

# Overview of WIEB Activities

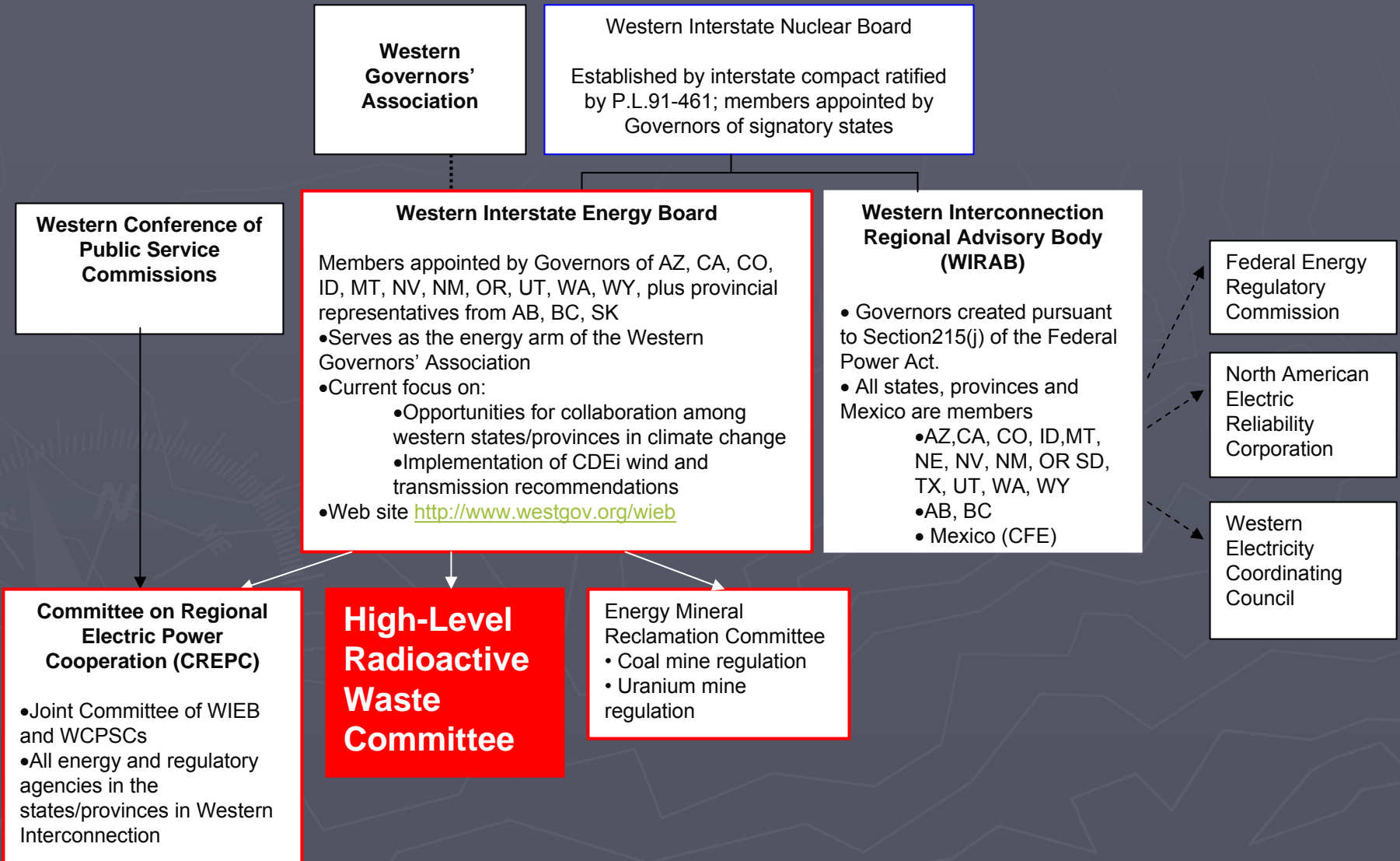


# Western Interstate Energy Board

- ▶ Established by Western Interstate Nuclear Compact adopted by 11 states and ratified by Congress in the early 1970s
- ▶ Board member appointed by Governor
- ▶ Operates as the energy affiliate of WGA
- ▶ Three committees
  - Committee on Regional Electric Power Cooperation
  - High-Level Radioactive Waste Committee
  - Energy Minerals Reclamation Committee

Institutional home for Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Body under the Federal Power Act

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# WIEB Board Members

- ▶ Alberta – Ian McKay, DOE
- ▶ Arizona – Lori Faeth, Gov's Office
- ▶ B.C. – Ed Higginbottom, Energy Ministry
- ▶ California – Jackie Pfannenstiel, CEC
- ▶ Colorado – Tom Plant, Energy Office
- ▶ Idaho – Marsha Smith, PUC
- ▶ Montana – Art Compton, DEQ
- ▶ Nevada – Hatice Gecol, Energy Office
- ▶ New Mexico – Joanna Prukop, EMNRD
- ▶ Oregon – Mike Grainey, ODOE
- ▶ Saskatchewan – Mike Balfour, Industry & Resources
- ▶ Utah – Dianne Nielson, Gov's Office
- ▶ Washington – Tony Usibelli, CTED
- ▶ Wyoming – Steve Ellenbecker, Gov's Office

# Priorities

## ▶ Board

- Climate change-related issues

- ▶ Utility resource plans
- ▶ Integration of large amounts of renewable generation
- ▶ Hybrid generation options (e.g., wind/advanced coal)
- ▶ Electrification of the transportation sector (e.g., plug-in hybrid vehicles)
- ▶ Evaluation of the impact of federal greenhouse gas legislation
- ▶ Information sharing among states/provinces

- West-wide Renewable Energy Zones (w/ WGA)

## ▶ Committee on Regional Electric Power Cooperation

- Electric grid policies (e.g., transmission expansion, market monitoring, utility resource plans)

## ▶ HLW Committee

- Transportation of spent fuel and HLW

## ▶ Energy Mineral Reclamation Committee

- Regulation of active coal and uranium mines

## ▶ *Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Body*

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- Electric grid reliability

(created by Governors