



# Avista Utilities 2021 Clean Energy Implementation Plan

*Q2 Public Participation Meeting*

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# Reminders

- This meeting is being recorded and will be posted to our Clean Energy website. [www.myavista.com/ceta](http://www.myavista.com/ceta)
- Please remember to turn off cameras and mute microphones.
- Utilize the chat box to ask any questions throughout the presentation. We will be summarizing and addressing them after the presentation.

# Plan approved by WUTC June 16, 2022



# Equity in CETA

*“Equitable distribution” means a fair and just, but not necessarily equal, allocation intended to mitigate disparities in benefits and burdens, and based on current conditions, including existing legacy and cumulative impacts*

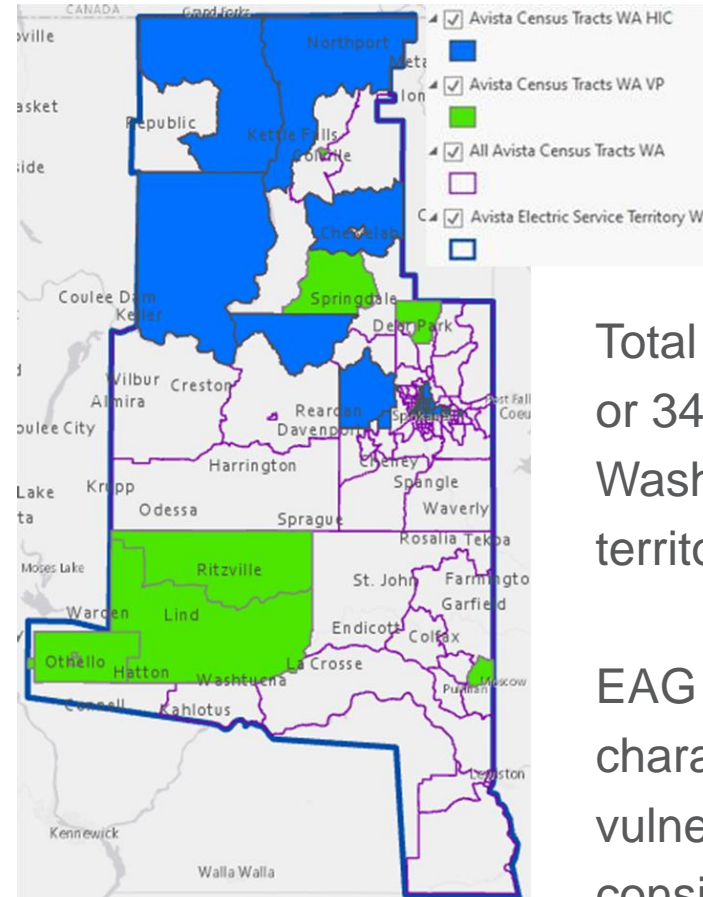
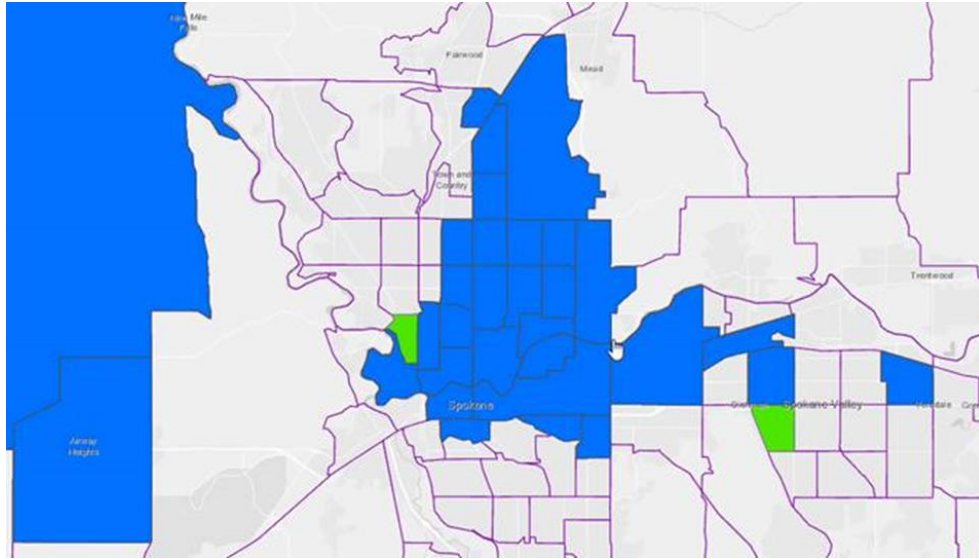
- The act of developing, strengthening, and supporting procedural and outcome fairness in systems, procedures, and resource distribution mechanisms to create equitable (not equal) opportunity for all people.
- Equity is distinct from equality which refers to everyone having the same treatment without accounting for differing needs or circumstances.
- **Equity has a focus on eliminating barriers that have prevented the full participation of historically and currently oppressed groups.**



