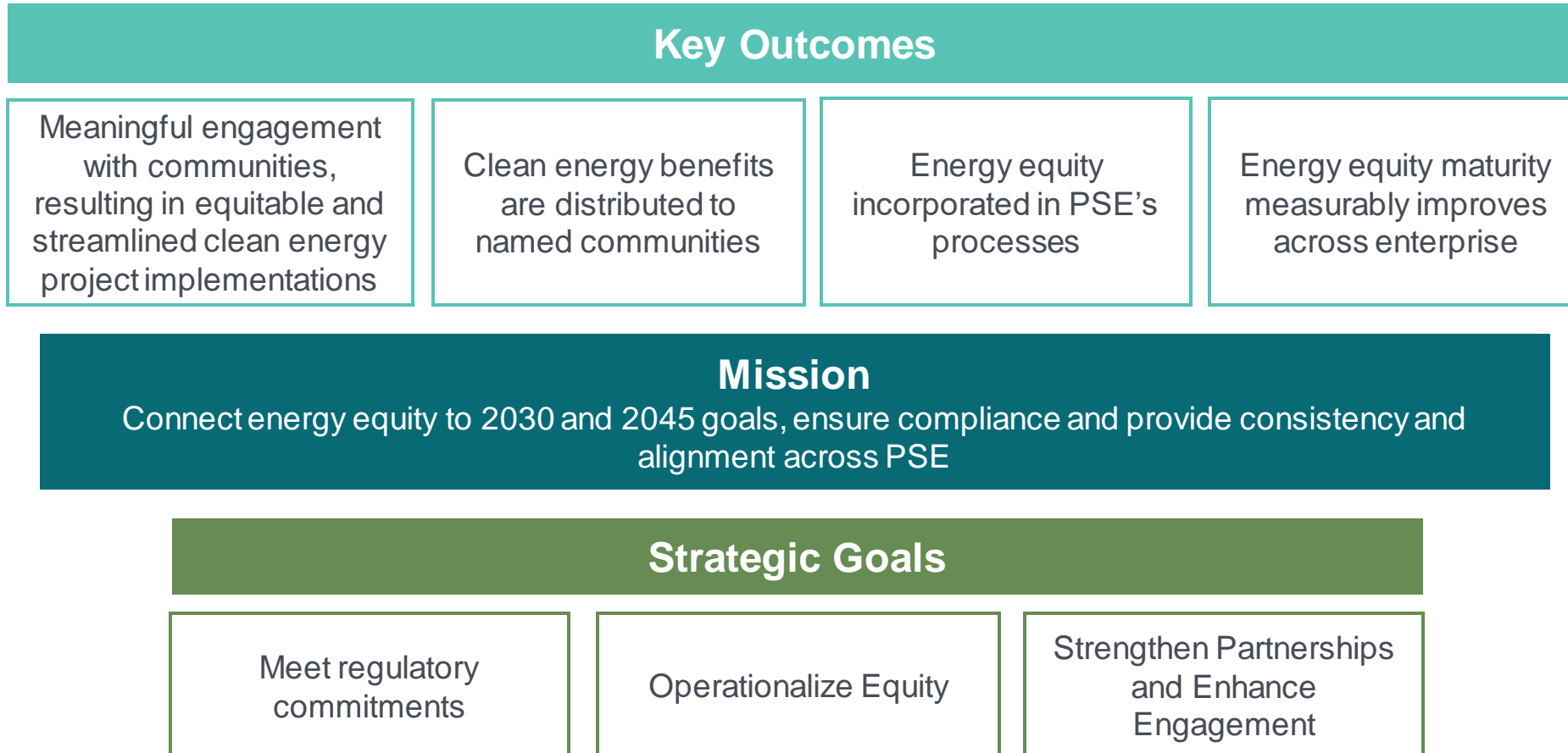
# Energy Equity Program

Troy Hutson

Director of Energy Equity, PSE



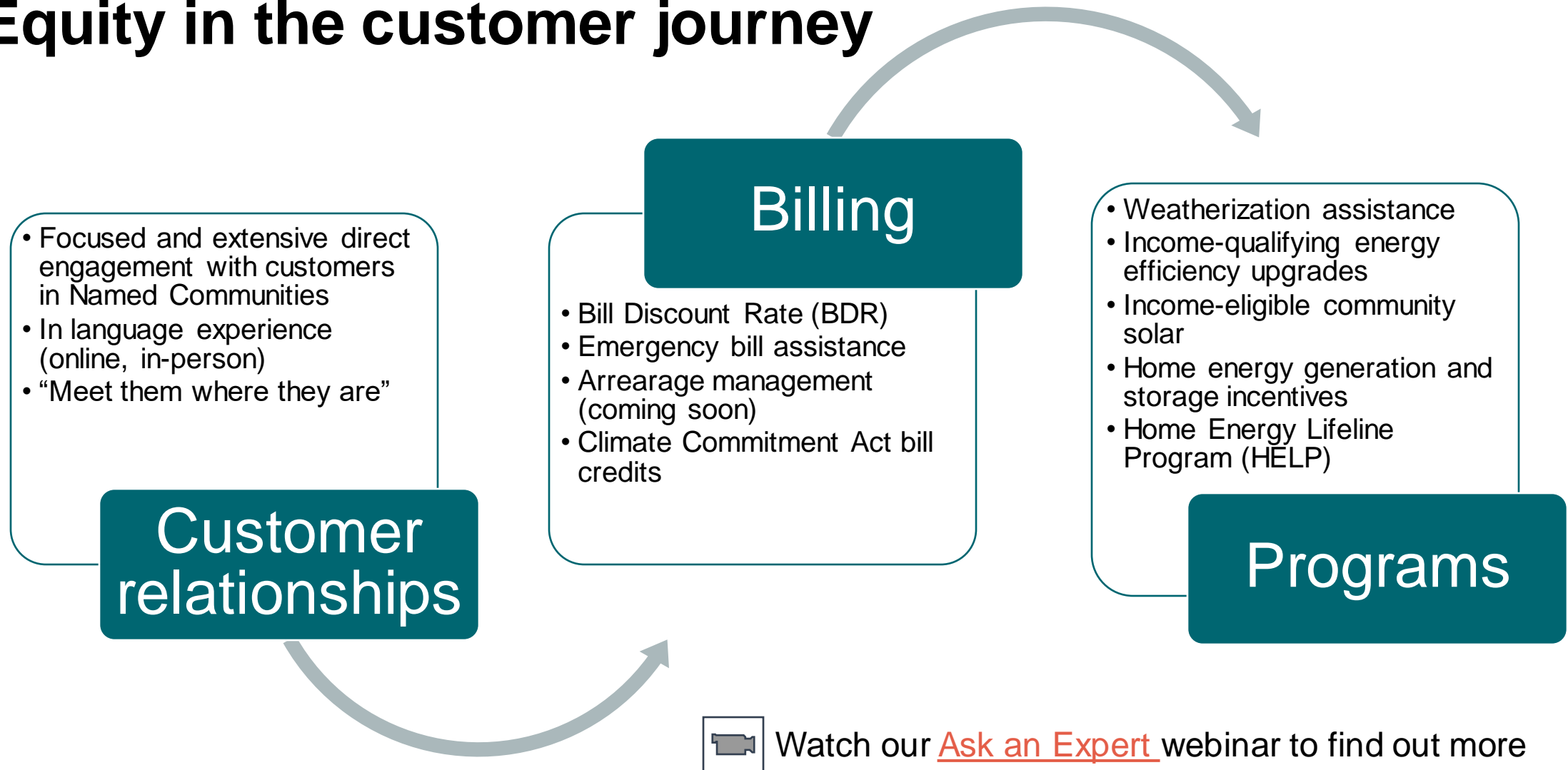
# Energy Equity Strategy



# Energy justice framework



# Equity in the customer journey



# Equity in energy planning and delivery

## Resource acquisition

- Requests for proposals
- Equity considerations integrated into project selection

## Delivery system

- Needs assessment
- Community engagement
- Clean energy resource integration
- Project implementation
- Service reliability
- Equity advancement

## Facility design, siting, and construction

- Community engagement
- Energy system resiliency

## Customer programs

- Program ideation and design
- Program development and delivery

## Integrated Resource Plan

- Customer engagement
- Generic resource selection
- Maximum customer benefit scenario
- Evaluate and consider customer benefits and burdens

## Clean Energy Implementation Plan

- Specific actions
- Customer programs goals and targets
- Equitable distribution of burdens and benefits



# Equity in Resource Planning (IRP)

**Brian Tyson**

Manager, Clean Energy Planning and Implementation, PSE



# PSE has two utilities

## Electric utility

- Used for heating, cooling, lighting, cooking and general power
- Current sources include:
  - Coal
  - Natural gas
  - Hydroelectric
  - Solar and wind
- CETA applies to the electric utility only

## Gas utility

- Sources include natural gas and renewable natural gas
- Hydrogen is currently being piloted
- Used for space heating, cooking and water heating



# Overview of resource plans

**All resource plans are updated or refiled biennially.**

## Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)

20+ years

- 20+ year resource plan, updated every 4 years, with a 2-year progress report for Electric and Gas
- Identifies long-term needs and resources

## Clean Energy Action Plan (CEAP)

10 years

- 10-year strategy for clean energy supply
- Filed jointly with IRP

## Clean Energy Implementation Plan

4 years

- 4-year roadmap for clean electricity
- Includes targets and actions

# Integrated resource plan (IRP) process

## Resource planning (IRP) activities

### Gather data

- What resources can serve our customers?
- Where would the resources come from?

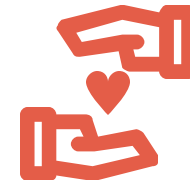


## Engage interested parties

Identify  
and  
model  
portfolios



**Portfolio  
benefits  
analysis**



Identify  
needs



# Integrating equity into resource planning

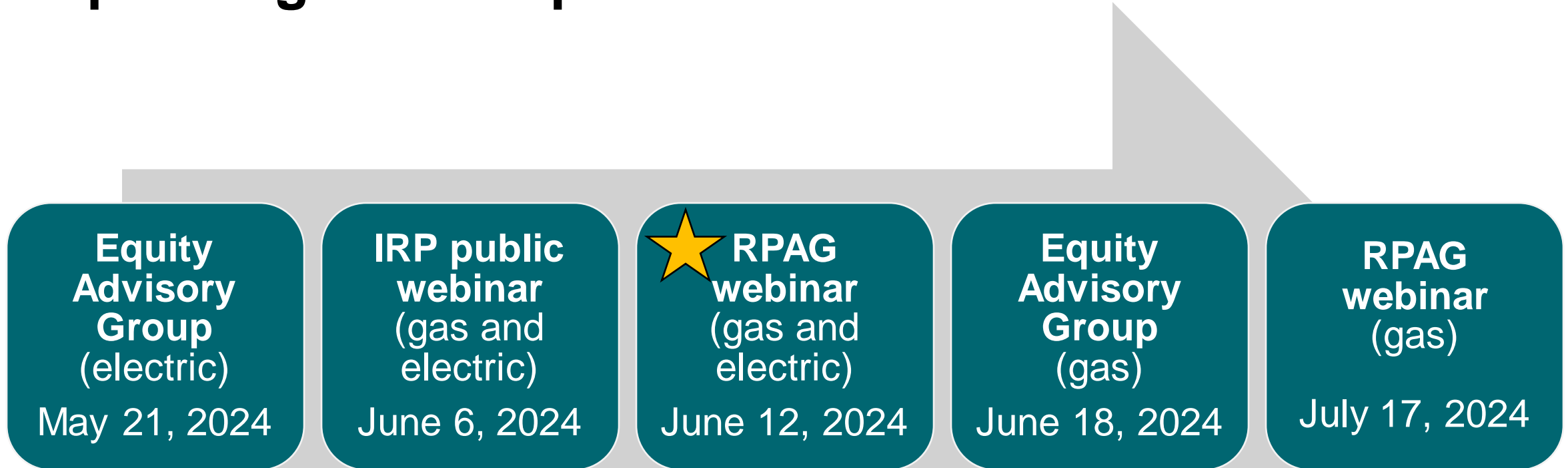
## Previous engagement (2022/23)

