

## **Benefit Cost Analysis Schedule Proposal**

July 10 – July 31	Develop Informal Competitive Solicitation (ICS) with filing utilities, stakeholders, and consultant support. Send out ICS to qualified firms.
Aug 1 – Aug 13	Firms prepare and submit responses to ICS. Begin reviewing/evaluating submissions.
Aug 14 – Aug 24	Review/evaluate consultant submissions with filing utilities and stakeholders; develop short list and interview consultants; select consultant.
Aug 27 – Aug 31	Filing Utilities and stakeholders work with consultant to design study with detailed work plan and performance schedule.
Sep 4 – Sep 5	Filing Utilities negotiate/execute contract with consultant
Sep 6 – Oct 2	Consultant undertakes regional analysis, using materials from Stage One and the new Stage Two inputs (Congestion Management, Planning/Expansion principles, Pricing illustration, Facilities inclusion, etc.)
Oct 3 – Nov 2	Consultant continues regional analysis using materials from remaining Stage Two inputs (e.g., loss treatment, transfer payments and translation of rights). Consultant periodically posts analysis work and responds to feedback from filing utilities and stakeholders. Consultant begins work with filing utilities on state PUC requirements.
Nov 5 – Nov 30	Consultant completes regional analysis.
Feb 1, 2002 - ?	Following Order from FERC, consultant updates analysis based on FERC decisions, and supports state PUC filings as requested by filing utilities.  Consultant provides support before Congressional committees and other interested groups to be determined on a needs basis.