

**Exhibit B**  
**Implementation Plan**

# Implementation Plan for FAC-003-4 — Transmission Vegetation Management

## **Requested Approval**

FAC-003-4 – Transmission Vegetation Management

## **Requested Retirement**

FAC-003-3 – Transmission Vegetation Management

## **Prerequisite Approvals**

None.

## **Defined Terms in the NERC Glossary**

None.

## **Effective Date**

Where approval by an applicable governmental authority is required, the standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter that is 3 months after the effective date of the applicable governmental authority's order approving the standard, or as otherwise provided for by the applicable governmental authority.

Where approval by an applicable governmental authority is not required, the standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter that is 3 months after the date the standard is adopted by the NERC Board of Trustees, or as otherwise provided for in that jurisdiction.

## **Compliance Note**

A line operated below 200kV, designated by the Planning Coordinator as an element of an Interconnection Reliability Operating Limit (IROL) or designated by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) as an element of a Major WECC Transfer Path, becomes subject to this standard the later of: 1) 12 months after the date the Planning Coordinator or WECC initially designates the line as being an element of an IROL or an element of a Major WECC Transfer Path, or 2) January 1 of the planning year when the line is forecast to become an element of an IROL or an element of a Major WECC Transfer Path.

A line operating below 200kV designated as an element of an IROL or Major WECC Transfer Path may be removed from that designation due to system improvements, changes in generation, changes in loads or changes in studies and analysis of the network.

**Standard for Retirement**

FAC-003-3 11:59:59 p.m. on the day immediately prior to the Effective Date of FAC-003-4 in the particular jurisdiction in which the FAC-003-4 standard is becoming effective.