- Engaged EAG and IRP parties in portfolio analysis design
- Used portfolio benefit analysis to inform selection of the 2023 electric utility preferred portfolio
- Initiated conversations regarding gas utility next steps

## What we heard

- Interest in a cost-benefit analysis (incorporated)
- Importance of understanding benefits and burdens (discussing today)
- Interest in weighting benefit categories and inherent trade-offs (considering, informed by today's discussion)
- Interest in adding a climate change resilience indicator (considering through CEIP process)

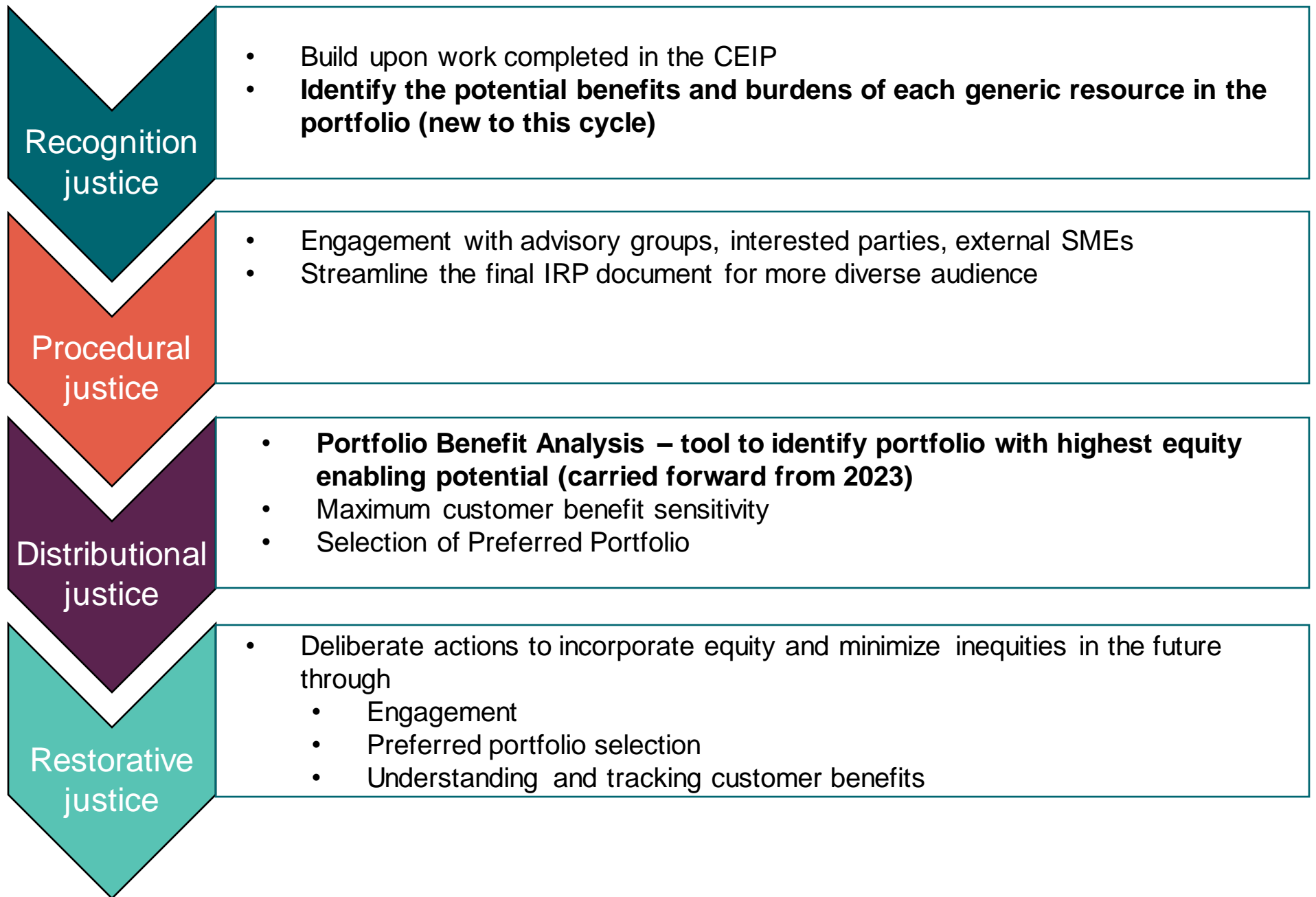
# Expanding on 2023 process



## Preliminary topics:

- Gas utility alternatives scorecard (similar to 2023 electric utility scorecard)
- Generic electric utility resources equity considerations

# 2025 IRP Energy Justice Core Tenets



# Feedback and discussion preview

**Sophie Glass**

Facilitator



# Today's feedback questions

- **What do you think of the proposed approaches?**
- **Are there other considerations you would like to see included?**

# Benefits and burdens of generic electric resources

Alexandra Karpoff

Energy Resource Planning Analyst, PSE





# 2025 IRP: deepening Our understanding



## Suggested approach

Assess potential burdens & benefits of **generic resources**

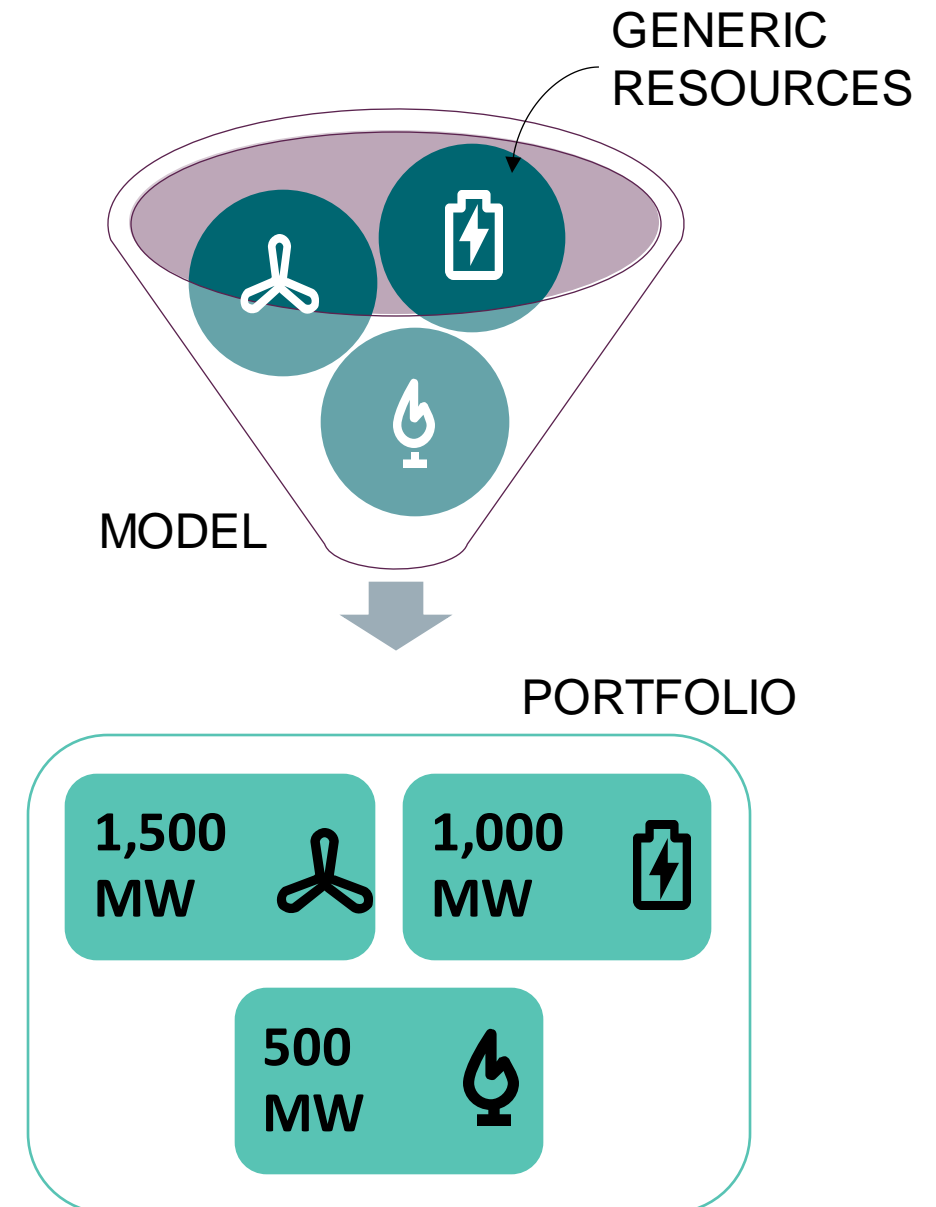
### Merits:

- Qualitative considerations
- Location considerations (to an extent)
- Furthers recognition justice

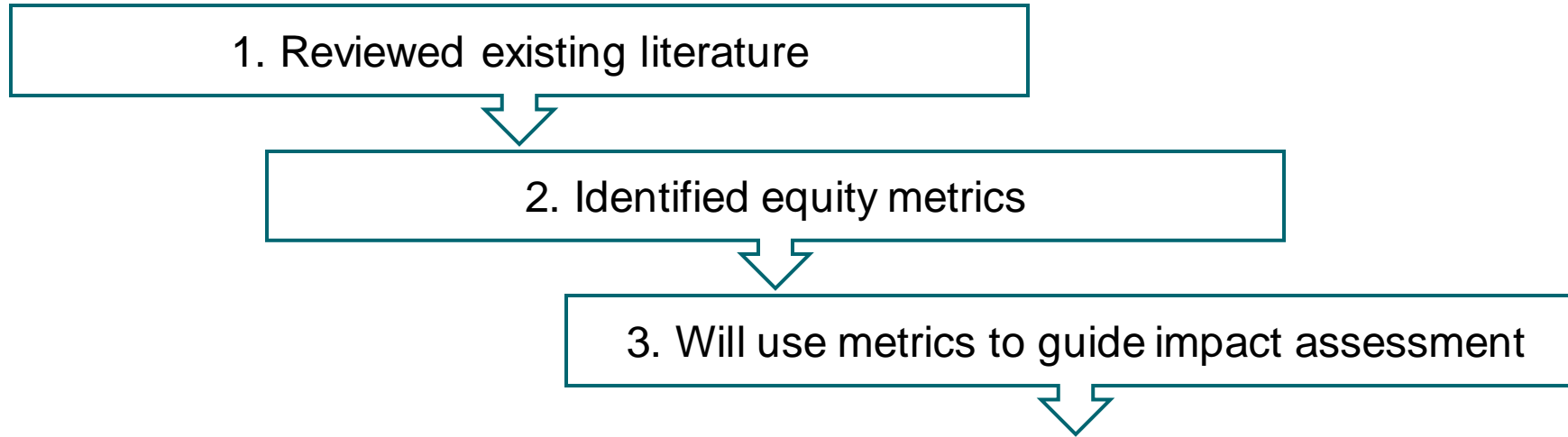
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## What is a generic resource?