The utility **must** consider and address:

- ✓ Language Barriers
- ✓ Cultural Barriers
- ✓ Economic Barriers

# Highly Impacted Communities and Vulnerable Populations (Named Communities)



- Highly Impacted Communities
  - Designated by DOH based on Environmental Health Disparities Map
  - 36 Census Tracts (25%)
  
- Vulnerable Populations
  - Socioeconomic and sensitive population areas 9 or higher
  - 12 Census Tracts (9%)

Total represents 48 areas or 34% of total Avista Washington service territory.

EAG identified additional characteristics for vulnerable populations considered as part of CBI development.

# Public Participation Groups and Process

**Equity is at the core of the transition to clean energy.** Company must ensure the “equitable distribution of energy and nonenergy benefits and reductions of burdens to vulnerable populations and highly impacted communities” in development of CEIP.

## Benefits/Barriers “Equity Areas”

- Benefits of Clean Energy
- Ensure benefits are equitably distributed
- Barriers to participation

## Identify Named Communities

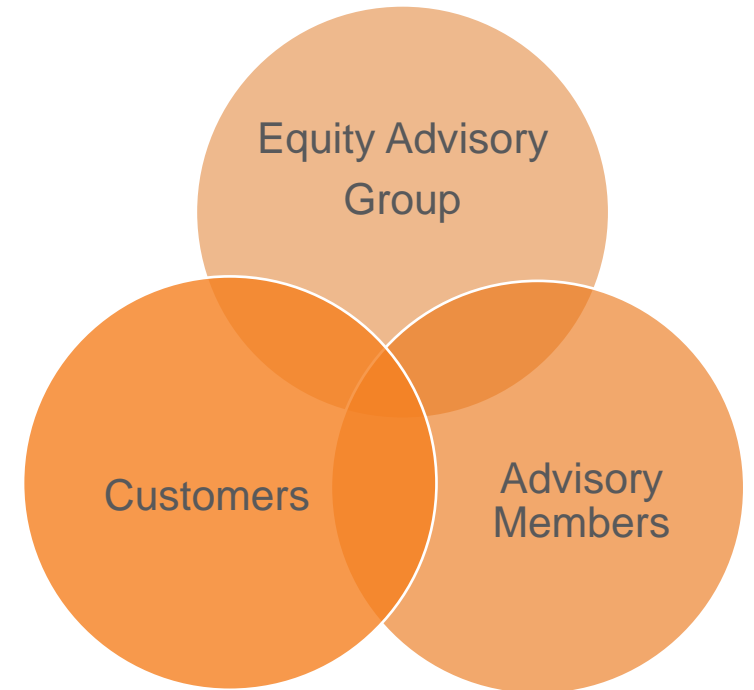
- Who is likely to be most impacted?
- Highly Impacted Communities
- Vulnerable Populations

