

Evaluation Project Updates December 2020

COVID-19 Coronavirus Considerations

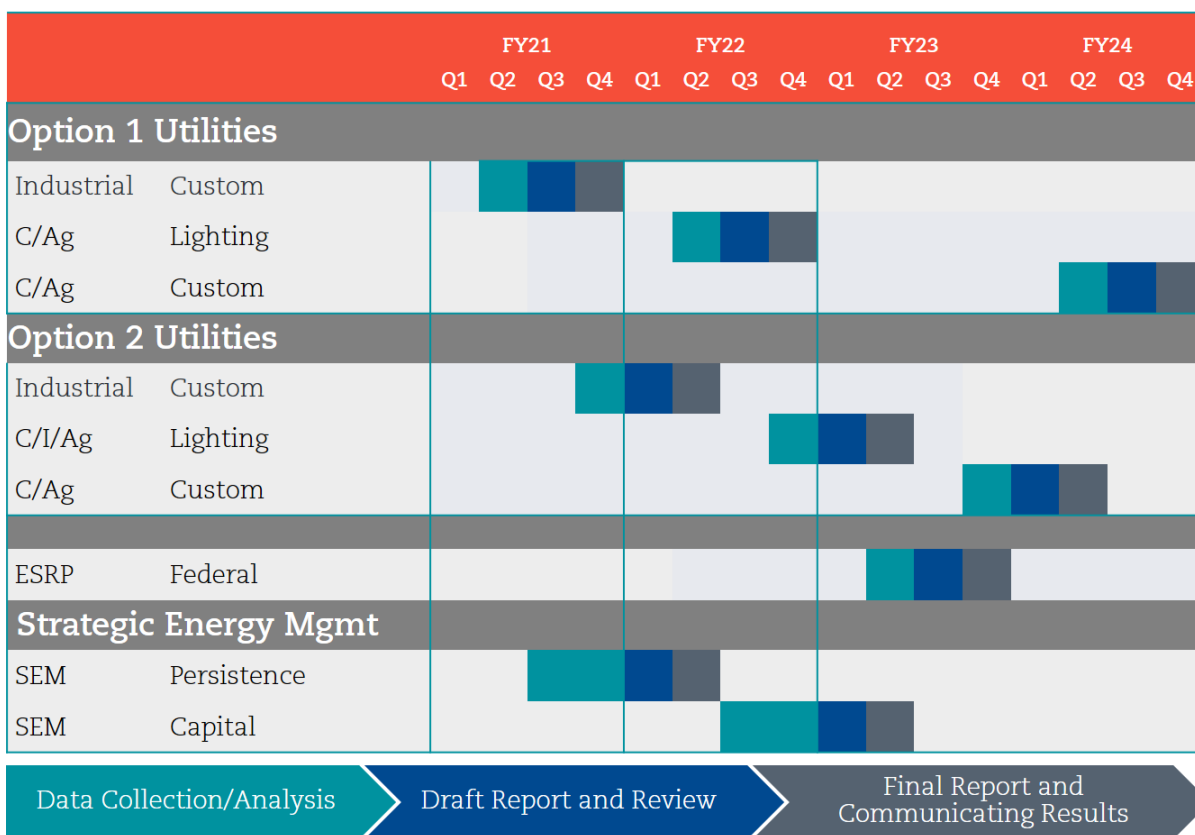
We understand the difficulties utilities, utility staff, businesses and customers are experiencing during this pandemic. Please know that we continue to consider the current environment in all evaluation activities on an ongoing basis. We recognize that in-person customer contact needs to be avoided or thoroughly considered before undertaken. We are coordinating with utilities to ensure all evaluation activities are conducted in accordance with each utility’s current operating procedures.

2020-21 Evaluation Plan

BPA kicked off our impact evaluation of custom industrial evaluation projects for Option 1 utilities in September. In partnership with our evaluation consultants, we developed a research plan for Option 1 Custom Industrial, found at www.bpa.gov/goto/evaluation.

BPA recently launched Strategic Energy Management (SEM) research planning activities, with a focus on persistence assessment to inform measure life. A second phase of SEM research focused on how capital measures affect SEM savings launches in late 2021.

Two more areas of focus for BPA’s 2020-21 impact evaluation are a commercial HVAC savings assessment, which was recently completed (tool and summary results available at www.bpa.gov/goto/evaluation) and residential zone 1 DHP savings analysis, launching next month.



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