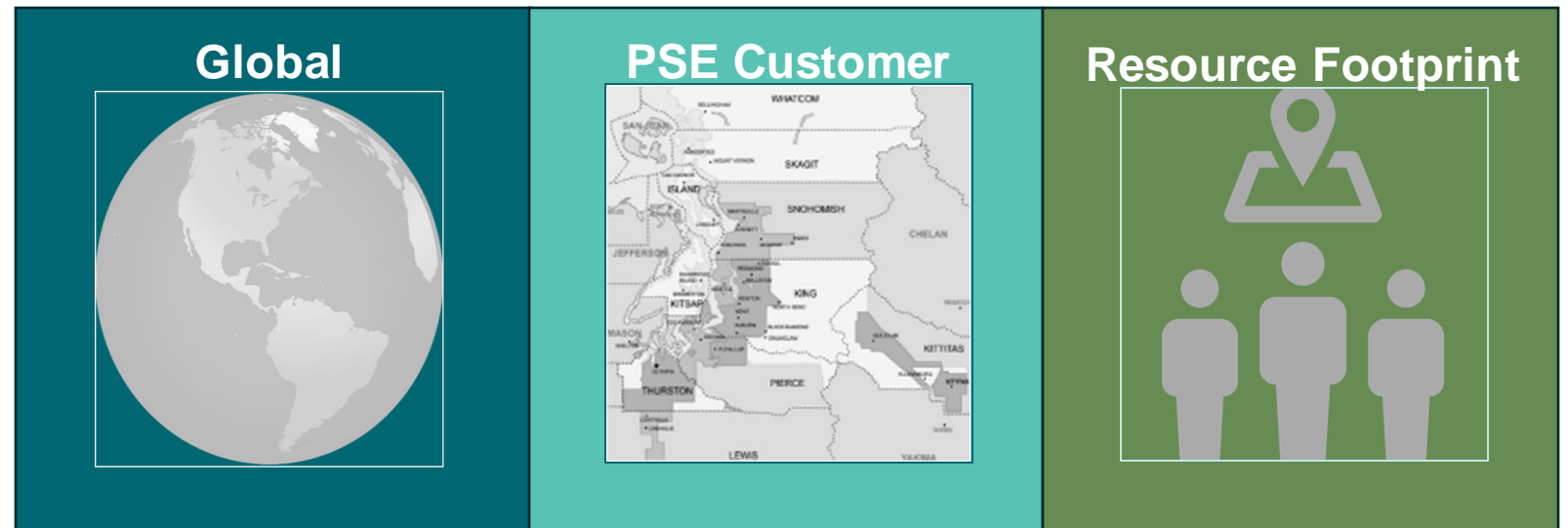
- ◆ A generating (e.g., wind) or storage (e.g., battery) resource
- ◆ Generic resources are place holders to help us model and plan for future customer needs
  - ◇ **No specific site/location associated**
- ◆ A portfolio is a mix of generic resources
  - ◇ Optimal size in megawatts (MW) for each type
  - ◇ Optimal schedule over time for adding each type



# Methods to assess burdens and benefits



## Generic Resources Burdens & Benefits Assessment



# Global scale metrics



## Burdens & Benefits

- Green house gas emissions (emitting / non-emitting)
- End of life effects

# PSE customer scale metrics



## Burdens & Benefits

- Participation in clean energy programs
- Home comfort
- Frequency and duration of outages
- Access to reliable clean energy
- Energy cost burdens

# Resource footprint scale metrics



## Burdens & Benefits

- Sited in a disproportionately impacted community
- Local energy serviced provided
- Change in land use/viewshed
- Change in noise exposure
- Community safety
- Outdoor air quality
- Community health
- Creation of jobs
- Decommissioning effects
- Wildlife & plant community impacts

# How will we use this assessment in the IRP?

## Results

1. Will be presented in 2025 IRP document
2. Inform the Portfolio Benefit Analysis
3. Assist in preferred portfolio selection

## Next Steps

- Incorporate feedback
- Perform assessment of each generic resource technology

## Benefits of Approach

- More comprehensive approach to building an equity-enabling portfolio
- Incorporate qualitative & location-based considerations

# Burdens & benefits example assessment

Kaitryn Olson

Associate Energy Resource Planning Analyst, PSE





# Land-based wind description

## Uses

- Renewable Resource that contributes to CETA requirement
- Variable energy source that contributes to base load

## Possible Locations

- Rural areas (disadvantaged communities)



# Land-based wind



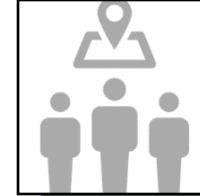
## Global Scale

- Non-emitting resource



## PSE Customer Scale

- Low-cost clean energy



## Resource Footprint Scale

- Land use changes
- Land view changes
- Noise
- Potential impact of local wildlife
- Disconnection in job market
- End of Life Effects

# Utility-scale lithium-ion battery

## Uses

- Increase renewable energy available to the grid
- Meet peak demands
- Reduce the need for new transmission or distribution infrastructure

## Possible Locations

- Co-located with wind/solar farms
- Near existing substations



Azure Sky hybrid wind + storage project – Texas (source: [renewableenergyworld.com](https://renewableenergyworld.com))

# Utility-scale lithium-ion battery



## Global Scale

- Non-emitting resource



## PSE Customer Scale

- Contributes to reliability
- Lower cost than other storage options



## Resource Footprint Scale

- Possible safety risks due to fire and toxic chemical exposure
- Possible noise
- Minimal job creation in the long-term
- Likely to serve the community in which it's located - depends

# Discussion

- **What do you think of the proposed approach to evaluating benefits and burdens of generic electric resources?**
- **Are there other considerations you would like to see included?**

# Electric Portfolio Benefits Analysis improvements

**Tyler Tobin**

Senior Energy Resource Planning Analyst, PSE



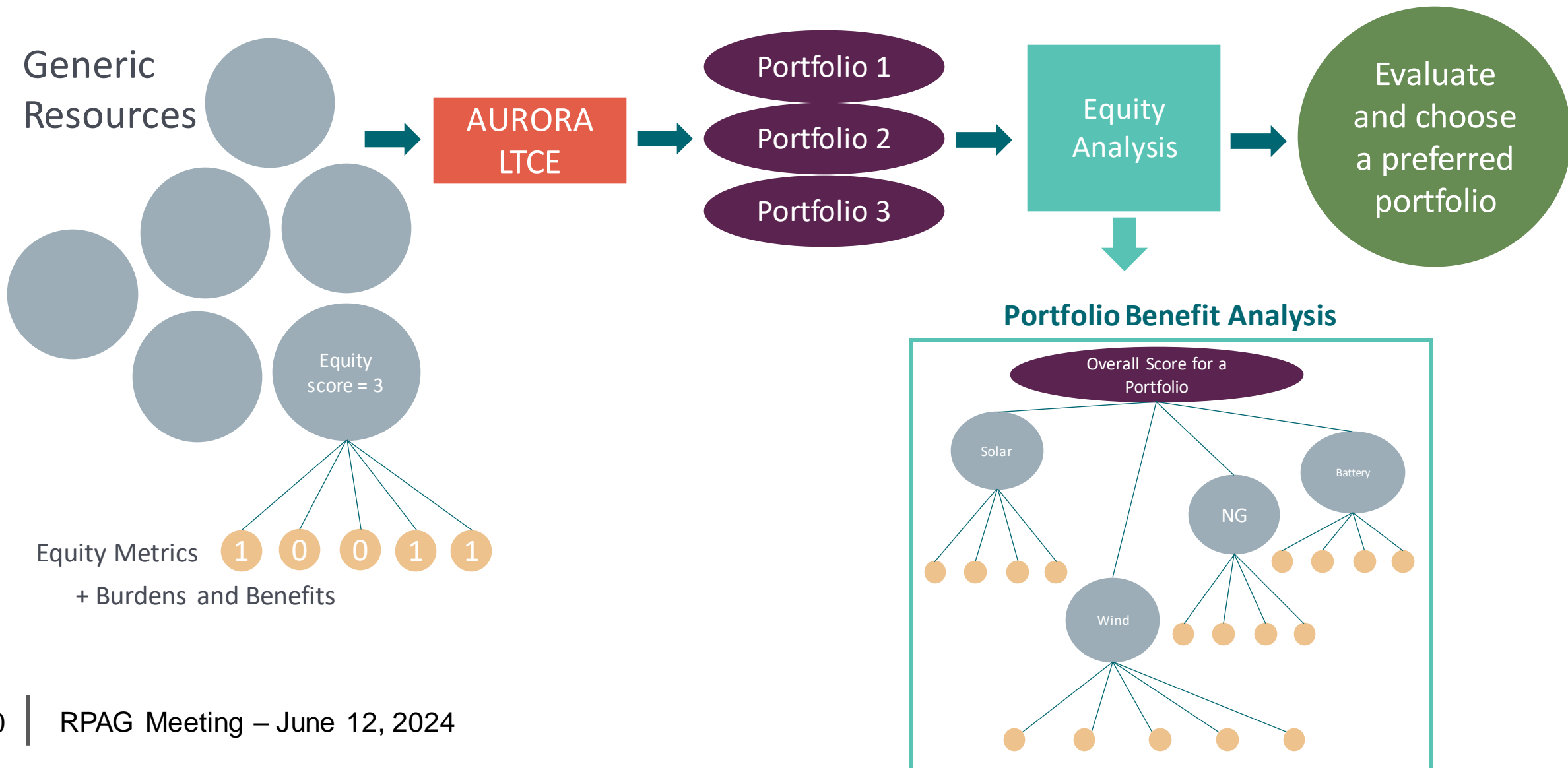


# IRP Equity Assessment

**Objective:** to develop a tool to allow us to see which portfolios developed in the IRP modeling are the most “equity enabling”

