

# Oregon Department of **ENERGY**

**Oregon Energy Strategy**  
Advisory Group Meeting

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# ADVISORY GROUP MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

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Please introduce yourself  
(name, affiliation)



# Meeting Objectives

- Build an understanding of key substantive changes between the draft and final report
- Discuss next steps for implementing the Energy Strategy and collect feedback from the Advisory Group to inform those next steps
- Reflect on the process to develop the Energy Strategy



# AGENDA

TIME	TOPIC	PRESENTER
10:00 a.m.	Welcome, Agenda, Introductions	Edith Bayer and Ben Duncan
10:10 a.m.	Key substantive changes from the draft to final report	Edith Bayer
11:00 a.m.	Next Steps	Edith Bayer
11:25 a.m.	Closing	Ben Duncan and Edith Bayer

## Key changes and additions from the draft to final report

# NEW CONTENT & REVISED STRUCTURE

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# ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, EQUITY, AND AFFORDABILITY

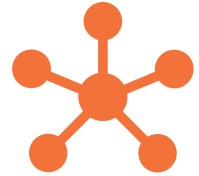
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- Need to embed framework more throughout the entire strategy
  - Policy narratives updated
  - Addition of “energy burden” to 2a
- Need to more specifically address affordability throughout the entire strategy
  - Cost of Inaction section added
  - Pathway and policy narratives updated

# CROSS-CUTTING ACTIONS

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- Listed first before sector-specific actions
- New action: **Align the Oregon Economic Development Strategy and the Oregon Energy Strategy** through collaboration between Business Oregon and the Oregon Department of Energy to foster decarbonization and economic growth through consideration of industrial symbiosis, clean energy innovation, emerging technologies, and incentives.



# TRANSPORTATION ACTIONS

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- Vision Updates:
  - Additional emphasis on importance of electrification in medium- and heavy-duty sectors
- Action Updates:
  - Re-orders policy actions to establish priority
  - Combined two funding actions (funding for Zero-emission Vehicles and ZEV infrastructure) into scope of Climate Aligned Transportation Funding Task Force



# BUILDINGS ACTIONS

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## Updates:

- Re-orders policy actions to establish higher priority for programs to serve environmental justice and disadvantaged communities.
- Provides more explicit content regarding consumer costs associated with electrification.
- Expands discussion of rooftop solar to include net metering and soft costs associated with permitting and interconnection.

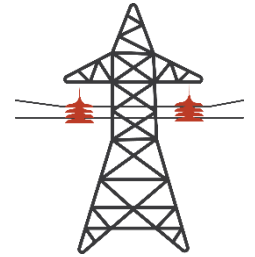


# CLEAN ELECTRICITY PATHWAY

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## Updates:

- Moved ahead of electrification in list
- Revised to “Secure reliable, affordable, and clean electricity by expanding the electricity system and incorporating load flexibility.”
- Added content (pages 57-58)
  - Recognize historic contributions of hydropower
  - Long-term view to 2050: stronger focus on resource mix, highlighting model reducing (but not eliminating) reliance on emitting resources
  - Importance of market regionalization, learnings from modeling

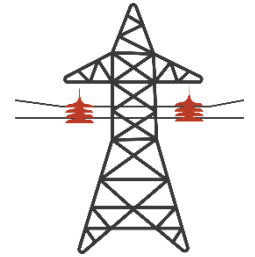


# ELECTRICITY ACTIONS

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## Vision Updates:

- Explicitly references hydropower's continuing role
- Near-term need for system expansion to maintain reliability while accommodating rapid load growth



## Action Updates:

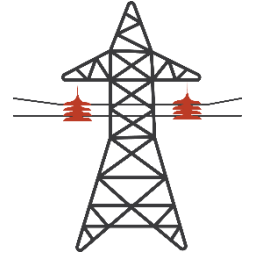
- New policy action regarding wildfire risks (Action 2)
- Modified policy action regarding transmission (Action 3)

