



## **2010 ELECTRIC RESOURCE PLANNING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS**

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### **SUMMARY OF APRIL 26 and May 3 Agenda Planning Meetings**

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Tri-State hosted two meetings at its headquarters building in Westminster for the purpose of setting the meeting agenda for the Third Public Participation Meeting which will be held on Wednesday May 19<sup>th</sup>. The first agenda planning session was on Monday April 26<sup>th</sup> and the second on Monday May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The purpose of the Third Public Participation Meeting is for the public to provide information to Tri-State for its consideration as Tri-State develops its 20-year resource plan. Fred Stoffel, Tri-State's Energy Resources Strategy Coordinator, hosted and facilitated the meetings. The stated goal of the meetings was: "To finalize agenda topics, time slots and presenters for the May 19, 2010 Public Participation Meeting to provide Tri-State input regarding the development of its Electric Resource Plan/Integrated Resource Plan."

Approximately 15 people participated either in person or by conference phone in the planning meetings. The participants included representatives from the Governor's Energy Office, the Western Area Power Administration, Western Resource Advocates, Environmental Defense Fund, IntraWest, Colorado Independent Energy Association, the Southwest Energy Efficiency Project, Clean Energy Action, the Colorado Harvesting Energy Network, the High Country Energy Alliance, Midwest Wind Resources, Western Clean Energy Campaign, NTS Research Group, Ensemble Ventures LLC., and the Great Plains Alliance for Clean Energy.

After some discussion of agenda topics, Bruce Driver, representing Western Resource Advocates, agreed to take the lead in organizing the May 19<sup>th</sup> agenda by topics on behalf of the public participants. The agreed-upon topics are: 1) the Policy and Factual Context for the development of a resource plan, 2) Criteria for sound resource planning, 3) Demand-Side Management, 4) System Integration Issues, 5) Resource Costs and Performance Characteristics, 6) Modeling, 7) suggestions with respect to Tri-State's Action Plan and 8) Public Comment from the Great Plains Alliance, the High Country Energy Alliance and others.

Following the first meeting, a draft agenda for the May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting was circulated among the participants. This draft agenda was discussed at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and a Final Draft agenda was circulated by Mr. Driver on the afternoon of May 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Final Agenda for the May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting will be posted on Tri-State's Website on Monday May 10<sup>th</sup>. The May 19<sup>th</sup> Public Participation Meeting will be held at Tri-State's headquarters in Westminster, Colo. and is scheduled to run from 8:00 a.m. through 5:30 p.m. A template for PowerPoint presentations was sent to all meeting participants. The meeting will be carried live on the Web.