## Customer Benefit Indicators

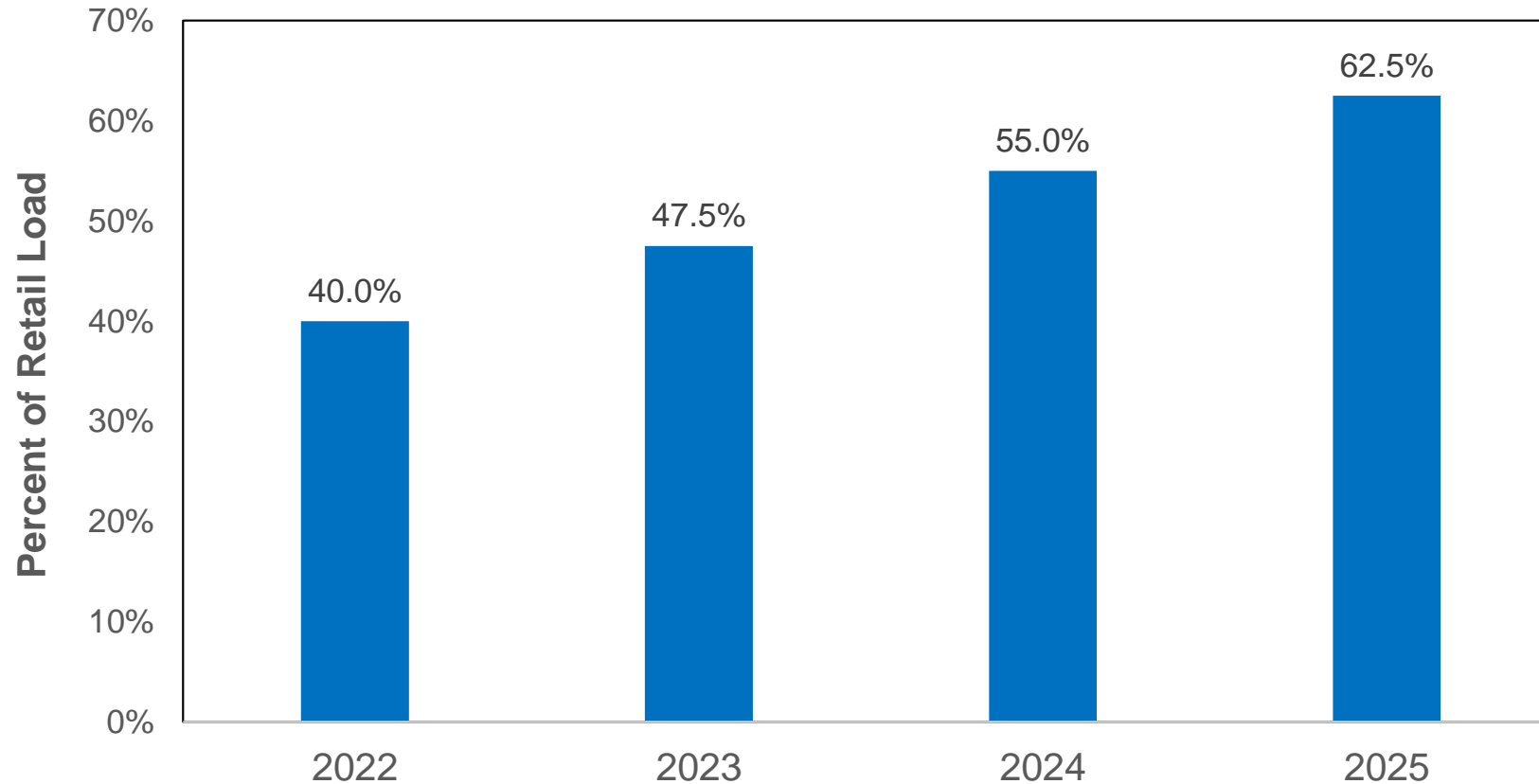
- Ensure customers are receiving benefits of clean energy
- Measurements for accountability

## Specific Actions – What specific steps will Avista take?

- Clean Energy resources – ensure CBIs are attributes mix of renewable, energy efficiency, demand response



# Renewable Energy Targets



- By 2030, Avista must provide Washington customers with 100% clean energy
- 20% of clean energy target can be met with unbundled RECs (renewable energy certificates)
- Targets minimize rate impacts as we transition to 100% carbon neutral by 2030



# Customer Benefit Indicators – Avista Final CEIP

**Customer Benefit Indicator (CBI)** – is an attribute, either quantitative or qualitative of a resource or related distribution investment associated with customer benefits