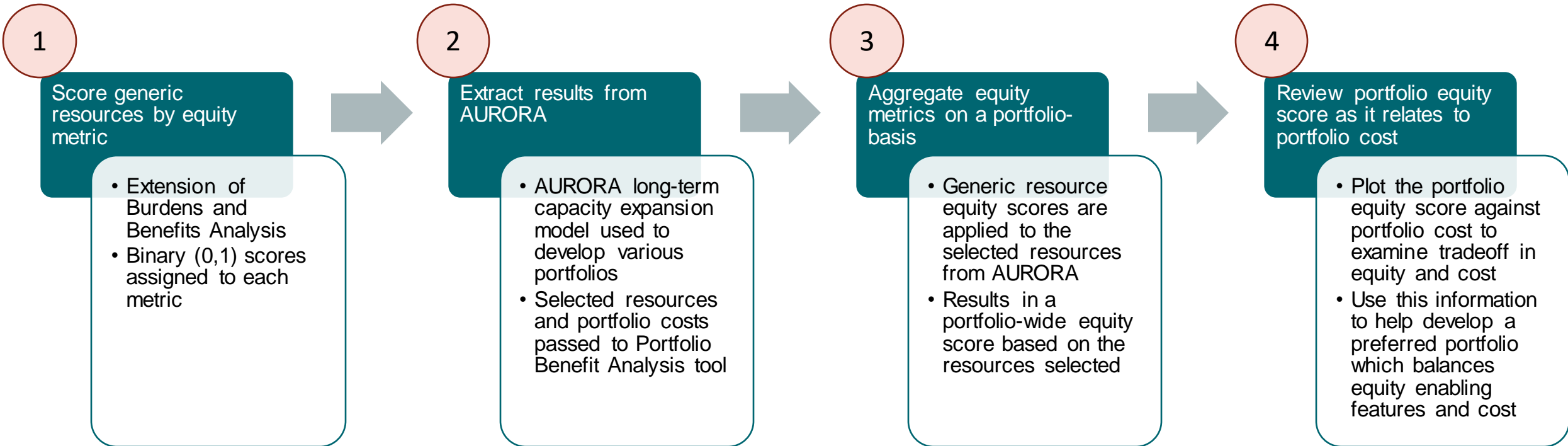
- Will assist in selecting a preferred portfolio
- Scorecard methodology in development for the 2025 IRP
  - Aligns with equity analysis methods from distribution system planning – consistency within PSE
  - Similar methods can be used for both electric and gas IRPs
  - Transparent method and easier to understand (compared to 2023 methods)
  - Will allow comparison across various timescales

# Equity in the context of portfolio modeling





# Portfolio benefit analysis methodology



# Methodology updates

1

Score generic resources by equity metric

2

Extract results from AURORA

3

Aggregate equity metrics on a portfolio-basis

4

Review portfolio equity score as it relates to portfolio cost

## 2023 EPR

*Data based solely on AURORA portfolio output, e.g. tons of GHG emissions*

Portfolio resource selections, portfolio cost, **portfolio metrics tabulated a posteriori from Step 1**

Aggregation performed on a **relative** basis (scoring relative to other portfolios)

Compare equity score and **total** portfolio cost

## 2025 IRP

*Resources scored individually by equity metric on a qualitative basis*

Portfolio resource selections, portfolio cost, **metrics scored a priori in Step 1**

Aggregation performed on an **absolute** basis (scoring developed independent of other portfolios)

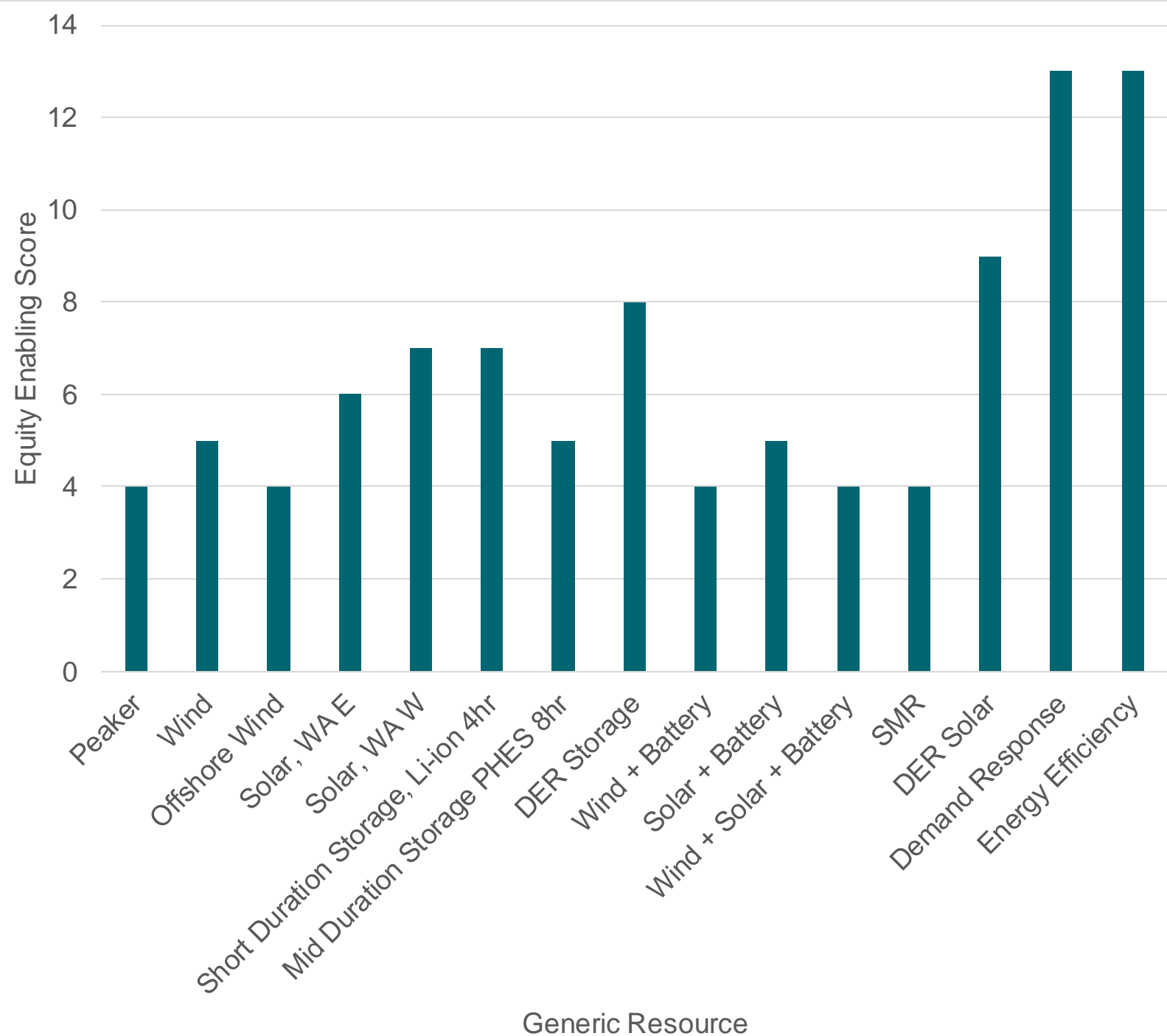
Compare equity score and **normalized** portfolio cost

# Equity Enabling Metrics

Metric	Description	Criteria Score = 1	Criteria Score = 0
	<b>Global Scale</b>		
1	Reduced GHG Emissions*	Net-zero Emissions	GHG Emitting
2	Minimal End of Life Effects	Demand Response, Energy Efficiency	Resources with Physical Structures
	<b>PSE Customer Scale</b>		
3	Increase Participation in Clean Energy Programs*	Energy Efficiency, Demand Response, Distributed Resources	Utility-scale Resources
4	Improve Home Comfort*	Energy Efficiency	Not Energy Efficiency
5	Decrease in Frequency and Duration of Outages*	Storage, Demand Response, Thermal, Nuclear	Wind, Solar
6	Improve Access to Reliable Clean Energy*	Distributed Storage	Not Distributed Storage
7	Reduce Energy Cost Burdens*	Utility Scale Resources, Energy Efficiency, Demand Response	Emerging Technology, Distributed Resources
	<b>Project Footprint Scale</b>		
8	Siting – Potentially Benefiting a Disadvantaged Community	TBD	TBD
9	Local Energy Service Provided	Assumed Location within PSE Service Territory	Assumed Location Outside of PSE Service Territory
10	Increase the Quality and Quantity of Jobs	Energy Efficiency, Demand Response	Utility-scale Resources, Distributed Resources
11	Change in Land Use/Viewshed	Not Wind or Solar	Wind, Solar, PHES
12	Increase Noise Exposure	Mitigation Measures Available	Mitigation Measures Unavailable
13	Affect Community Safety	Not Battery, Nuclear, or Thermal	Battery, Nuclear, Thermal
14	Improve Outdoor Air Quality*	Non-Emitting	Emitting
15	Improve Community Health*	Non-Emitting, Non-Toxic	Emitting & Potentially Toxic
16	Decommissioning Benefits	TBD	TBD
17	Potential Wildlife/Plant Community Impacts	Mitigation Measures Available	Mitigation Measures Unavailable

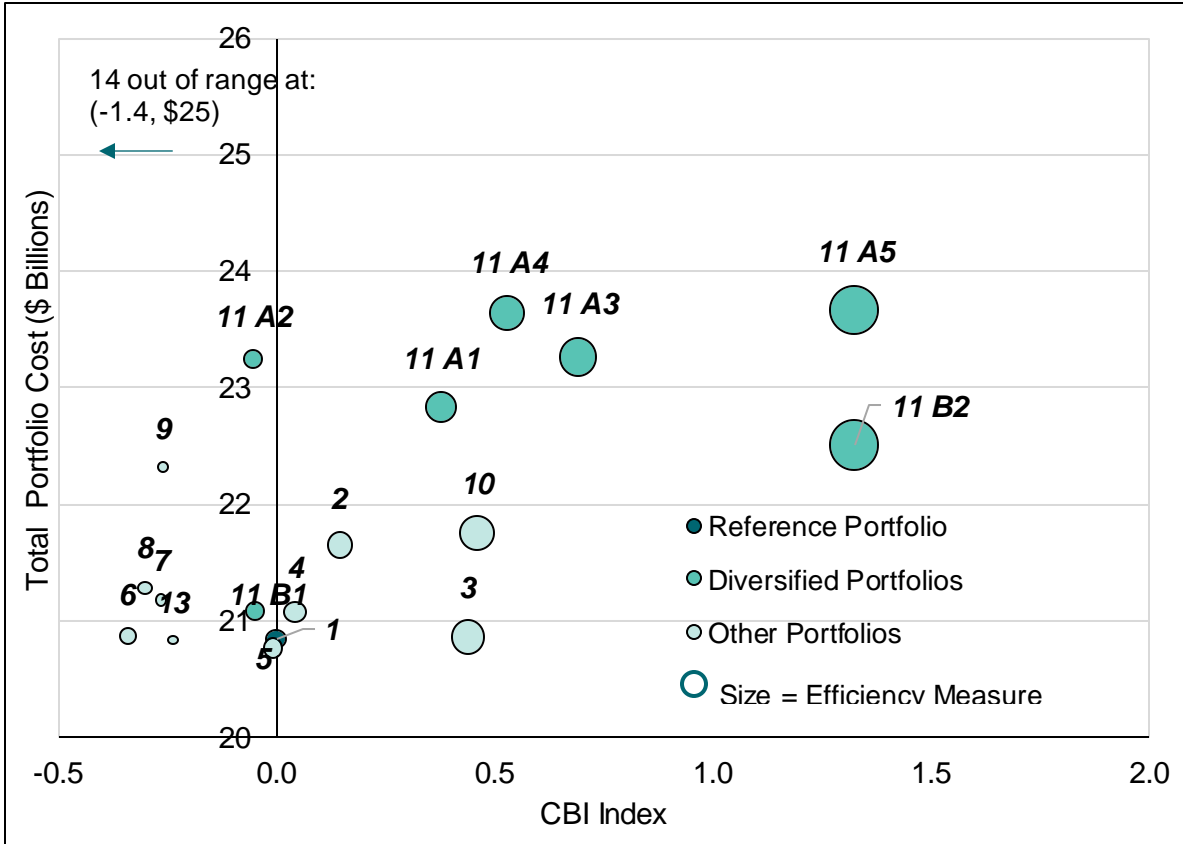
\* Denotes  
Customer  
Benefit Indicator