# ELECTRICITY ACTIONS (New action)

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## Action 2:

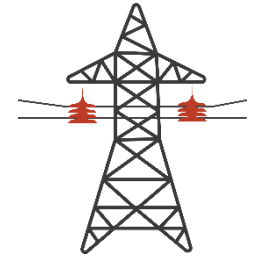
The Oregon Public Utility Commission, in coordination with the Department of Energy, should **commission an expert review of balanced wildfire utility liability solutions** that enable both utility accountability and ongoing customer cost containment, reliability, and decarbonization investments. (pages 108-109)



# ELECTRICITY ACTIONS

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## Revised Action 3:



Draft: Establish a state transmission entity ...

Final: Review and share key findings with the Legislature regarding **near-term transmission needs and opportunities**, and identify opportunities for the state to support transmission. ODOE would lead this work and build on it to inform the role that a state transmission entity may play in enabling investment. (pages 109-111)



# INDUSTRIAL ACTIONS

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## Vision Updates:

- Expand potential industrial support
- Improve understanding of potential solutions

## Action Updates:

- Modified Industrial Action 1
- Added decarbonization examples in the policies and actions

# INDUSTRIAL ACTIONS

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## Revised Action 1:

Draft: Identify and evaluate short and long term decarbonization options for the emissions-intensive, trade-exposed large industrial entities in Oregon that are obligated to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions under the Climate Protection Program.

Final: Identify and evaluate short and long term decarbonization options for **large industrial entities in Oregon**. (page 115)

# LOW-CARBON FUELS ACTIONS

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## Vision Updates:

- Expand low-carbon fuel solutions
- Better explain the value of a fuels roadmap

## Action Updates:

- Modified Fuels Action 1
- Modified Fuels Action 2

# LOW-CARBON FUELS ACTIONS

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## Revised Fuels Action 1:

Draft: Direct the Oregon Department of Energy, Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development, and Business Oregon to create criteria to **identify sites with the greatest opportunity for low-carbon-intensity fuel production development in Oregon** by assessing existing brownfields and industrial sites across the state, and publishing recommendations on how to improve engagement with local communities.

Final: **Expand access to low-carbon fuels**, including assessing opportunities for in-state production, **identifying strategies for regional coordination**, and **establishing safeguards to protect communities and natural resources**, through coordination between the Oregon Department of Energy, Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, and Business Oregon. (page 117)

# LOW-CARBON FUELS ACTIONS

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## Revised Fuels Action 2:

Draft: Direct the Oregon Department of Energy to **develop a low-carbon fuels roadmap that evaluates current policy support mechanisms for low-carbon fuels, identifies gaps and opportunities, and recommends additional support mechanisms that align with regional and national frameworks for low-carbon fuels in transportation and in commercial and industrial sectors.**

Final: **Support strategic planning and investment by Oregon businesses through a low-carbon fuels deployment roadmap**, led by the Oregon Department of Energy, and informed by existing studies, data, analysis, and public partner information and guidance. (page 117-118)

## Next Steps

# NEXT STEPS

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Identification of whether an action can be undertaken by an agency (or agencies) through internal processes or requires more. Related questions:

- Within agency authority and resources?
- Requires additional agency resources?
- Creates new program, policy, or authority?

Prioritization:

- Near-term priority actions
- Other actions

Engagement – focused:

- Legislators
- Governor's Office
- Broad range of interested parties

# NEXT STEPS

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ODOE's role:

- Actions for ODOE to undertake (priority actions; assessment of existing resources; direction from Governor and questions from Legislature)
- Supporting uptake of other actions
  - Dialogue with agencies
  - Information-sharing
  - Convening
- Tracking progress



# CLOSING

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- Thank you for all your time, expertise, engagement, and support!
- Please answer questions by end of November.
- Looking forward to engaging with you as we turn to focus on specific actions.

# Thank You!

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