## Statutory Benefit Areas



ENERGY



NON-ENERGY



REDUCTION IN  
BURDEN



ENVIRONMENT



PUBLIC  
HEALTH



ENERGY  
SECURITY



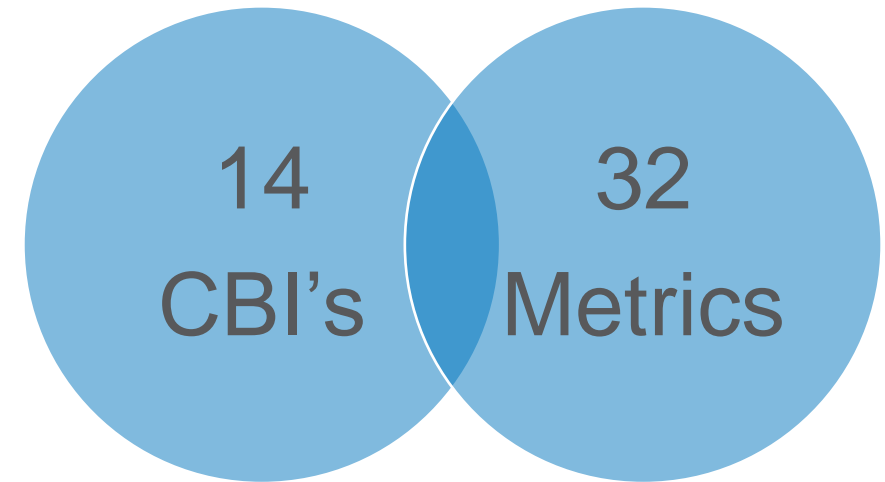
ENERGY  
RESILIENCY



REDUCTION IN  
COST



REDUCTION OF  
RISK



Several CBIs crossed over into multiple Statutory Benefit Areas

# Customer Benefit Indicators

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## Affordability

Participation in Company Programs  
Number of Households with high energy burden (>6%)

## Environmental

Greenhouse Gas Emissions  
Outdoor Air Quality

## Energy Resiliency & Security

Energy Availability  
Generation Location  
Residential Arrearages & Disconnections for Nonpayment

## Access

Outreach and Communication  
Transportation Electrification

## Public Health

Employee diversity  
Supplier diversity  
Indoor Air Quality

## Community Development

Named Community Clean Energy  
Investment in Named Communities

CBIs are measurement tools for evaluating progress towards ensuring customers are benefitting from the transition to clean energy.

Areas considered:

- ✓ Affordability
- ✓ Access to Clean Energy
- ✓ Environment and Public Health
- ✓ Energy Security and Resiliency
- ✓ Community and Economic Development

# Implementation Period: 2022 to 2025



## Renewable Resources

Meet Renewable Energy Goals through use of Renewable Energy Credits from existing resources

Avista recently signed a long-term power purchase for 5%/10% share of Chelan PUD's Rocky Reach/Rock Island Projects



## Energy Efficiency

Save ~51,076 MWh each year through existing and new customer programs, programs will reduce customer demand by 3.5% by 2025.



## Demand Response

Avista recently signed an agreement for 30 MW reduction with an Industrial customer.

Time of Use Rate and Peak Time Rebate pilot begins in 2023

Water Heating Control pilot may begin in 2024



## Other Company Initiatives

Transport Electrification Plan (TEP)

Supplier and Employee Diversity Efforts

Investments in Named Communities \$5 million

# Named Community Investment Fund

This Specific Action is dedicated to the equitable distribution of energy and non-energy benefits and reduction in burdens to Named Communities

The Company will limit funding to 1% or approximately \$5.0 million annually.

## 40% or up to \$2.0 million

- Supplement and support energy efficiency efforts targeted to Named Communities

## 20% or up to \$1.0 million

- Investments in distribution resiliency efforts for Named Communities

## 20% or up to \$1.0 million

- Incentives or grants to develop projects by local customers or third parties

## 10% or up to \$500,000

- Used for newly developed targeted outreach and engagement efforts specifically for Named Communities.

