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MEMORANDUM

TO: Power Committee

FROM: Terry Morlan

SUBJECT: Brief Progress Report on the Power Plan

The Power Committee will get a brief update about our progress developing the Sixth Power Plan. Staff will summarize the status of the various areas that go into the Power Plan.

Major pieces of the Power Plan include the demand forecast, conservation supply curves, generating resource alternatives, electricity prices, and the portfolio analysis. In addition, there are special topics of importance to the plan. These include climate change policies and their effects on the electricity sector, issues relating to capacity and ancillary services, and near-term actions to implement the Power Plan.

Staff is nearing completion of the detailed input assumptions and forecasts for the Power Plan. The next step is to begin analyzing the best mix of generating resources, conservation, and demand response to meet the region's demand for electricity at the lowest cost, including quantifiable environmental costs. Staff is looking to the committee for guidance addressing issues like climate change policy and system flexibility needs. In addition, we are beginning to collect recommended actions that should be pursued over the next five years to implement the plan.

The attached PowerPoint presentation will be used to illustrate the current status of our work.

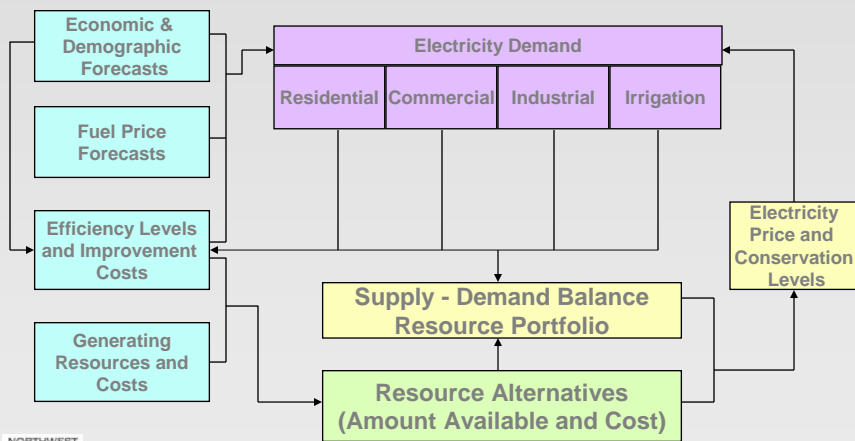
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Status of Sixth Power Plan Development

