



COLORADO NEW ENERGY ECONOMY: THE PATH FOWARD

Electric Transmission
How Do We Get
Power to the People

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Transmission Expansion: Reasons

- Growth: economy/population energy usage
- RPS programs
- Renewable energy zones
- Reliability
- Congestion
- Costs

Challenges: Policy Issues

- Long lead times
- Large capital investments
- Regional planning and coordination
- Rate design

Long Lead Times

- Goal
- CPCN process
- IRP rules

Large Capital Investments

- Goal
- Cost recovery
- Underutilized assets
- Incentives
- Tensions

Regional Planning & Coordination

- Goal
- Substantive issues
- Meaningful processes

Rate Design

- Demand Side
- Incentives for customers
- Energy efficiency/conservation



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