

IPR Follow Up Question – Energy Efficiency Workshops

Slide 5 of the posted Energy Efficiency Workshop deck, if you look at the slide, conservation infrastructure is kind of flat and so is conservation purchases. FY18/FY19 went up quite a bit and purchases went down quite a bit. On the surface seems like less bang for the buck here. What is happening?

Conservation infrastructure and conservation budgets have been relatively flat since FY 18, see table below for details. Actual conservation infrastructure spend in the BP-18 rate period was lower than expected primarily due to BPA staffing constraints. Conservation purchases are largely dedicated to Energy Efficiency Incentive budget which utility customers can deploy in either year of the rate period. The modest decrease from BP-18 to BP-20 reflects an early overachievement toward 7th Power Plan goals in the BP-18.

Program Area	Rate Case		Rate Case		Proposed IPR	
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Conservation Infrastructure	\$27,148,552	\$27,282,626	\$27,295,703	\$27,295,703	\$27,300,000	\$27,300,000
Conservation Purchases	\$71,785,000	\$71,785,000	\$67,000,000	\$67,000,000	\$67,356,800	\$67,356,800

BPA continues to see value from these investments, even as we shift to acquire energy savings that are costlier, but yield higher benefits and better align with BPA’s Resource Program needs.