# Siting of Energy Facilities in Oregon

## Process Overview

### Pre-Application

1. **APPLICANT:** Applicant submits Notice of Intent (NOI) to Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE).
2. ODOE issues Memorandum to Reviewing Agencies and requests review and comments on the NOI.
3. **REVIEWING AGENCIES:** Reviewing agencies provide comments on the NOI and participate in an interdisciplinary team meeting.
4. **APPLICANT/PUBLIC:** ODOE issues Public Notice and Request for Comments; applicant may hold information meeting(s).
5. ODOE issues Project Order.
6. **APPLICANT/REVIEWING AGENCIES:** If applicant chooses to participate in a draft exhibit review process, reviewing agencies participate in meetings and provide comments on draft application exhibits.

### Application Review

1. **APPLICANT:** Applicant submits Preliminary Application to ODOE.
2. ODOE issues Memorandum to Reviewing Agencies and requests review and comments on the Preliminary Application.
3. **REVIEWING AGENCIES:** Reviewing agencies provide comments on the Preliminary Application and participate in an interdisciplinary team meeting (if held).
4. **APPLICANT:** ODOE issues Request for Additional Information (RAI) (if necessary).
5. Applicant submits responses (revised exhibits) to ODOE’s Request for Additional Information
6. **REVIEWING AGENCIES:** Reviewing agencies review applicant’s response to the RAI (if requested by ODOE).
7. ODOE finds Application complete.
8. **REVIEWING AGENCIES:** ODOE issues Notice to Reviewing Agencies of Complete Application and requests report
9. **APPLICANT/PUBLIC:** ODOE issues Public Notice of Complete Application and holds information meeting(s).

### Staff Recommendation, Contested Case and EFSC Decision

1. ODOE issues Draft Proposed Order (DPO) with recommended Council findings and site certificate conditions.
2. **APPLICANT/PUBLIC:** ODOE provides notice of the Draft Proposed Order public hearing–with “Raise It or Waive It” deadline. (a hearing officer conducts the DPO public hearing)
3. **REVIEWING AGENCIES:** Reviewing agencies and the public provide comments ‘on the record of the public hearing.’
4. After close of the record of the public hearing, EFSC reviews the DPO at a Council meeting (no further public comments are allowed).
5. **APPLICANT/PUBLIC:** ODOE issues Proposed Order and Notice of Contested Case (only to those who submitted comment, orally or in writing, on the record of the public hearing).
6. Hearing officer conducts contested case proceeding. Following the hearing, the hearing officer must issue a proposed contested case order.
7. Council considers hearing officer’s Recommended Contested Case Order and issues Final Order (and Site Certificate, if approved).

### Appeal

1. **APPLICANT/PUBLIC/REVIEWING AGENCIES:** 60-day deadline to appeal Final Order.
2. Supreme Court review and decision.

### Compliance

1. **APPLICANT/REVIEWING AGENCIES:** ODOE Compliance Officer works with applicant/certificate holder and reviewing agencies to ensure compliance throughout the life of the facility.