Oregon Department of Energy

Energy Facility Siting Council Meeting
Boardman City Hall
200 City Center Circle
Boardman, OR
October 25-26, 2018
Opening Items:

- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- Announcements
Announcements:

For those attending in person:
- Comment Registration Cards are available on the table.
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Agenda Item A

- Consent Calendar
- Council Secretary Report
Agenda Item B (Action Items)

Golden Hills Wind Project: Council Review of Contested Case Request, Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 5 of the Site Certificate

October 25, 2018
Sarah Esterson, Senior Siting Analyst
Presentation Overview

- Facility Overview and Site Certificate History
- Request for Amendment (RFA) 5 Procedural History
- RFA5 Proposed Changes
- Request for Contested Case on Proposed Order (Action Item)
- Proposed Order (Action Item)
# Facility Overview

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- O&M building  
- meteorological towers  
- power collection system  
- transmission lines  
- SCADA  
- access roads and crane paths |
Facility Site/Site Boundary Location

Site Boundary

- Contains 29,500 acres
- Private land, within Sherman County
Site Certificate History

• Site Certificate effective June 16, 2009
• Site Certificate Amended Four Times:
  • May 2012
  • January 2015
  • February 2017
  • April 2018
RFA5 – Proposed Modifications

Additional Wind Turbine Options (dimensions not to exceed):

• Blade-tip Height: 650-feet
• Tower Hub Height: 404-feet
• Aboveground Blade-tip Clearance: 46 feet

Additional Meteorological Tower Options:
• Height: 404 feet

Temporary Access Road and Crane Path Design Change:
• Increase width from 40 to 100 feet

Condition Changes
• PRE-DC-01
# RFA5 Procedural History

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Council Review of Request for Contested Case

Opportunity to Request a Contested Case
• Individuals that comment on record of draft proposed order hearing
• September 12 – October 12, 2018

Request for Contested Case Received
• Ms. Gilbert, as individual and on behalf of Friends of Grande Ronde Valley
• 6 Issues Raised
Council Scope of Review – Contested Case Requests

• Evaluate whether issue was properly raised:
  • On the record of the draft proposed order, with sufficient specificity, within Council jurisdiction

• Evaluate whether request satisfies OAR 345-027-0071(6) requirements

• Evaluate whether request raises significant issue of law or fact that may affect Council’s determination whether facility meets applicable laws and Council standards
Council Scope of Review – Continued

OAR 345-027-0071(10) identifies actions Council may take re: requests for contested case on amendment subject to Type A review:

Option 1: Grant a contested case – find that request raises significant issue of law or fact..

Option 2: Deny contested case – find that request raises significant issue of law or fact.. but could be addressed through new or amended conditions

Option 3: Deny contested case – find that request does not raise significant issue of law or fact..
Staff Recommendations

Request for Contested Case:
Staff recommend Council deny request for contested case

Proposed Order:
Approve proposed order, with modifications, and adopt as final order; grant amended site certificate
Request for Contested Case – Issue Summary

Issue 1: Condition requiring pre-construction evaluation of private water wells; ongoing monitoring necessary for public health and safety

Issue 2: Government to government consultation is needed

Issue 3: Risk to aircraft operators from increase in total turbine tower height above 500 feet

Issue 4: Setbacks to roads and structures not sufficient; 1,000 ft setback requested

Issue 5: Survey areas are not adequate

Issue 6: Monitoring for bird and bat impacts must be required for life of facility
Review of Issue 1

Issue 1: Condition requiring pre-construction evaluation of private water wells; ongoing monitoring necessary for public health and safety

Recommendations
• Core issue properly raised; modifications to issue not considered
• Issue does not raise a significant issue of law or fact
Review of Issue 2

Issue 2: Government to government consultation is needed

Recommendation
• Not properly raised
Review of Issue 3

Issue 3: Risk to aircraft operators from increase in total turbine tower height above 500 feet

Recommendations
• Core issue properly raised; modifications to issue not considered
• Issue does not raise a significant issue of law or fact.
Review of Issue 4

Issue 4: Setbacks to roads and structures not sufficient; 1,000 ft setback requested

Recommendations
• Core issue properly raised; modifications to issue not considered
• Issue does not raise a significant issue of law or fact.
Review of Issue 5

Issue 5: Survey areas are not adequate

Recommendations
• Core issue properly raised
• Issue does not raise a significant issue of law or fact..
Review of Issue 6

Issue 6: Monitoring for bird and bat impacts must be required for life of facility

Recommendations

• Core issue properly raised; modifications to issue not considered
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## Council Decision on Request for Contested Case