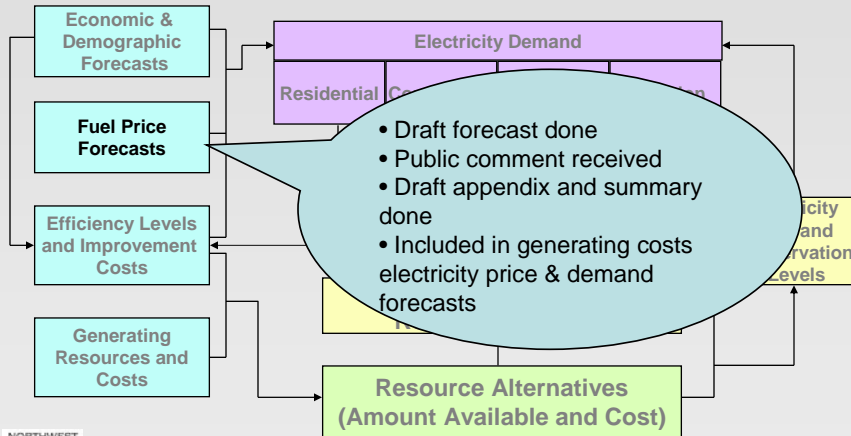
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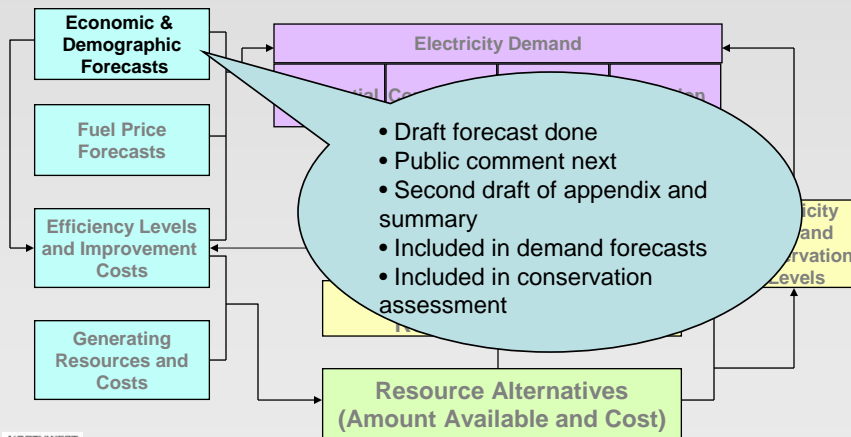
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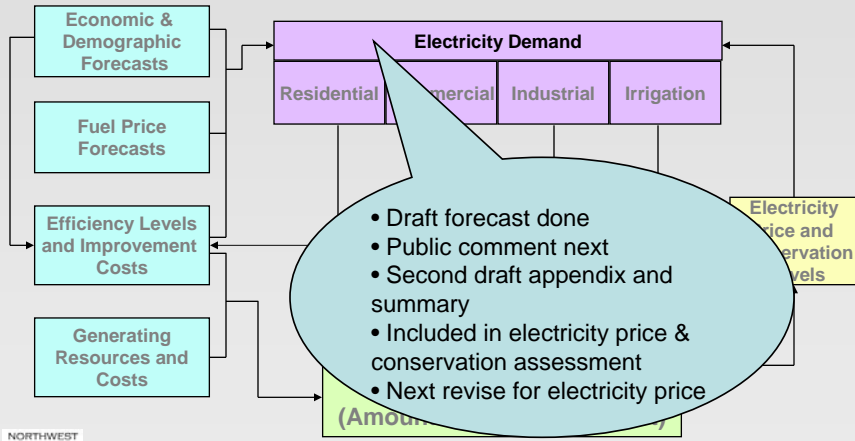
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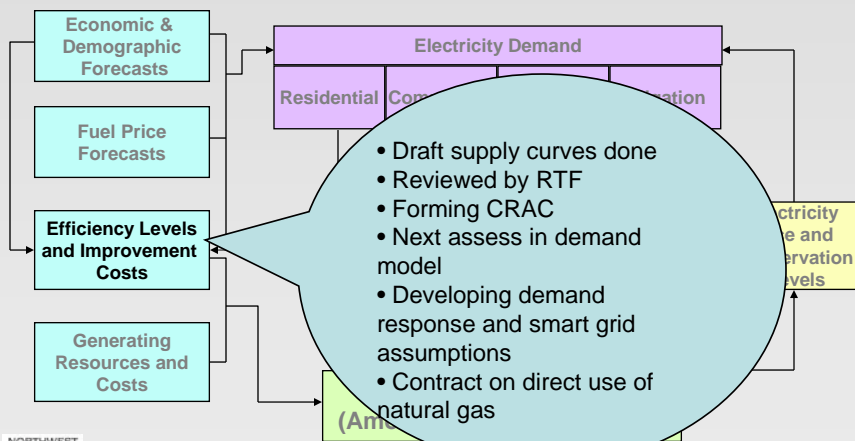
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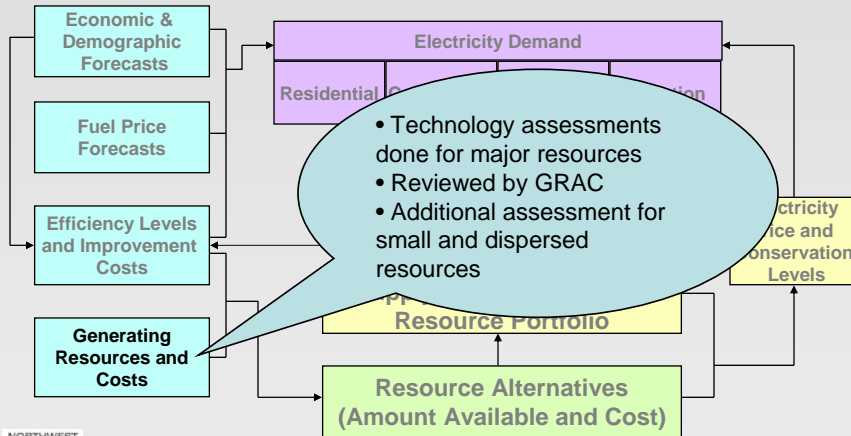
