

Key Points Before Delving into the Cost Study

- Caution against comparing PacifiCorp costs with other utility studies
 - No industry-standard study design yet
 - Different cost components incorporated in studies
 - Different modeling approaches and tools applied
 - Study vintage: costing methodologies and understanding of wind impacts evolving rapidly as utilities gain operating experience
 - Utility system differences
 - Study assumptions (e.g., transmission sufficiency, wind location diversity, regional coordination, wind forecast improvement expectations)
 - Conservative vs. optimistic bias