# Draft Equity Enabling Scores for the 2023 Electric Progress Report generic resources

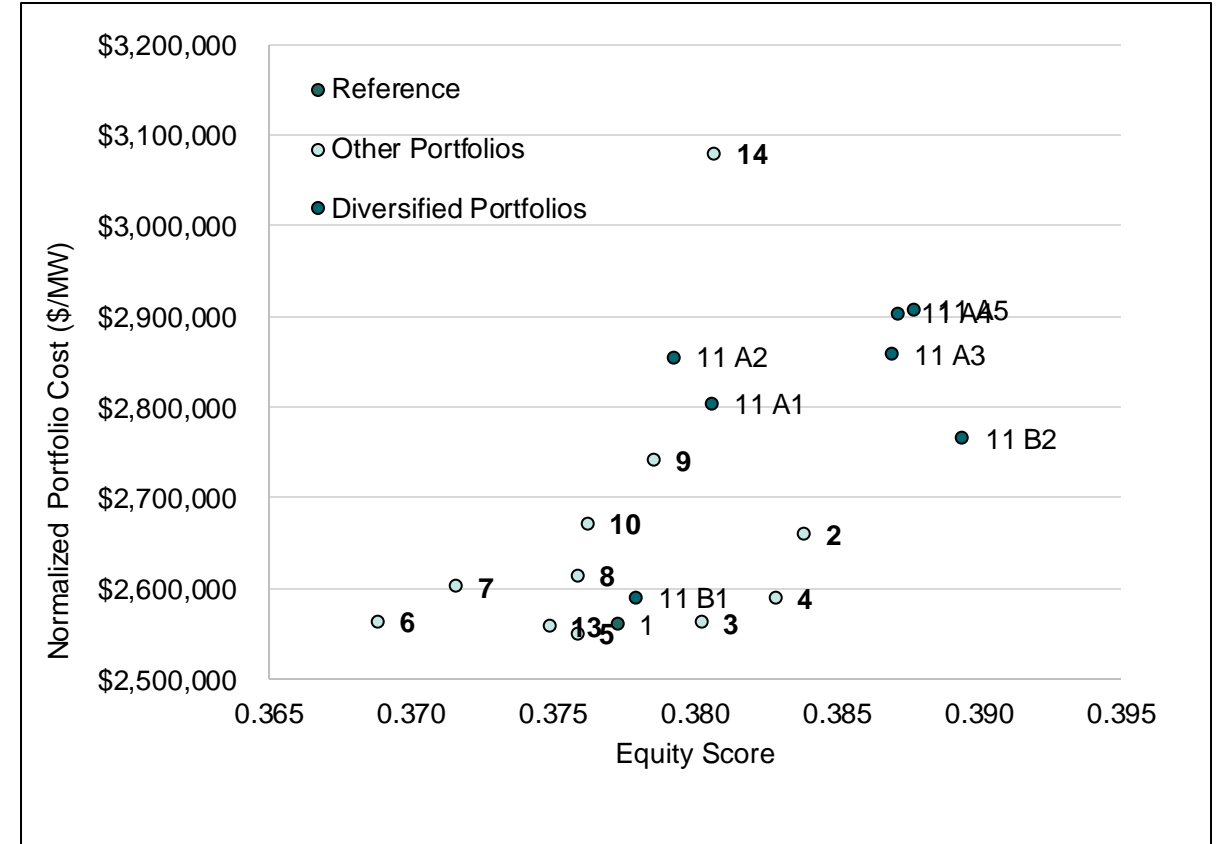


# Results comparison: 2023 EPR to 2025 IRP

2023 EPR

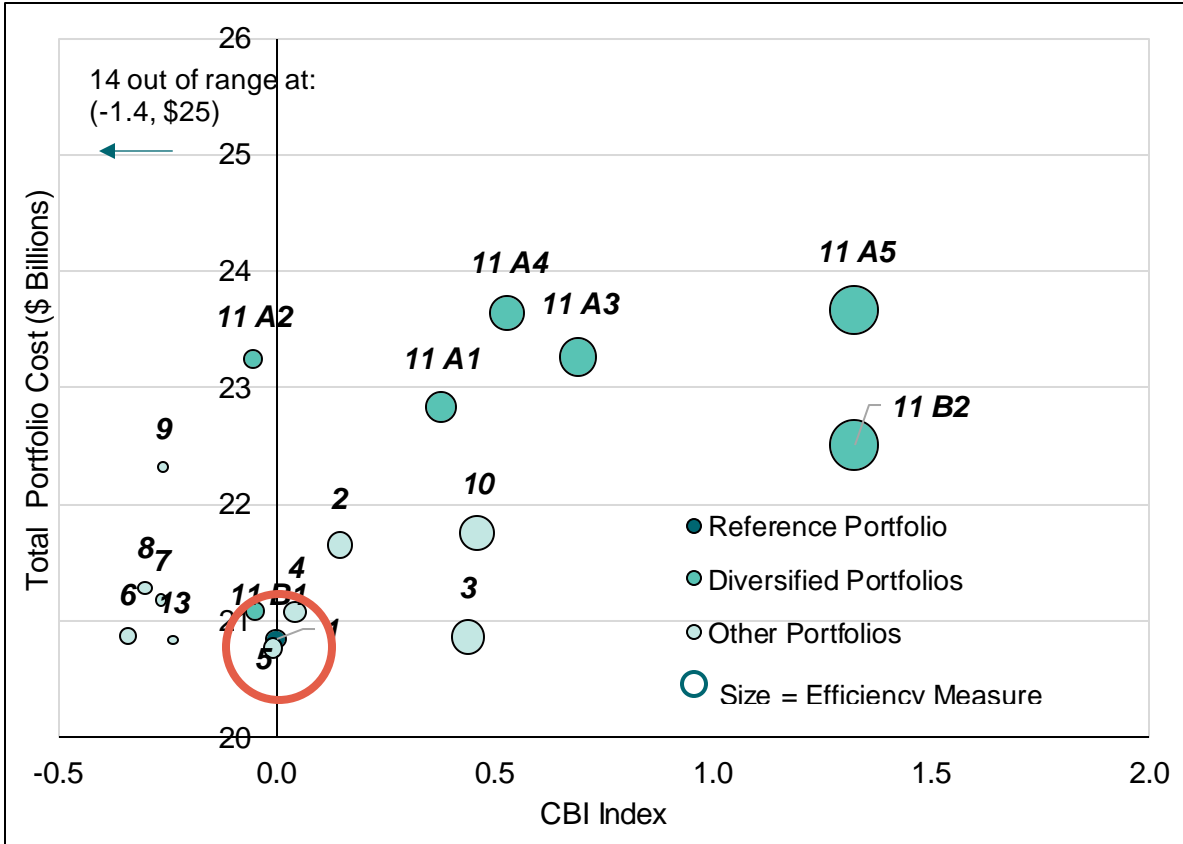


2025 IRP

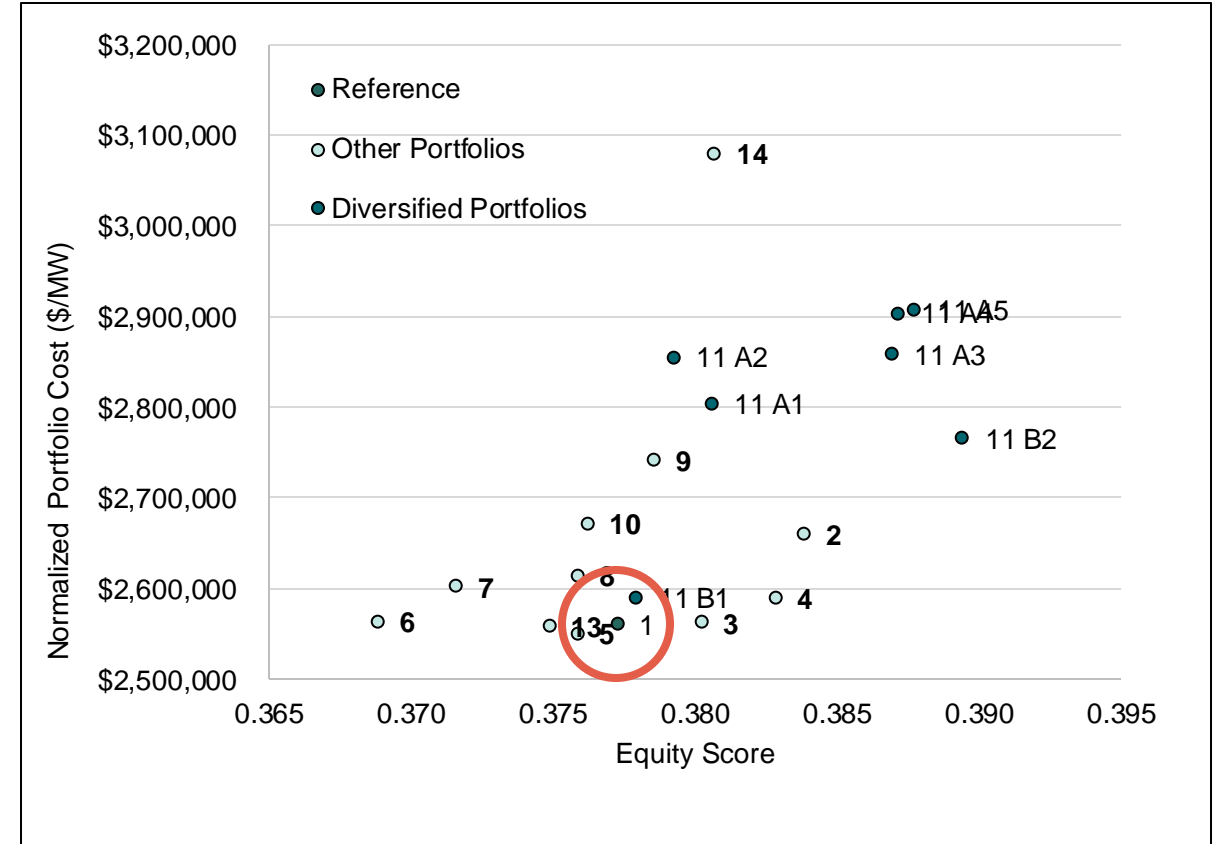


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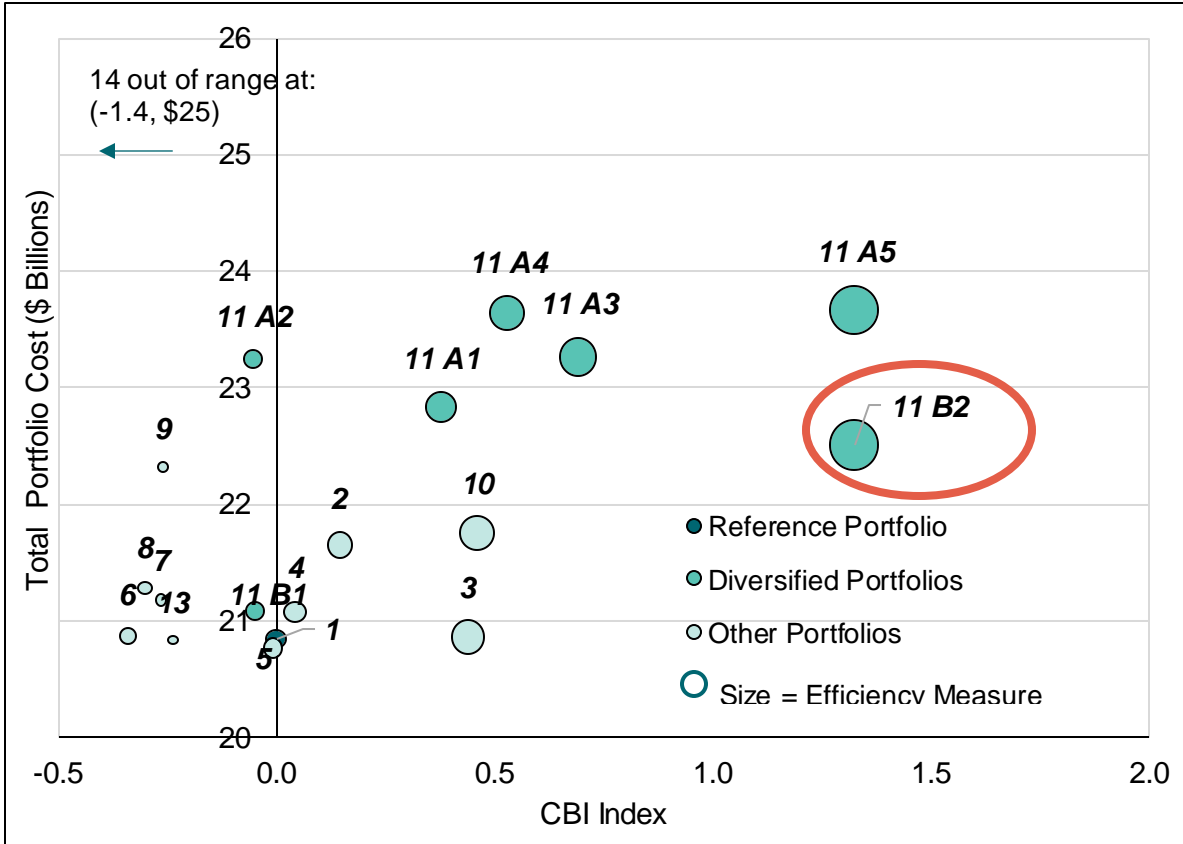