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Council Review of Proposed Order
Review of Proposed Order

No substantive changes between Draft Proposed Order to Proposed Order for the following standards:

• [OAR 345-022-0010] – Organizational Expertise
• [OAR 345-022-0040] – Protected Areas
• [OAR 345-022-0080] – Scenic Resources
• [OAR 345-022-0090] – Historic, Cultural and Archeological Resources
• [OAR 345-022-0100] – Recreation
• [OAR 345-024-0120] – Waste Minimization
• [OAR 340-035-0035] – Noise Control Regulations
• [ORS 196.800 through .990] – Removal-Fill Law
• [OAR 690 Division 537 and 590] – Water Rights
Review of Proposed Order

**General Standard of Review** [OAR 345-022-0000]
Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.11-14)

**Recommended Amendment of Condition** PRE-DC-01

- **Change:** Require blades be equipped with noise reducing technology
- **Basis:** Certificate holder representation/noise level specification
Recommended Amendment of Condition PRE-SS-01:

• Change: Submittal of a protocol, for Department and agency review, prior to completion of pre-construction site-specific geo-technical report

• Basis: DOGAMI comment on Draft Proposed Order
Review of Proposed Order

Land Use [OAR 345-022-0030]
Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.23-32)

1) Recommended Amendment of Condition PRE-LU-14:
Change: Align condition language with county setback ordinance
Basis: Ms. Gilbert Comment 1 on record of Draft Proposed Order

2) Recommended Amended Findings for OAR 660-033-0130(37)(b)(S) – Unnecessary soil compaction
Change: Describe existing requirements of Habitat Mitigation/Reveg Plan
Basis: Ms. Gilbert Comments on Record of Draft Proposed Order
Review of Proposed Order

Retirement and Financial Assurance [OAR 345-022-0050]
Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.43-46)

Recommended Amended Findings
Change: Clarify tasks and actions included in retirement cost estimate
Basis: Ms. Gilbert’s Comment 8 on Record of Draft Proposed Order
Review of Proposed Order

Fish and Wildlife Habitat [OAR 345-022-0060]
Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.46-53)

Recommended Amendment of Condition PRE-FW-04
Change: Clarify map reference for review of approved corridors
Basis: Ms. Gilbert Comment 6 on Record of Draft Proposed Order

Recommended Amended Findings
Change: Describe existing pre-construction wildlife survey requirements
Basis: Ms. Gilbert Comment 6 on Record of Draft Proposed Order
Threatened and Endangered Species [OAR 345-022-0070]
Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.53-55)

Recommended Amended Findings
Change: Describe existing pre-construction wildlife survey requirements
Basis: Ms. Gilbert Comment 6 on Record of Draft Proposed Order
Recommended Amended Findings

Change: Evaluate sufficiency of existing conditions to minimize potential impacts to groundwater from aquifer collapse/contamination from blasting

Basis: Ms. Gilbert Comment 2 on Record of Draft Proposed Order
Review of Proposed Order

Public Health and Safety Standards for Wind Facilities [OAR 345-024-0010]
Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.83-90)

Recommended Amendment of Condition PRO-PH-01
Change: Require documentation of blade inspection and maintenance; causal analysis for equipment failures
Basis: Ms. Gilbert Comment 4 on Record of Draft Proposed Order

Recommended Amended Findings
Change: Evaluate sufficiency of previously imposed setbacks
Basis: Ms. Gilbert Comment 4 on Record of Draft Proposed Order
Council Decision on Proposed Order

Option 1
- Approve Proposed Order and adopt Final Order

Option 2
- Approve Proposed Order with Modifications and adopt Final Order

Option 3
- Deny Proposed Order, direct staff to make changes and re-issue Proposed Order
Agenda Item C (Hearing)


5:30 p.m.

October 25, 2018
Hearing Format

• First: ODOE presentation on facility, amendment request, and process

• Then: Opportunity to submit written comments; testimony

• Last: Certificate holder response
Facility Overview

Certificate Holder: Wheatridge Wind Energy LLC

Parent Company: NextEra Energy Resources, LLC

Type of Facility: 500 MW wind

Location: Morrow and Umatilla counties

Status: Approved, not yet constructed

Request for Amendment (RFA) 2 under review
Amendment Request: Proposed Changes

Related or Supporting Facilities:
- Two battery storage systems
- Interconnection facilities
- Fire suppression system
- Cooling system