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- Used for other projects, programs or initiatives specific to Named Communities



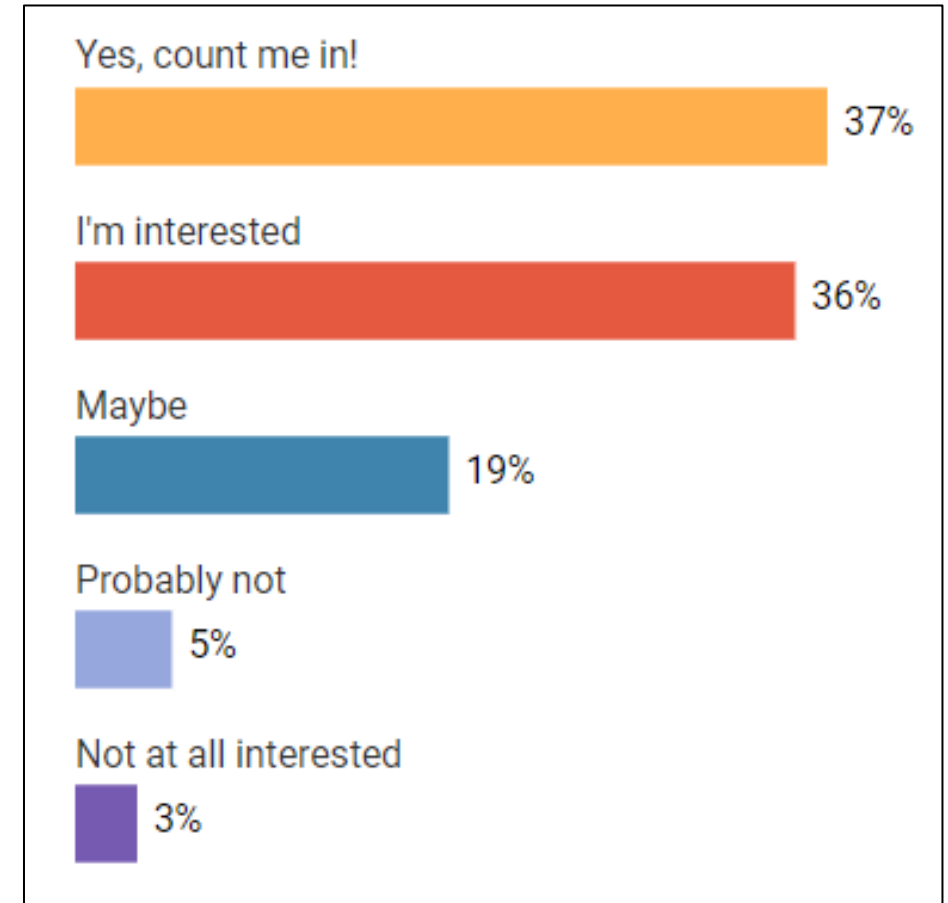
# Public Participation

- Ongoing feedback, awareness and participation from our customers is essential in implementing our Clean Energy Plan



