



# Oregon

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## MEETING NOTES

### Energy Advisory Work Group

Monday, December 4, 2017

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Meitner Conference Room

MEMBERS	GUESTS	ODOE STAFF
Keith Kueny, Community Action Partnership of OR	Ali Webb, DAS	Blake Johnson
Kevin Lynch, Avangrid Renewables	Amanda Beitel, LFO	Deanna Henry
Lee Rahr, Sustainable Northwest	Brendan McCarthy, PGE	Janine Benner
Matt Michel, Lane Electric	Bruce Anderson, NW Natural	Jessica Reichers
Nate Rivera, Hermiston Energy Services	Cathleen Connolly, DAS	John Hobbs
Roger Kline, Northern Wasco County PUD	Danelle Romain, OPUDA	Katie Clifford
Stan Price, NW Energy Efficiency Council	Kerry Meade, NEEC	Max Woods
		Stacey Heuberger
		Todd Cornett
		Warren Cook

### Welcome

Janine Benner

- Roundtable introductions.
- Janine encouraged the Workgroup to continue to provide feedback and comments during these meetings or directly to her or ODOE staff.

### Governor's Executive Orders Updates

Jessica Reichers

- [Zero Emission Vehicles \(EO 17-21\)](#)
  - Sets a goal of having 50,000 registered and operating electronic vehicles in Oregon by the end of 2020.
  - The Executive Order (EO) requires the state address the access to and availability of electronic vehicles, charging infrastructure needs, and information on use.
  - Creates the Zero Emission Vehicle Working Group to implement the EO. The Workgroup will include the following agencies: Oregon Department of Energy, Department of Environmental Quality, Oregon Public Utility Commission, Department of Administrative Services, and Department of Transportation.

- **[Energy Efficiency \(EO 17-20\)](#)** **Warren Cook**
  - Requires targets to be set for high performance energy use in state-owned buildings, with benchmarks. Currently focused on creating targets for occupied commercial and office buildings and buildings over 5,000 square feet.
  - Directs the Building Codes Division to amend code for increased energy efficiency in new construction.
  - Requires ODOE, PUC and Housing to assess energy use in affordable housing.

### **Budget Process**

**Blake Johnson**

- Overview of the biennial state budget process. ODOE must follow the budget instructions provided by the Department of Administrative Services.
- ODOE creates an Agency Request Budget based off current service level plus any reductions or enhancements (Policy Option Packages) to current programs.
- Because of declining federal funding opportunities and a 2015 legislative budget note limiting ESA revenue to \$13.1 million, in 2016, ODOE made reductions to current service level and requested General Fund for Policy Option Packages.
- ODOE requested six Policy Option Packages (POPs), three of which requested General Fund revenue:
  - Governor’s Energy Policy Advisor position.
  - IT enhancement project.
  - Litigation expenses.
- The Governor modified and approved all POPs but did not approve the use of General Fund and shifted the requests to Other Funds, essentially increasing ESA. The Governor’s budget is submitted to the legislature for approval.
- Through budget hearings, the legislature reviews and makes modifications to each agency’s budget. ODOE’s 2017-19 legislatively adopted budget included the Governor’s recommendation to use Other Funds to support ODOE’s POPs.
- The next budget development cycle will start in March 2018.

### **Project Updates**

- **Biennial Energy Report** **Janine Benner**
  - [HB 2343](#) (2017) directs ODOE to prepare a comprehensive report on numerous energy topics.
  - Currently in the stakeholder outreach process to help develop the report.
  - The outline/table of contents is still in the very early stages.
  - The report will be submitted to the legislature in September 2018.
- **Small-Scale Energy Loan Program (SELP) Review** **John Hobbs**
  - The [2017 Small-Scale Energy Loan Program report](#) will be submitted to the legislature this month. It will also be available on ODOE’s website at that time.
  - SELP is a bond-funded enterprise that uses General Obligation bonds to finance the programs through SELP.
  - The Small-Scale Local Energy Project Advisory Committee (SELPAC) supports the program.
  - SELP is not currently originating loans but has a portfolio of around \$150 million.

- SELPAC is currently drafting a letter to ODOE requesting a strategic review of SELP. The outcome of the strategic review should provide a 10-year vision for the program.

- **Boardman Solar Energy Facility**

**Katie Clifford**

- At the time, the only solar photovoltaic energy generation facility submitted to the Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC). It is also the largest solar generation facility to date.
- Applicant is Boardman Solar Energy, LLC.
- 545 acre facility and a site boundary of 798 acres, located in Morrow and Gillam counties.
- A draft recommendation will be submitted by ODOE to EFSC at their next meeting on December 14, 2017. (This was approved by EFSC on February 23, 2018.)

**Oregon Fuel Action Plan**

**Deanna Henry**

- In the event of a declared emergency, ODOE is responsible for having a statewide contingency plan and strategies in place to ensure that there are adequate fuel supplies to maintain emergency services, transportation, and public health and welfare while the emergency exists.
- ODOE and PUC are the primary state leads for the energy sector. ODOE is the lead on nuclear, petroleum, LNG; PUC is lead on electricity, natural gas.
- Oregon is vulnerable to long-term or severe petroleum shortages since 100% of refined petroleum products are imported.
- The Oregon Fuel Action Plan outlines nine priority actions to get fuel moving in an emergency situation.
- The Plan is updated annually and can be found on ODOE's website.

**Closing Comments**

**Janine Benner**

- Next meeting will be scheduled Spring 2018.