Location:
Morrow and Umatilla counties
RFA2 Procedural History

April 9, 2018: “Type B” review request received
April 25, 2018: ODOE determined “Type A” review be maintained
May 18, 2018: Preliminary RFA2 received; Type B review re-evaluation
June 14, 2018: ODOE determined “Type A” review be maintained
June 29, 2018: Council concurred with ODOE “Type A” review determination
Sept 17, 2018: Complete RFA2 received
Sept 21, 2018: Draft Proposed Order and Public Notice issued
Sept 21 – Oct 25, 2018: Draft Proposed Order comment period
Process

October 25-26, 2018:
• Public Hearing on draft proposed order
• Close of record
• Council review of draft proposed order and comments received
• Council comments and input provided to ODOE

November 26, 2018 or earlier:
• ODOE issuance of proposed order (recommending approval, modification or denial) and addressing substantive comments received before close of record and within EFSC jurisdiction
• ODOE issuance of public notice and notice of opportunity to request a contested case
Consideration of Requests for a Contested Case

To request an issue be addressed in a contested case proceeding, the issue must be:

• Within the jurisdiction of the Council;
• Raised in person or in writing before the comment deadline (close of tonight’s hearing, October 25, 2018)
• Raised with sufficient specificity to afford the Council, the Department of Energy, and the certificate holder an adequate opportunity to respond to the issue.
• To raise an issue with sufficient specificity, a person must present facts, on the record of the hearing, that support the person’s position on the issue.
• OAR 345-027-0067(5), OAR 345-027-0071(5)
Draft Proposed Order Public Hearing:

Wheatridge Wind Energy Facility
Request for Amendment 2
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Agenda Item D  
(Information Item)

Proposed 2019 Meeting Dates

October 26, 2018
Todd Cornett, Secretary
PROPOSED EFSC MEETING DATES

2019 CALENDAR

- Jan 24-25, 2019
- Feb 21-22, 2019
- Mar 21-22, 2019
- Apr 18-19, 2019
- May 23-24, 2019
- June 20-21, 2019
- July 25-26, 2019
- Aug 22-23, 2019
- Sept 26-27, 2019
- Oct 24-25, 2019
- Nov 21-22, 2019
- Dec 19-20, 2019
Agenda Item E
(Information Item)

The Climate Trust Audit Update

October 26, 2018
Todd Cornett, Secretary
This time is reserved for the public to address the Council regarding any item within the Council’s jurisdiction that is not otherwise closed for comment.
Agenda Item G
(Information Item)

Boardman to Hemingway Transmission Line Project Update

October 26, 2018
Kellen Tardaewether, Senior Siting Analyst
Boardman to Hemingway Transmission Line

Proposed Facility Overview

• Type of Facility: 500 kV electric transmission line, approx. 300 miles length
• Location (Oregon): Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Baker, and Malheur
• Regulated by federal and state permitting authorities
# Procedural History

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Complete Application for Site Certificate

• Application ‘Complete’ when

  • “applicant has submitted information adequate for the Council to make findings or impose conditions on all applicable Council standards.” [OAR 345-015-0190]

  • Application used to draft findings and recommendations for EFSC review in the draft proposed order

• Notice of ASC issued on October 3, 2018
  • Informational Meetings on the ASC
Informational Meetings on the Complete Application

- Informational meetings held October 15-18, 2018
  - Ontario, Malheur County
  - Baker City, Baker County
  - La Grande, Union County
  - Pendleton, Umatilla County
  - Boardman, Morrow County
Complete Application for Site Certificate

• Application (ASC) and Reviewing Agency Reports used to draft findings and recommendations for EFSC review in the draft proposed order

• Reviewing Agency comment period
(4) Request an agency report containing the following information:
   (a) The agency’s recommendations regarding any applications for permits administered by the agency that are applicable to construction or operation of the proposed facility.
   (b) Issues significant to the agency.
   (c) The agency’s conclusions concerning the proposed facility's compliance with state statutes, administrative rules or ordinances administered by the agency.
   (d) A list of site certificate conditions recommended by the agency.
   (e) Any other information that the reviewing agency believes will be useful to the Council in reviewing the site certificate application.
Draft Proposed Order (DPO)

• ODOE recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law and conditions to EFSC on each Council Standard

• Incorporates/evaluates all agency comments/recommendations/conditions

• Notice of Issuance of DPO
  • Notice to Reviewing Agencies
  • Public Notice

• Public Hearings on the DPO and comment period
Next:
Agenda H – Project Updates
Agenda Item H
(Information Item)

Project Updates

Presented by:
Sean Mole and Todd Cornett
On September 12, 2018 the Department received a letter from the applicant indicating its intention to submit an amended application for exemption. Staff have suspended their review awaiting further action.
Projects Under Review