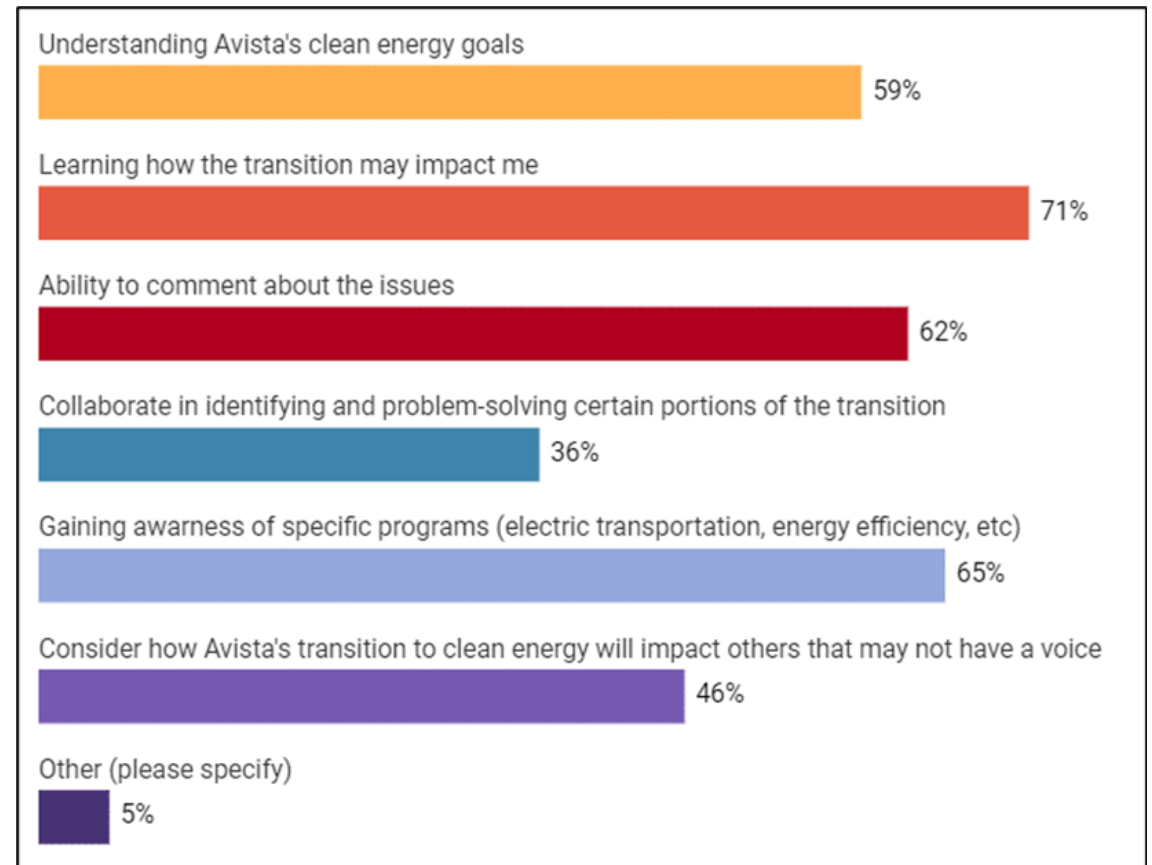
# Public Participation Survey

- Level of Interest in Learning the Ways Avista is Supporting a Cleaner Energy Future.



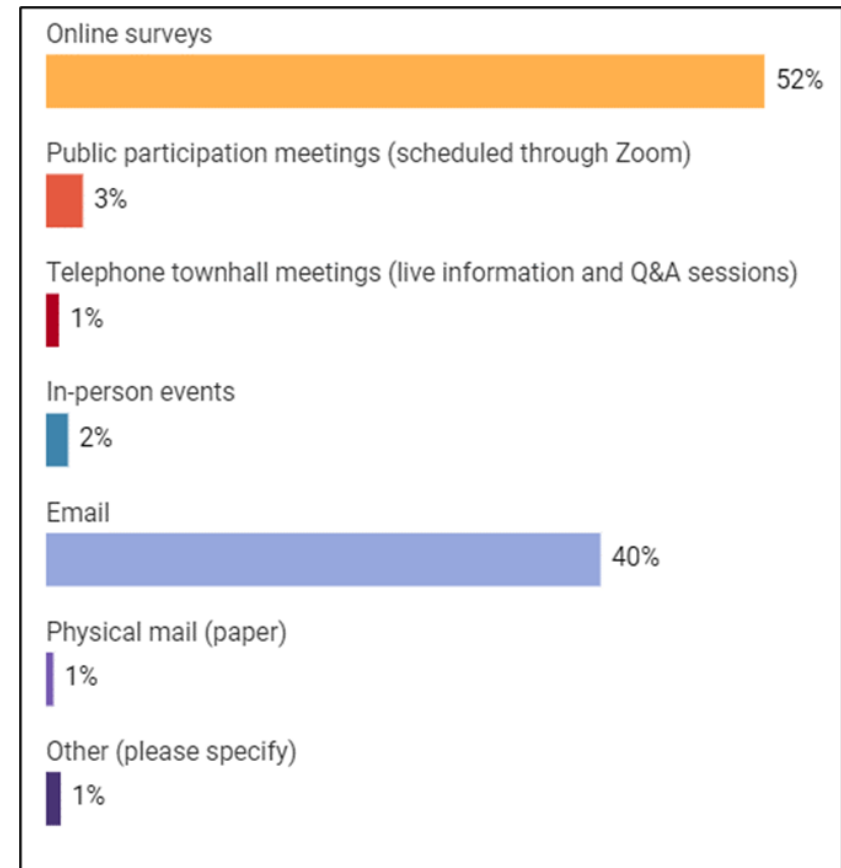
# Public Participation Survey

What interests you about being involved in the participation process? Select all that apply.