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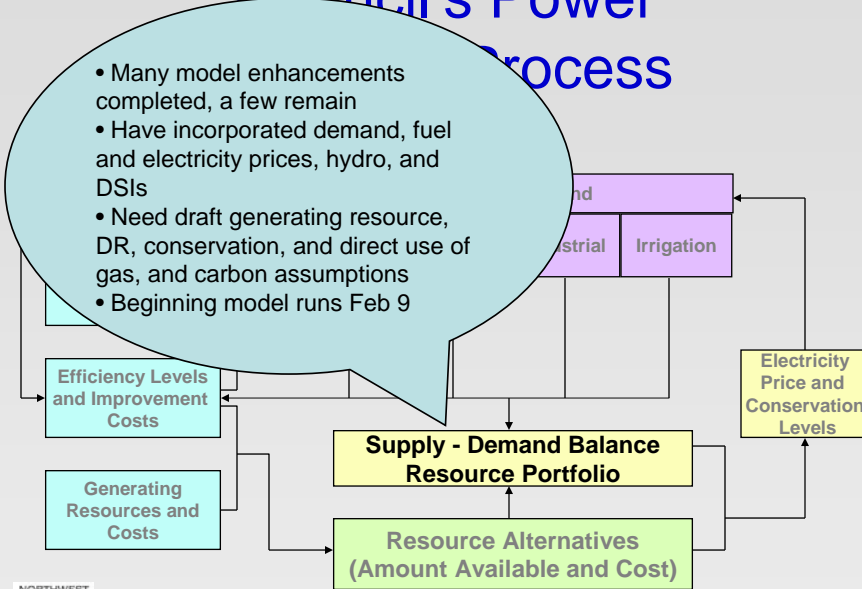
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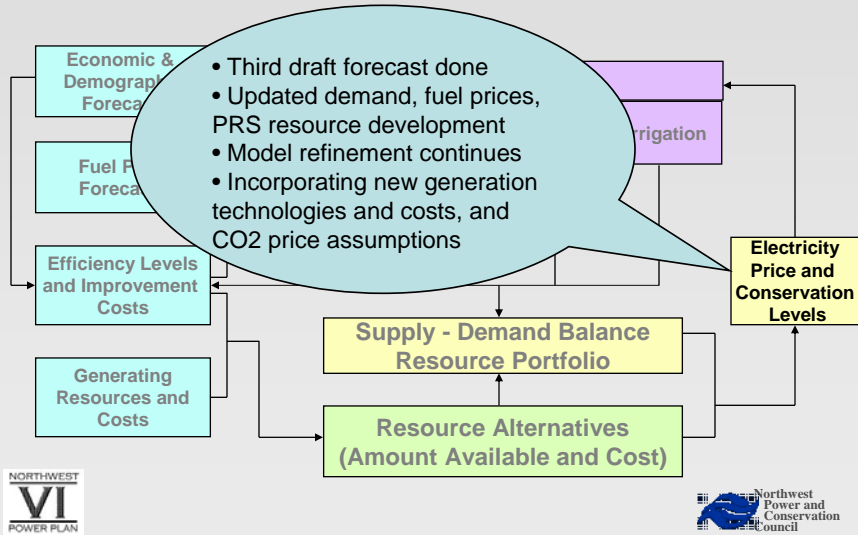
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Other Plan Development Actions

- Draft of Chapter 3 – Introduction
- Draft of Chapter 4 – Background
- Draft of parts of Chapter 5 - Assumptions
- Currently structuring analysis of climate change policies and alternatives
- Developing actions for the near term