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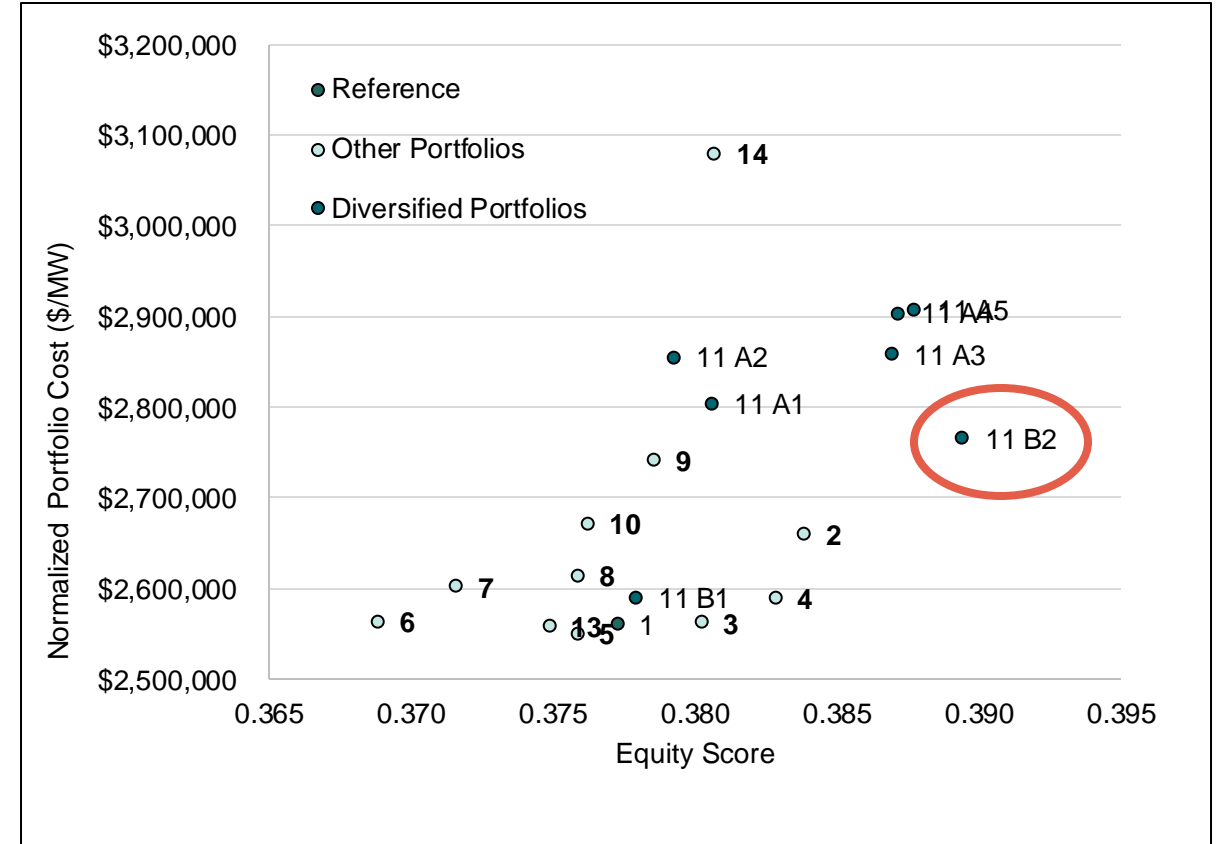
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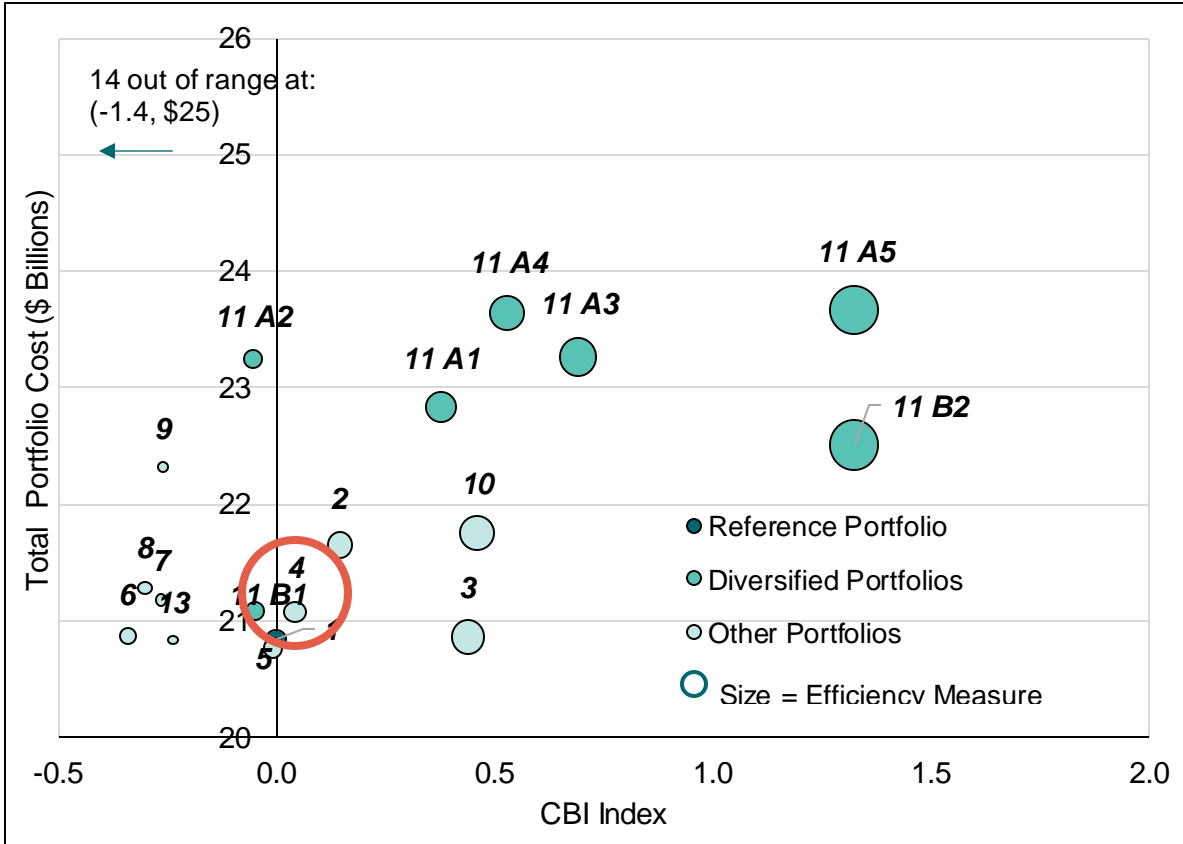
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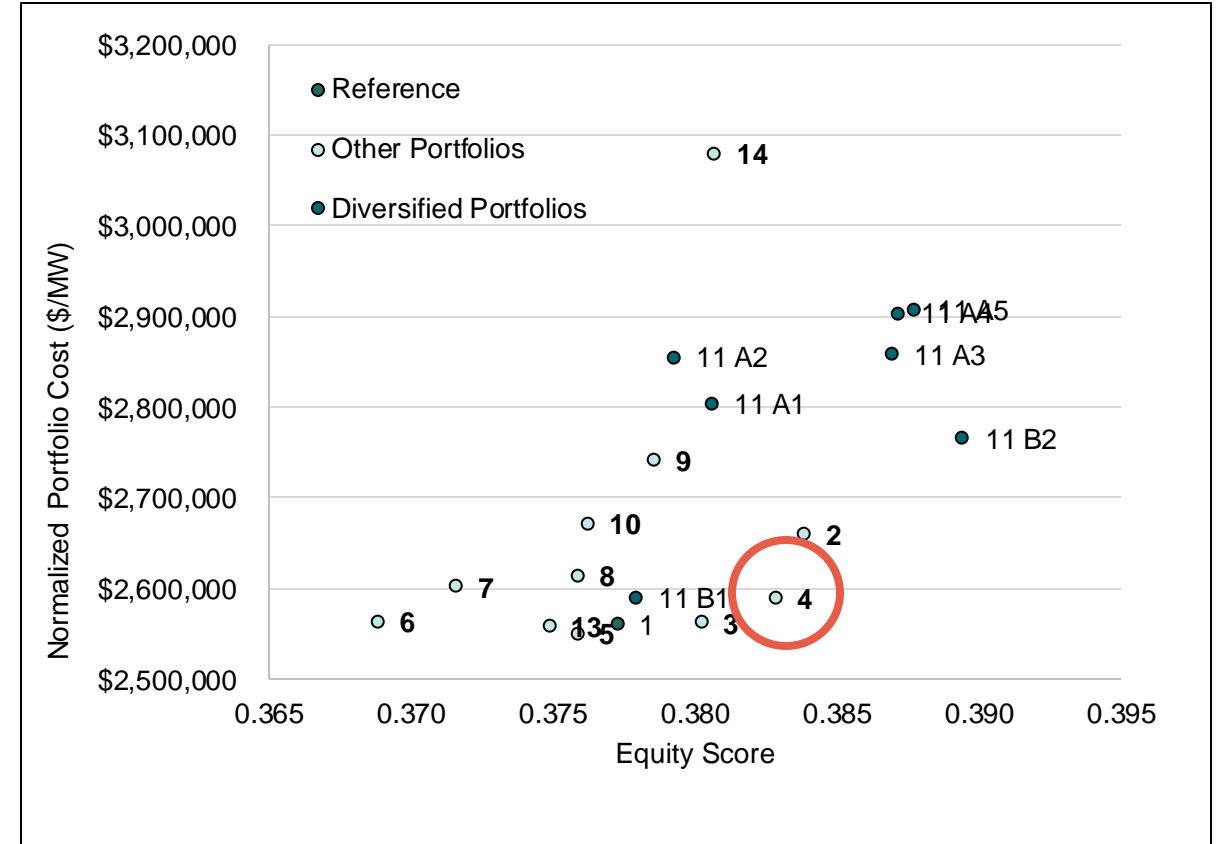
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# Results comparison: 2023 EPR to 2025 IRP