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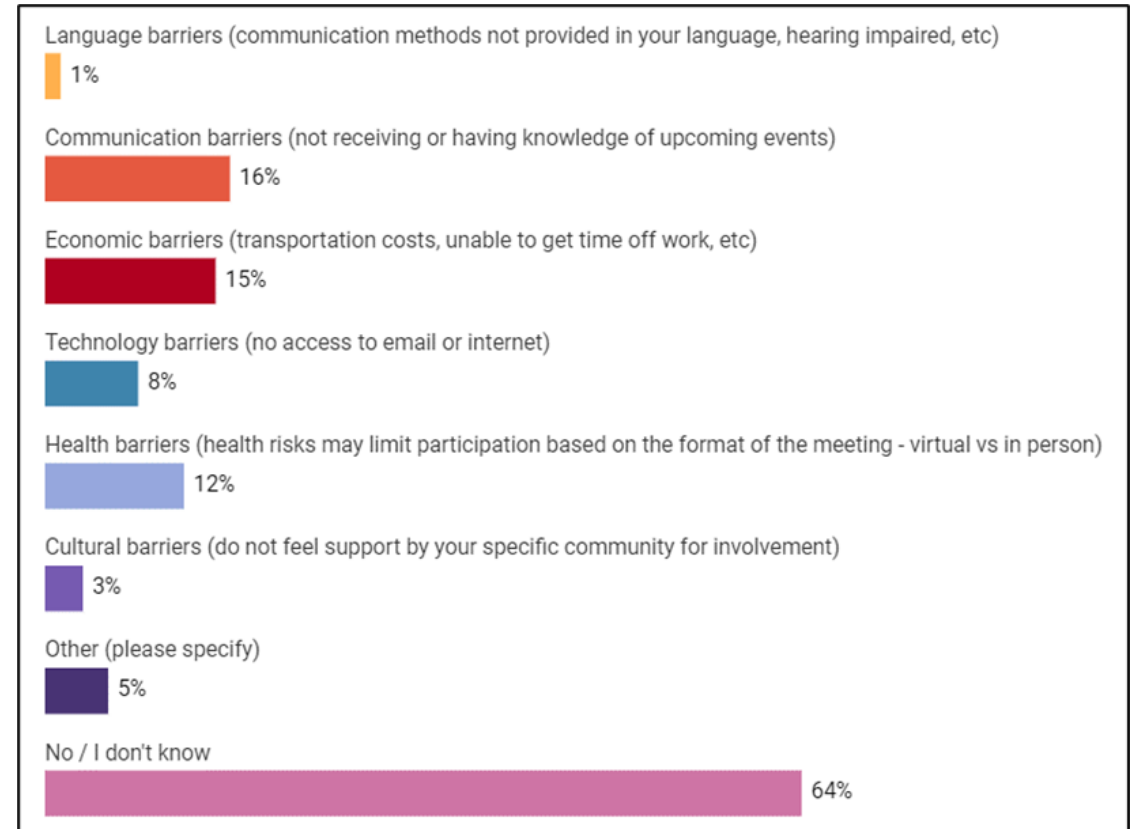
How would you prefer to provide your feedback to Avista?





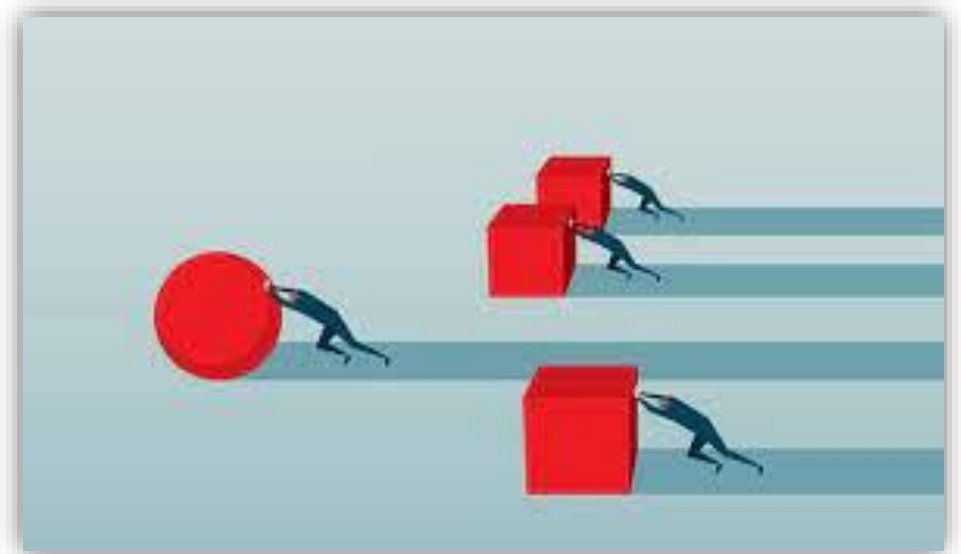
# Public Participation Survey

- Thinking about your friends and family, are you aware of any barriers to participation that would limit them providing input?



