

# Equity Advisory Group – Equity Lens<br/>SessionMeeting Date:05/24/2024Time:7:30 am – 9:00 am

Location:

7:30 am – 9:00 am Zoom Meeting

#### Attendees:

Facilitator	Present	EAG Member	Member Organizations
Amber Lenhart		Clyde Abrahamson	Spokane Indian Housing Authority
Avista Team Member		Margee Chambers	Spokane Clean Air
Kelly Dengel	$\boxtimes$	Connie Kliewer	NEWESD101
Annette Brandon		Clair Trapp	Rural Resources
Dan Blazquez		Joe Reilly	SNAP
Amanda Ghering		KJ January	Spectrum
James Gall	$\boxtimes$	William von Bracht	Othello, school English as 2 <sup>nd</sup> language
Tamara Bradley		Michele Bennington	Community member at large
Ariana Barry	$\boxtimes$	Brook Beeler	Department of Ecology Eastern Region
		Jupiter McGee	Sunrise Spokane Affiliation (youth led) (Facebook)
	$\bowtie$	Vanessa Strange	Spokane Public Library
		Tami Dillion	Providence
		Latrice Williams	Community Member/ WA state board of Equity
		Cindy Kimmet	Takesa Village
		Carmen Groom	<u>SNAP</u>
		Sandra Childers	Rural Resources
		Jean Kindem	Aging & Long-Term Care of Eastern Washington
	$\boxtimes$	Karen Boone	Red Cross
		Guests	
		Paj Nandi	DH
		Jean Marie Dreyer	Public Council

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#### **EAG Equity Lens Session Meeting Notes**

#### I. Welcome & Introductions

#### **Overview of Meeting: Rules and Intent**

#### II. Partner Share

 DH Communications is contracting with Avista pertaining to customer communication/engagement efforts. We have a short survey for this team, will take approximately 12-15 minutes and hoping to have the survey completed by the EAG no later than Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of May.

## III. CEIP/IRP Overview and Timeline

Reviewed CETA law (Senate Bill 5116)

• All Washington electric utilities must reach 100% clean energy supply by 2045

2025 - Coal-Free Washington State

2030 - Greenhouse Gas Neutral

2045 - 100% Non-Emitting



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#### **Reviewed Future Planning steps**

#### **Future Planning**

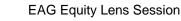


Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) – Every 4 years Due: January 2025

Clean Energy Action Plan (CEAP) – Every 4 years Due: January 2025

Clean Energy Implementation Plan (CEIP) – Every 4 Years Due: November 2025, for 2026-2029 period Integrated Resource Plan Clean Energy Action Plan Clean Energy Implementation Plan

Reviewed 14 current Customer Benefit Indicators Reviewed detail over of what's next for CBI discussions





#### IV. April EAG Session Recap and New CBI Brainstorming

**Discussion**: Reviewed potential topics for new CBIs such as new energy resources, reducing energy use inn homes through pilots and energy efficiency programs, then named communities investment fund and public participation.

# **Reminder:** April 2024 In-Person EAG Meeting Agenda

- High-level review of Clean Energy Implementation Plan targets and tracking of customer benefit indicators
- Group discussion on possible impacts of the Clean Energy Implementation Plan especially among named communities to identify additional customer benefit indicators



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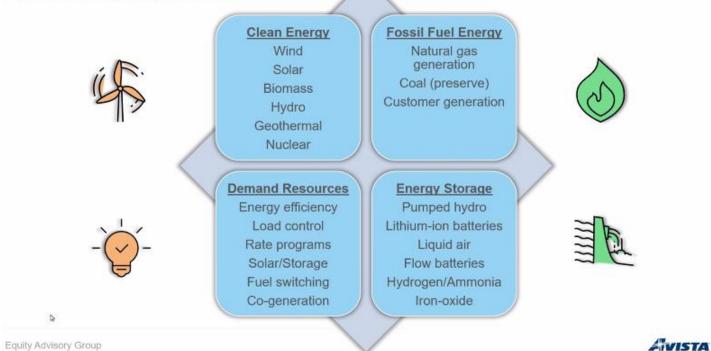
#### April 2024 In-Person EAG Meeting Discussion Summary

- Brainstorming of possible impacts and CBIs
  - New energy resources
  - Energy efficiency and programs
  - Demand response pilots
  - Names Communities Investment Fund
  - Public Participation
- · Opportunities for collaboration



Reviewed Avista's Energy Resources to meet energy demands of the community and potential resources into the future.





**Member:** Fossil fuel energy and clean energy terms may be common for some it is not for all and it is hard. I do understand it a little more but to be able to really weigh in it would be great if we had a chance to see those terms and definitions on paper before we have a meeting so we can have the information before the meeting so we can really have time to think about it

**Facilitator:** Thank you for your comments, I agree and don't want to give anyone homework or extra work or become a technical expert, but we do want you all to feel comfortable enough to be part of the conversation. We may be creating a document; we will discuss after the meeting.

Company: Check out the videos here to learn more About Our Energy Mix (myavista.com)

#### V. CBI Discussion

CBI Exercise with Miro board with what CBIs already are existing Reviewed CBIs as discussed in April EAG Equity Lens, in person session. How can energy resources impact Named Communities?

We did not get a chance to discuss this in Wednesday session, our thoughts are to send out a terms sheet and a survey to obtain your thoughts on ways new resources can affect customers and communities beyond what has already been identified that way we can capture your thoughts.

**Member**: Public participation, going into schools, I think that was a great idea because you get the young kids started on learning how to save energy etc.,

Facilitator: We will create a new sticky note for that.

**Member**: I like that we can think of these measures at iterative and flexible and can be changed if it is not measuring the right things to make sure they measures are meaningful.

#### VI. Your Support Team and Next Meeting

- Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday June 18<sup>th</sup> instead of Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> this month and Friday June 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Please sign up for our quarterly newsletter if you have not already and we hope to see you all in June
- Survey link here for Avista's clean energy survey: <u>Full survey is here: Clean Energy</u> <u>Implementation Plan: Annual Customer Survey 2024 (research.net)</u>

Resource Link	Description
Washington's Clean Energy Future	Avista page for CETA related activities
Clean Energy Transformation Act	Clean Energy Transformation Act - Washington State Department of Commerce
Chapter 19.405 RCW	Laws and Regulations: Revised Code of Washington Investor-owned utilities
Chapter 480-100 WAC	Laws and Regulations: Washington Administrative Code Investor-owned utilities
WA Energy Strategy	Washington State Energy Strategy
CETA Overview	CETA overview and interim assessment

#### VII. Additional Resources