2023 EPR



2025 IRP





# Discussion

- **What do you think of the proposed improvements to the portfolio benefits analysis?**
- **Are there other considerations you would like to see included?**

# Maximum Customer Benefit Sensitivity

**Tyler Tobin**

Senior Energy Resource Planning Analyst



# Regulatory framework

The Maximum Customer Benefit sensitivity is set forth in:

**WAC 480-100-620 (10) (c):** At least one sensitivity must be a maximum customer benefit scenario. This sensitivity should model the maximum amount of customer benefits described in RCW 19.405.040(8) prior to balancing against other goals.



**RCW 19.405.040(8):** In complying with this section, an electric utility must, consistent with the requirements of RCW 19.280.030 and 19.405.140, ensure that all customers are benefiting from the transition to clean energy: Through the equitable distribution of energy and nonenergy benefits and reduction of burdens to vulnerable populations and highly impacted communities; long-term and short-term public health and environmental benefits and reduction of costs and risks; and energy security and resiliency.

# Benefits to maximize

Category	Metric
Energy Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve participation in clean energy programs 🏠 ⌚ ⚡</li> <li>Local energy service provided ⚡</li> </ul>
Non-energy Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improved home comfort 🏠</li> <li>Increase in quality and quantity of clean energy jobs 🏠 ⌚ ⚡</li> </ul>
Public Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improved community health 🏠 ⌚ ⚡</li> <li>Improved community safety 🏠 ⌚ ⚡</li> </ul>
Environmental Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduced GHG Emissions 🏠 ⌚ ⚡</li> <li>Reduced land use change 🏠 ⌚ ⚡</li> <li>Reduced noise exposure 🏠 ⌚ ⚡</li> <li>Improved outdoor air quality 🏠 ⌚ ⚡</li> <li>Reduced wildlife/plant community impacts 🏠 ⌚ ⚡</li> </ul>
Cost and Risk Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce energy cost burdens 🏠 ⌚</li> </ul>
Energy Security and Resiliency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decrease in frequency and duration of outages ⌚ ⚡</li> <li>Improved access to reliable clean energy ⚡</li> </ul>



Conservation



Demand Response



Distributed Solar and Storage



# Recommended sensitivity

## Maximize Distributed Energy Resources, Demand Response and Conservation

- Customer surveys suggest interest in local, distributed resources are desirable
- This sentiment is also reflected in the Portfolio Benefit Analysis, which scores distributed energy resources, demand response and Conservation higher than other resource groups
- What is maximized:
  - Distributed Energy Resources – full market potential of distributed energy resources as determined by National Renewable Energy Laboratory's Distributed Generation Market Demand (dGEN) model
  - Demand Response – select all demand response programs identified in 2025 IRP Conversation Potential and Demand Response Assessment (CPA)
  - Conservation – select highest cost conservation bundle from 2025 IRP CPA

# Discussion

- **What do you think of the proposed approach to the Maximum Customer Benefit Sensitivity?**
- **Are there other considerations or metrics we should consider?**

# Gas portfolio equity analysis

Hannah Wahl

Associate Energy Resource Planning Analyst, PSE

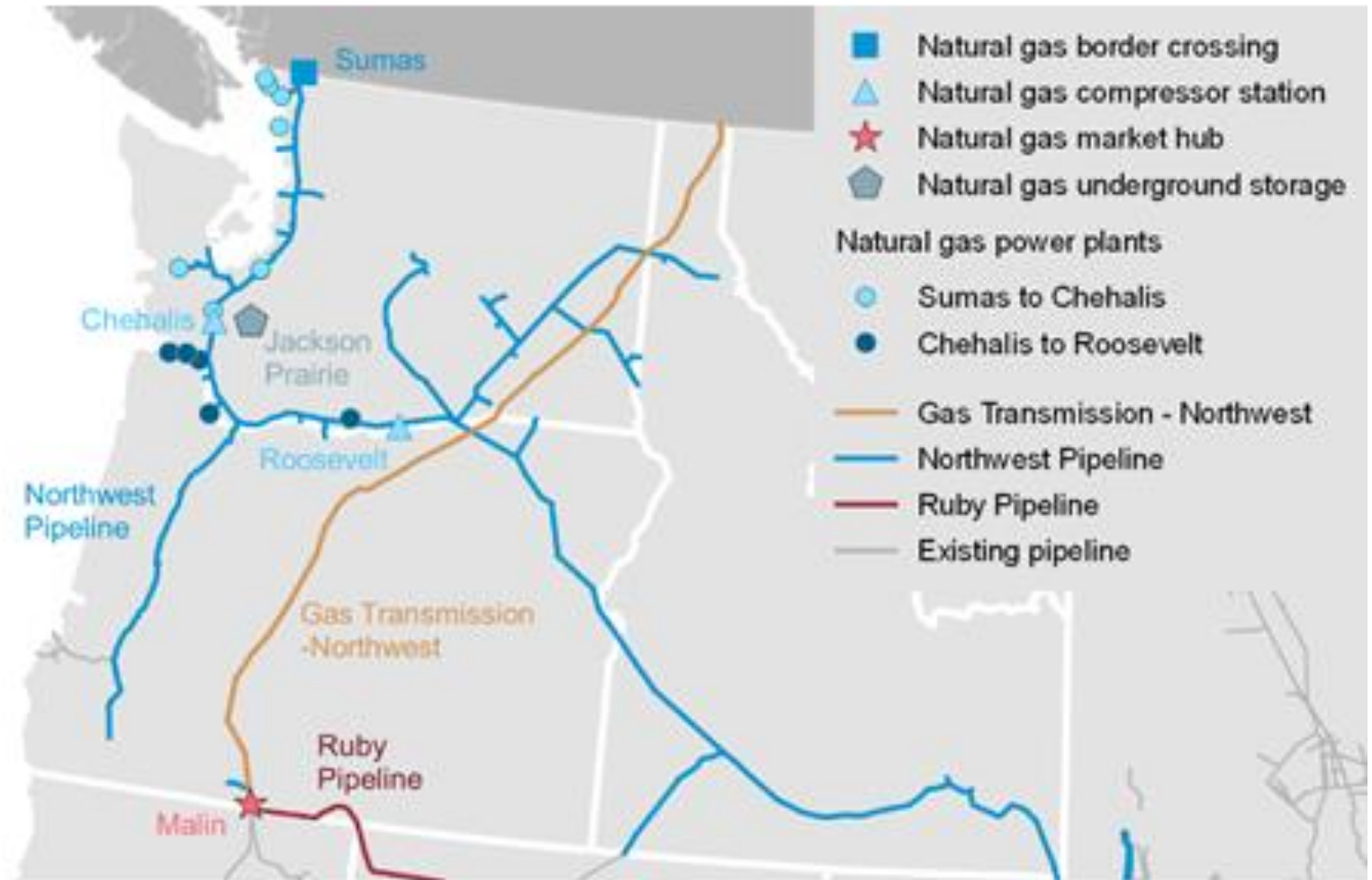


# Regional overview scope of the Gas IRP

## Natural gas infrastructure in the Pacific Northwest

- Evaluates the least cost approach for delivering gas
- Performs equity analysis of regional pipelines and availability of fuels

Learn more in our [November 6, 2023 Equity in Delivery System Planning public meeting](#)





# Resource alternatives in the Gas IRP



Energy Efficiency



Targeted  
Electrification

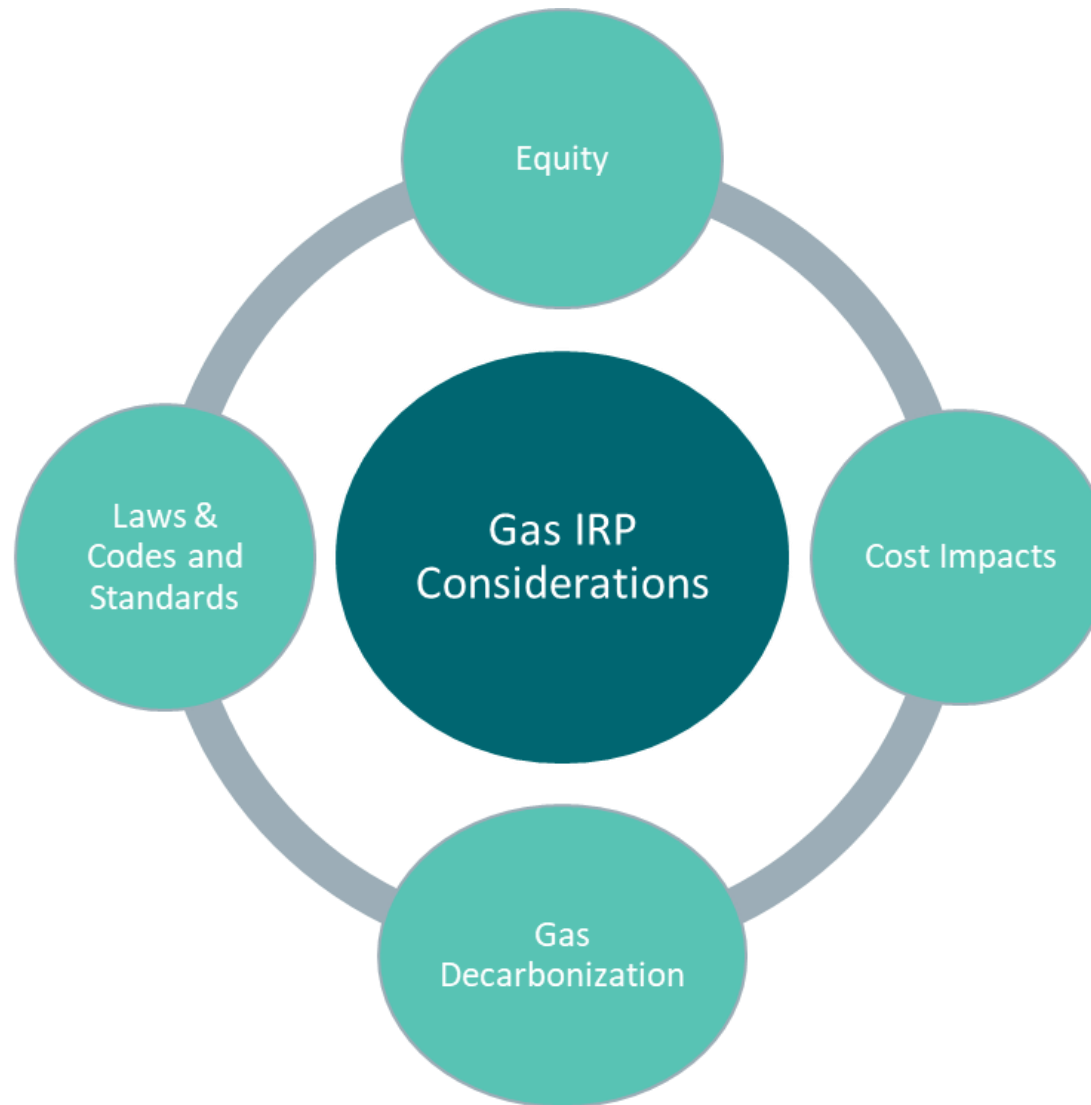


Alternative Fuels



Natural Gas

# Equity as input to IRP decision framework



# Gas Equity Scorecard Assessment

Distributive  
justice

- The Gas Equity Scorecard Assessment will predict how well a portfolio will enable distribution of burdens and benefits
- Same methodology as Electric Portfolio Benefit Analysis with different set of CBIs and resources
- Aligns with distribution system planning for consistency within PSE
- Trackable across future IRPs



