|  | WestConnect Tariff | Task Force Proposal | Forward to TTF for Review? |
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| Projects eligible for competitive solicitation | All projects selected for the purposes of cost allocation in the regional plan. (provided the selection process does not violate applicable law) | Same as tariff | No |
| Design RFP or Construction RFP | Not stated | Construction, but may contain design elements | No |
| Pre-qualification required? | Yes. Biennial window. Must recertify annually. | Same as tariff; May revisit pre-qualification window | No |
| Selection process outline with timeline | General steps:1. Request for interest
2. Request for proposals
3. Review of proposals at the direction of the PMC with involvement from beneficiaries
4. PMC selects a developer

No timeline stated | Process outline under discussionTimeline to be developed; Anticipate process duration 6 months-1 year | TBD |
| Membership Requirements (i.e. eligibility to respond to RFPs) | Only Eligible Developers who respond to the RFI may respond to the RFP; Must be (or plan to become) a member of WestConnect to submit for pre-qualification | Same as tariff | No |
| Criteria used to make selection | Some general criteria in tariff, but not definitive or all inclusive | For future discussionTask Force comments from 5/25: need for clear, transparent criteria to understand outcome; clear/thorough communication of evaluation results (e.g. CAISO reports); qualitative and quantitative criteria; key selection criteria | TBD |
| Selection based on quantitative or qualitative assessment | Not stated  | For future discussionTask Force comments from 5/25: Preference toward qualitative and quantitative | TBD |
| Planning credit | Not stated | For future discussion/future strawman | TBD |
| Opportunity for collaboration among bidders? | Not stated | For future discussionTask Force comments from 5/25: develop strawman – consider opening an annual qualification window, or at least 1 respondent must be an Eligible Developer (i.e. successful pre-qualification) | TBD |
| Who makes selection | PMC | For future discussionTask Force comments from 5/25: group to consider recommendation coming from a selection team; consider other ways to make it more independent (independent selection team, PMC members recuse themselves to avoid COI); engage McGuire Woods | TBD |
| Notifications and opportunities to cure deficiencies | Within 60 days of developer selection PMC will post document explaining why developer(s) were/were not selected. Opportunity to cure deficiencies not stated. | For future discussionTask Force comments from 5/25: Process gap - consider adding language to the tariff allowing for opportunity to cure deficiencies.  | TBD |
| Opportunity to present proposal in person and address questions | Not stated | For future discussionTask Force comments from 5/25: Would be good to get maximum information; pros: data sharing, open process; cons: possible anti-trust concerns | TBD |
| Application Fees | Not stated | For future discussionTask Force comments from 5/25: Establish a fee; cost-based, deposit, etc.? | TBD |
| References | Xcel Tariff Section VI.B.9. Selection of a Developer for sponsored and unsponsored Projects |  |  |