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То:	Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council
From:	Todd R. Cornett, Assistant Director/Council Secretary
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Subject:	Agenda Item D (Information Item) – Proposed 2019 EFSC Meeting Dates for the October 25-26, 2018 EFSC Meeting.

Near the end of every year, the Council establishes its meeting schedule for the following year. In 2017, the Council held 11 meetings, 5 of which were two-day meetings and 2 were held by phone. Most recently, we have held 5 meetings in 2018 (as of October's meeting) and we anticipate needing both the November and December meetings, for a total of 7 EFSC meetings in 2018. All meetings have been and are anticipated to be in-person meetings, not telephone meetings.

Staff Recommendation

For 2019, staff recommends that Council continue the practice of setting monthly dates throughout the year. This allows for more predictability for the Council and applicants, and more flexibility for staff to accommodate the timing of project needs. The dates on the next page show what this might look like. It also demonstrates a need for availability in terms of ensuring a quorum.

Staff follow a prescribed schedule to prepare for each Council meeting. Based on this prescribed schedule, we will know no later than 5 weeks before each established monthly meeting whether there is a need for a Council meeting and whether one or two days will be needed.

If a meeting is not needed, or if a meeting is needed but only one day, we will release the meeting date(s). We will also convey this during the Council Secretary's report at each meeting and through the monthly Siting Division Project reports.

A Doodle Poll was sent last week asking for availability with the proposed meeting dates in 2019.

Please note, after the issuance of the Draft Proposed Order for the Boardman to Hemingway Transmission Line, there will be a need for five in-person hearings on the Draft Proposed Order during 2019. These will be held in the vicinity of the proposed facility and most likely will be in Ontario, Baker City, La Grande, Pendleton and Boardman. The timing of these hearings are not yet known and therefore they are not included on the proposed calendar.

PROPOSED EFSC MEETING DATES

2019 CALENDAR