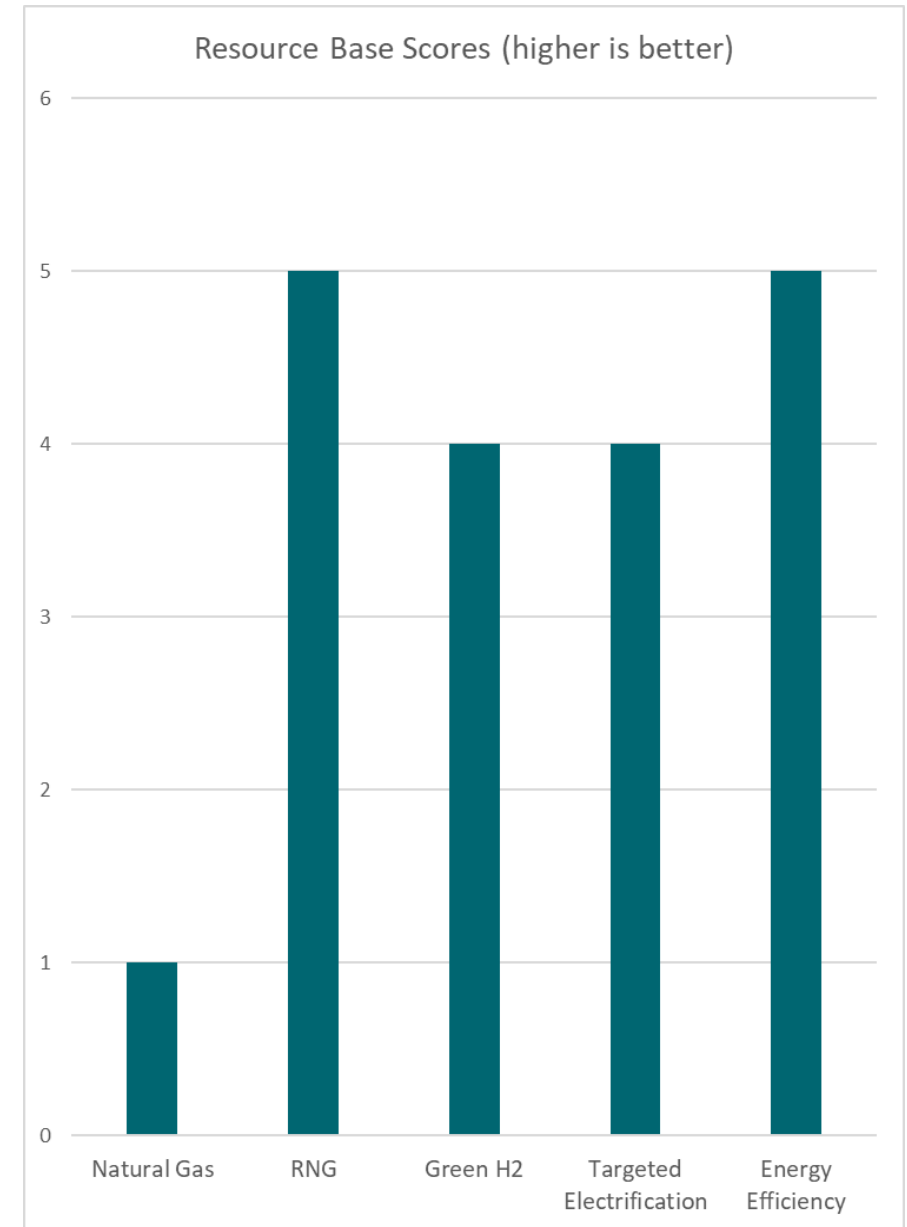
# Customer Benefit Indicators

CETA category	Indicator	Metric
<b>Energy Benefits Non-energy Benefits Reduction of burdens</b>	Improved participation in clean energy programs from highly impacted communities and vulnerable populations	Number and percentage of participation in energy efficiency and electrification programs or services by PSE customers
<b>Non-energy Benefits</b>	Increase in Quality and quantity of clean energy jobs	Quantity of clean energy jobs available in the region
<b>Non-energy Benefits</b>	Improved home comfort	Dollar in net present value (NPV) for energy efficiency programs
<b>Environment</b>	Reduced Greenhouse gas emissions	Quantity of greenhouse gas emissions emitted by a resource
<b>Resilience</b>	Decrease frequency and duration of outages	Total system reliability
<b>Risk Reduction Energy Security</b>	Improved access to reliable, clean energy	Increase in reliable energy

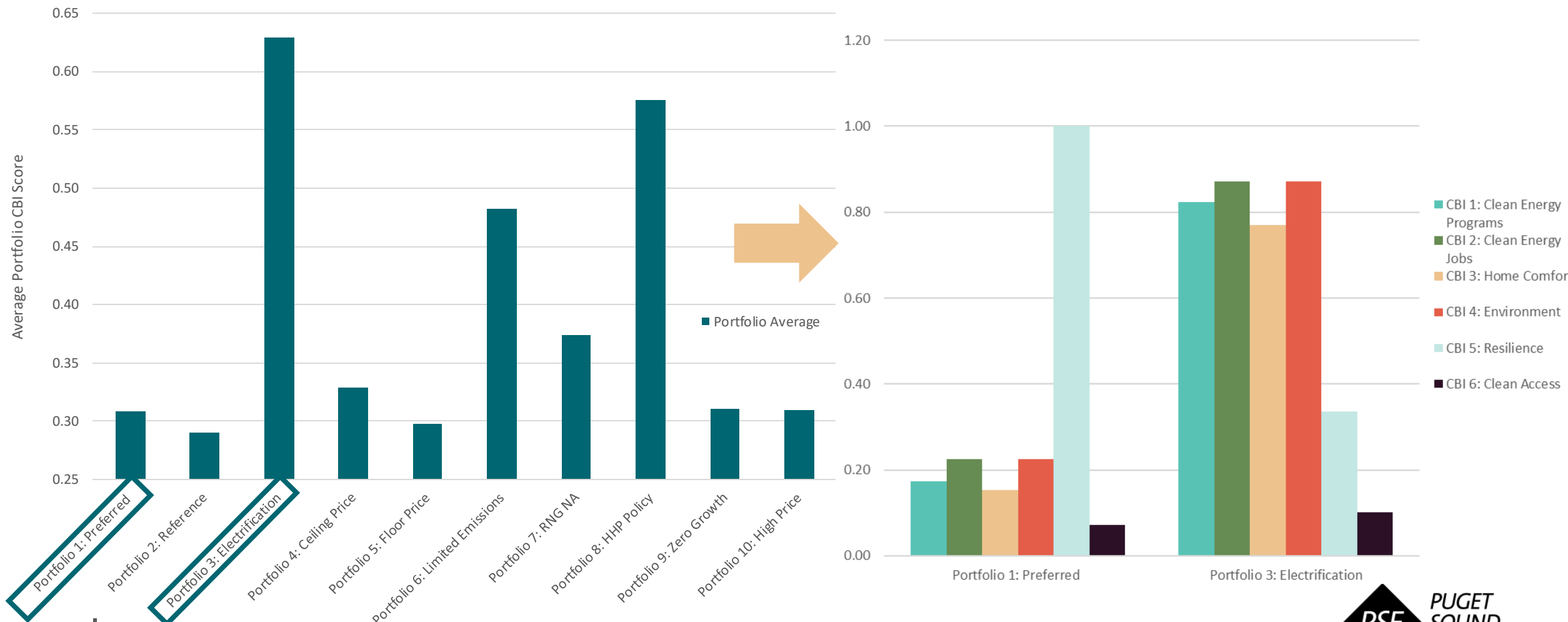
# Resource scoring

Indicator	Criteria Score = 1	Criteria Score = 0
Improved participation in clean energy programs from highly impacted communities and vulnerable populations	Energy Efficiency, Targeted Electrification, RNG	Natural Gas, Green H2
Increase in quality and quantity of clean energy jobs	RNG, Green H2, Targeted Electrification, Energy Efficiency	Natural Gas
Improved home comfort	Energy Efficiency, Targeted Electrification	Natural Gas, RNG, Green H2
Reduced Greenhouse gas emissions	RNG, Green H2, Targeted Electrification, Energy Efficiency	Natural Gas
Decrease frequency and duration of outages	Natural Gas, RNG, Energy Efficiency, Green H2	Targeted Electrification
Improved access to clean, reliable, energy	RNG, Green H2	Natural Gas, Targeted Electrification, Energy Efficiency

Note: Alternative Fuels consist of Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) and Green Hydrogen (Green H2)



# To Illustrate the potential results we'll look at the 2023 Gas IRP portfolios scores



# Example of how the 2023 Gas IRP portfolios indicator scores vs. cost could look



# Discussion

- **What do you think of the proposed approach for the gas portfolio equity analysis?**
- **Are there other considerations or metrics we should consider?**



# Next steps

**Sophie Glass, Triangle Associates**

June 12, 2024



# Upcoming activities

Date	Activity
June 19, 2024	<a href="#">Feedback form</a> closes for this webinar
July 17, 2024	RPAG meeting: Gas modeling process, scenarios, and resource alternatives



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# Appendix

# Acronyms

Acronym	Meaning
BDR	Bill discount rate
CBI	Customer benefit indicator
CCA	Climate Commitment Act
CEIP	Clean Energy Implementation Plan
CETA	Clean Energy Transformation Act
DER	Distributed Energy Resources
EAG	Equity Advisory Group
EPR	PSE's 2023 Electric Progress Report
HELP	Home Energy Lifeline Program
IAP2	International Association of Public Participation
IRA	Inflation Reduction Act
IRP	Integrated Resource Plan
NG	Natural gas
MW	Megawatt
MWh	Megawatt hour