Applications for Site Certificate

• Boardman to Hemingway Transmission Line (Agenda Item G)
• Blue Marmot Solar Energy Facility
• Nolin Hills Wind Power Project
• Obsidian Solar Center

Requests for Amendment

• Carty Generating Station
• Eugene to Medford Transmission Line
• Montague Wind Power Facility
• Stateline Wind Project
• Perennial Wind Chaser Station
• Summit Ridge Wind Farm
Proposed Blue Marmot Solar Energy Facility

Facility: 60 MW solar photovoltaic energy generation facility
Site Boundary: 5,170 acres
ASC Status: Temporary NOI review suspension
Location: Lake County
Applicant: Blue Marmot Solar Park LLC
Parent Company: EDP Renewables North America, LLC
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*Processed under old amendment rules*
Eugene to Medford Transmission Line

Facility: 137-mile 500 kV transmission line, from Medford to Eugene
Operating Status:
Location: Eugene, Lane County, through Douglas County to Medford, Jackson County
Certificate Holder: PacifiCorp
Amendment Request: Site boundary expansion; new 17.6-mile 230 kV transmission line; new 500 kV substation; substation upgrades; 230 kV reconductor; access road modification
Amendment Status: pRFA under review
Montague Wind Power Facility

Facility: 404 MW Wind Energy Facility (as Approved)
Status: September 2017—Phase 1* Construction commenced; not yet operational
Location: Gilliam County
Certificate Holder: Montague Wind Power Facility, LLC (subsidiary of Avangrid Renewables, LLC)
Amendment Request: (Phase 2) Three proposed Design Scenarios
Amendment Status: pRFA under review

*pRFA4 introduced a “Phased” development approach to the approved facility. 56 of the previously approved 269 Turbines to be built as Phase 1.
Montague AMD4 Design Scenarios

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*On 10/22/2018, the Certificate Holder provided the Department a plan to modify Design Scenario B wind turbine dimension specifications. The proposed modifications include increasing both the maximum blade tip height to 182 meter (from 150 meters) and the nameplate capacity to 4.2 MW (from 3.6 MW), and reducing the total number of turbines to 48 (from 56 as proposed)
## Stateline Wind Project

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Perennial Wind Chaser Station

Facility: 415 MW simple cycle natural gas energy generation facility
Operating Status: Approved; not yet constructed
Location: Umatilla County
Certificate Holder: Perennial-WindChaser LLC
Parent Company: Perennial Power Holdings, Inc.
Amendment Request: Construction deadline extension
Amendment Status: pRFA under review
Summit Ridge Wind Farm

Facility: 194.4 MW wind energy generation facility
Operating Status: Approved, not yet constructed
Location: Wasco County
Certificate Holder: Summit Ridge Wind, LLC
Parent Company: Pattern Renewables 2 LP
Amendment Request: Construction deadline extension
Amendment Status: pRFA under review
Agenda Item I
(Information Item)

Wheatridge Wind Energy Facility:
Draft Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 2

October 26, 2018
Kellen Tardaewether, Senior Siting Analyst
Presentation Overview

• Certificate Holder/Facility and Facility Location Overview

• Site Certificate History

• Request for Amendment 2 (RFA2) Procedural History

• RFA2 Requested Facility Modifications

• Draft Proposed Order and Comments
## Facility Overview

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| Certificate Holder Parent Company: | NextEra Energy Resources LLC |
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- SCADA  
- access roads |
Facility Site/Site Boundary Location

Site Boundary
- Approximately 13,000 acres
- Private land, within Morrow/Umatilla counties

Site Certificate History
- Site Certificate effective May 2017
- One previous amendment (Aug 2017)
  - Transfer of certificate holder owner
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RFA2– Proposed Modifications

Related or Supporting Facilities:

- Two battery storage systems
- Interconnection facilities
- Fire suppression systems
- Cooling systems

Figure 1. Typical Battery Energy Storage System Schematic, Wheathridge Wind Energy Facility
RFA2– Proposed Battery Storage Facilities
Draft Proposed Order Comments

Reviewing Agency and Tribal Government Comments (as of 10/22/18)
• Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, non-substantive

Public Comments (as of 10/22/18)
• Certificate Holder
Council Scope of Review

Pursuant to OAR 345-027-0071, Council shall:

• Review draft proposed order
  • Evaluate compliance with applicable standards, laws that could be impacted by change
• Consider all comments received
• Provide comments to staff for consideration in the proposed order
Review of Draft Proposed Order

No substantive changes in previous Council Findings:

