National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

BPA is a Federal agency and is required to comply with NEPA in all its actions. For almost all interconnection projects, an Environmental Review Agreement will be required to establish BPA’s NEPA compliance.

There are several levels of such a review, and the costs and implications of each review will be discussed in detail at the Scoping meeting held after BPA receives an Interconnection Request.

BPA’s Environmental Services website (Environmental Services) shows a great deal of information; an overview of the review processes is linked under ‘Reference Materials’.

If you need further information concerning BPA’s NEPA compliance in the context of an Interconnection Request, please contact your Transmission Account Executive or the appropriate Interconnection Procedural Administrator.