# Public Participation

- Avista is committed to identifying additional methods to engage customers and develop additional means to address barriers to participation.



# Next Steps

- Implementation
- Continued Public Participation and customer engagement
- Annual Clean Energy Progress Report July 1, 2023
- Biennial CEIP Update November 1, 2023

# We want to hear from you

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- Email: [CETA@avistacorp.com](mailto:CETA@avistacorp.com)

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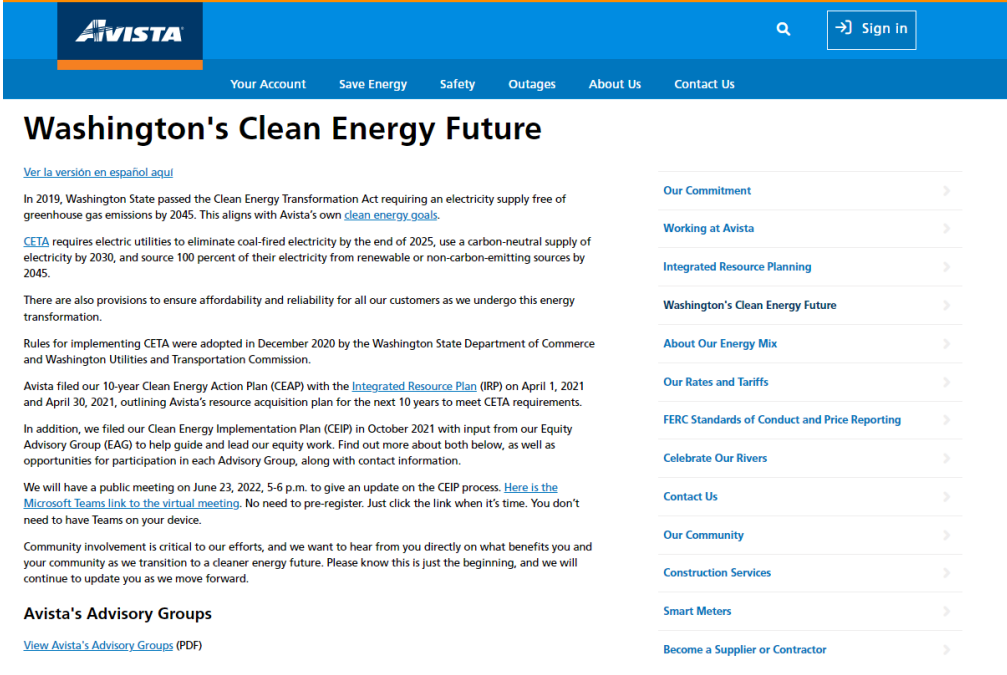
**Hearing impaired:**

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**Our phone lines are open:**

7:00 am - 7:00 pm Monday - Friday

9:00 am - 5:00 pm on Saturday



The screenshot shows the Avista website's header with the logo and navigation links: "Your Account", "Save Energy", "Safety", "Outages", "About Us", and "Contact Us". The main heading is "Washington's Clean Energy Future". Below the heading, there is a link to a Spanish version and a paragraph explaining the Clean Energy Transformation Act. Further down, there are sections for "Rules for implementing CETA" and "Avista filed our 10-year Clean Energy Action Plan (CEAP)". A public meeting announcement is also present. On the right side, there is a vertical menu with links to "Our Commitment", "Working at Avista", "Integrated Resource Planning", "Washington's Clean Energy Future", "About Our Energy Mix", "Our Rates and Tariffs", "FERC Standards of Conduct and Price Reporting", "Celebrate Our Rivers", "Contact Us", "Our Community", "Construction Services", "Smart Meters", and "Become a Supplier or Contractor".

Thank you