• [OAR 345-022-0040] – Protected Areas
• [OAR 345-022-0060] – Fish and Wildlife Habitat
• [OAR 345-022-0009] – Historic, Cultural and Archeological Resources
• [OAR 345-022-0100] – Recreation
• [OAR 345-022-0120] – Waste Minimization
• [OAR 345-024-0115] – Cumulative Effects Standard for Wind Energy Facilities
• [OAR 345-024-0090] – Siting Standards for Transmission Lines
• [OAR 340-035-0035] – Noise Control Regulations
• [ORS 196.800 through .990] – Removal-Fill Law
• [OAR 690 Division 537 and 590] – Water Rights
Review of Draft Proposed Order

**General Standard of Review [OAR 345-022-0000]**
Draft Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.9-12)

• Recommend Amendment of General Standard Condition 1
  - Clarify construction commencement deadline

• Recommend Amendment of General Standard Condition 2
  - Clarify construction completion deadline
Organizational Expertise [OAR 345-022-0010]
Draft Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.12-16)

• Recommended New Organizational Expertise Condition 10: Prior to and during construction, and during operations, certificate holder must provided evidence of contractual agreement with licensed hauler
Review of Draft Proposed Order

**Structural Standard [OAR 345-022-0020]**

Draft Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.16-20)

- Recommend Amendment of Structural Standard Condition 1: Submittal of a protocol, for Department and agency review, prior to completion of pre-construction site-specific geo-technical report
Review of Draft Proposed Order

Soil Protection [OAR 345-022-0022]
Draft Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.21-24)

• Recommend Amendment of Soil Protection Condition 5:
  Administrative changes to align with DEQ’s Hazardous Waste Program, and to clarify operational spill plans apply to battery storage systems
Review of Draft Proposed Order

Land Use [OAR 345-022-0030]
Draft Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.21-24)

• Recommend Amendment of Land Use Condition 3:
  Provide third-party technical report, with building permit applications, to allow Department and Morrow County opportunity to evaluate suitability of fire suppression system proposed for battery storage systems
Review of Draft Proposed Order

**Retirement and Financial Assurance [OAR 345-022-0050]**
Draft Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.42-47)

- **Recommended New R&FA Condition 6:**
  Monthly inspections; annual demonstration of coverage under commercial business insurance

- **Recommended Amendment of R&FA Condition 5:**
  Increase bond or letter of credit from $18.1 (Q1 2015) to $19.5 (Q3 2018)
Review of Draft Proposed Order

Threatened and Endangered Species [OAR 345-022-0070]
Draft Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.50-52)

- Recommended Amendment of T&E Condition 3:
  Clarify the survey area to be included in the preconstruction plant surveys
Review of Draft Proposed Order

Scenic Resources [OAR 345-022-0080]
Draft Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.52-54)

- Recommended Amendment of Scenic Resources Condition 1 and 2: Clarify that requirements of condition (lighting minimization, neutral finish) apply to the battery storage systems (structures)
Public Services [OAR 345-022-0010]
Draft Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.61-69)

• Recommended Amendment of Public Services Condition 4: Modify requirements of Operational Waste Management Plan, to apply to battery storage (includes references of 49 CFR 173.185)
Review of Draft Proposed Order

Public Health and Safety Standards for Wind Facilities [OAR 345-024-0010]
Draft Proposed Order, Section III.A (p.72-73)

• Recommended Amendment of PH&S Condition 2:
  Clarify fencing/gate requirements apply to the battery storage systems
Recommended Modifications in Proposed Order

1. Administrative conversion and edits; procedural history updates
2. Address comments received
   * 2 comments received prior to hearing - certificate holder and ODFW
3. Remove erroneous reference to recommended amendments to Public Services Condition 13 (PRE-PS-05)
Council Deliberation
Next Steps

September 26, 2018 or earlier:
• ODOE issuance of proposed order, addressing substantive comments within EFSC jurisdiction; and,
• ODOE issuance of public notice and notice of opportunity to request a contested case

Followed by:
• Council review of requests for contested case, and grant or denial of requests
• Contested case proceeding; or approval, modification or rejection of proposed order
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Biennial Fee Schedule Update

October 26, 2018
Sisily Fleming, Fiscal Analyst
## BIENNIAL FEE SCHEDULE UPDATE

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*Oregon Department of Energy*
### BIENNIAL FEE SCHEDULE UPDATE

#### EXPEDITED REVIEW

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#### OTHER TYPES OF REQUESTS

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Annual Financial Assurance Update
For the Retirement of Energy Facilities

October 26, 2018
Sisily Fleming, Fiscal Analyst
## Financial Institutions 2019 Review

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Ratified Council Order Appointing Consultant for Oregon State Historic Preservation Office Assistance

October 26, 2018
Todd Cornett, Secretary
Adjourn