



ENERGY FACILITY SITING COUNCIL

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Energy Facility Siting Council Meeting Notice and Agenda

Friday April 19, 2024 8:30 AM

**Oregon Department of Energy
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Salem, OR 97301**

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Roll Call and Opening Remarks

- A. Consent Calendar (Action Item & Information Item)** – Approval of March 21-21, 2024 minutes; Council Secretary Report; and other routine Council business.
- B. Initiation of Carbon Offset Rate Rulemaking (Action Item)** – Tom Jackman, Rulemaking Coordinator. The Council will consider staff’s recommendation to initiate the Carbon Offset informal rulemaking to potentially update the monetary offset rate which can be increased or decrease by no more than 50% every two years pursuant to ORS 469.503(2)(c)(C).
- C. Initiation of Application Process Phase 2 Rulemaking (Action Item)** – Tom Jackman, Rulemaking Coordinator. The Council will consider staff’s recommendation to initiate Phase 2 proposed revisions to the Council’s rules informal rulemaking to improve the consistency of rules and the application process.
- D. Public Comment Period (Information Item)** – This time is reserved for the public to address the Council regarding any item within Council jurisdiction that is not otherwise closed for comment.
- E. Wheatridge Renewable Energy East Request for Amendment 1, Review of the Draft Proposed Order (Information Item)** – Christopher Clark, Senior Siting Analyst. Council will be presented with an overview of the 200 MW wind energy generation facility. It is approved to include up to 66 wind turbines, up to 32 miles of two overhead, parallel 230 kV transmission lines, and other related and supporting facilities to be located within an approximately 4,582-acre site boundary in Umatilla and

Morrow Counties. Amendment 1 proposes to add 41 more turbines, expand the micrositing corridor by approximately 10,000 acres, expand and increase the relating and supporting facilities and extend the construction completion deadline by 3 years. Council will review the Draft Proposed Order on Amendment 1, including issues raised in comments received on the record of the DPO public hearing, and may provide comments to staff for consideration in the Proposed Order.

- F. Leaning Juniper IIA Request for Amendment 3, Review of the Draft Proposed Order (Information Item)** – Chase McVeigh-Walker, Senior Siting Analyst. Council will be presented with an overview of the operational 90.3 MW wind energy generation facility. It consists of 43 wind turbines, with a maximum blade tip height of 492 feet, and related and supporting facilities within a site boundary of 6,404 acres in Gilliam County. Amendment 3 propose to repower 36 wind turbines, decommission 2 wind turbines, temporarily disturb 396 acres of high-value farmland and add new conditions. Council will review the Draft Proposed Order on Amendment 3, including issues raised in comments received on the record of the DPO public hearing, and may provide comments to staff for consideration in the Proposed Order.
- G. Summit Ridge Wind Site Certificate Termination (Action Item)** – Sarah Esterson, Senior Policy Advisor. The Summit Ridge Wind Farm is an approved wind energy generation facility that would consist of up to 72 wind turbines with a peak generating capacity of 194.4 megawatts (MW), located within a site boundary of approximately 11,000 acres. On March 8, 2024 the Department received a complete Application to Terminate the Summit Ridge Wind Farm Site Certificate.
- H. Hydrogen Electrolyzer Jurisdictional Determination (Action Item)** – Todd Cornett, Assistant Director for Siting/Council Secretary and Michael Freels, Senior Policy Analyst. Council will evaluate whether hydrogen electrolyzers by themselves constitute an “Energy Facility” as included in ORS 469.300(11)(a)(F) below, and are therefore within their jurisdiction.

A synthetic fuel plant which converts a natural resource including, but not limited to, coal or oil to a gas, liquid or solid product intended to be used as a fuel and capable of being burned to produce the equivalent of two billion Btu of heat a day.

The agenda item will include three parts:

1. Staff presentation
2. Public comment
3. Council deliberation and possible decision

Anticipated Adjournment at 1:45 p.m.

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- **May 30-31, 2024**
- **June 13-14, 2024**

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