

# ENERGY FACILITY SITING COUNCIL

## Energy Facility Siting Council Meeting Notice and Agenda

Hotel Condon "Lori's Place Restaurant" 202 S. Main Street Condon, OR

Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. Friday, May 17, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

**Please Note:** Every effort will be made to consider items as they are indicated. However, the Council agenda and the order of agenda items are subject to change.

Thursday, May 16, 2019 (3:30 p.m.)

**A. Consent Calendar** – Approval of minutes; Council Secretary Report; and other routine Council business.

**B. Special Advisory Group Appointment (Action Item)** – Maxwell Woods, Senior Policy Advisor. Council will appoint the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners as the special advisory group for the proposed Madras Solar Project Application for Site Certificate. The applicant for the proposed solar facility is EcoPlexus.

**C. Boardman to Hemingway Transmission Line, Hearing Officer Appointment (Action Item)** – Maxwell Woods, Senior Policy Advisor. Council will consider appointment of a Hearing Officer from the Oregon Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct the contested case proceeding for the proposed Boardman to Hemingway Transmission Line project.

**D. Obsidian Solar Center, Update on Ratified Order for SHPO Consultant Appointment (Information Item)** – Maxwell Woods, Senior Policy Advisor. The Council will receive an update on the Department's use of consultants to provide the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office assistance in the review of impacts to resources protected under the Council's Historic, Cultural and Archeological standard (Oregon Administrative Rule 345-022-0090) for the preliminary Application for Site Certificate for the proposed Obsidian Solar Center.

**E. Montague Wind Power Facility, Draft Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 4 of the Site Certificate (Information Item)** – Chase McVeigh-Walker, Siting Analyst. The Council will receive a presentation on the Draft Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 4 of the Montague Wind Power Facility site certificate. Request for Amendment 4 seeks Council approval of the following modifications: expansion of the site boundary and micro-siting corridor; adding up to 81 wind turbines; adding a solar

photovoltaic generating system of up to 1,189 acres; adding a 100-megawatt battery storage system, and adding related or supporting facility components. A public comment period closes at the conclusion of the public hearing (Agenda Item F). On Agenda Item K, the Council will review the public comments and deliberate on the substance of the draft proposed order. The certificate holder's request for amendment and the Department's draft proposed order can be found on the Department's website at: <a href="https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/Pages/MWP.aspx">https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/Pages/MWP.aspx</a>

### Break

**F. [5:30 p.m.] Montague Wind Power Facility, Public Hearing on the Draft Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 4 of the Site Certificate (Hearing)** – Maxwell Woods, Senior Policy Advisor. The public hearing on the Draft Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 4 of the Montague Wind Power Facility site certificate will begin after Council receives a presentation from staff (Agenda Item E). The purpose of the hearing is for members of the public to provide verbal comments to Council members on Request for Amendment 4 and the Draft Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 4.

#### Friday, May 17, 2019 (8:30 a.m.)

**G. Stateline Wind Project, Request for Amendment 5 of the Site Certificate (Action Item)** – Sarah Esterson, Senior Siting Analyst. The Council will review the Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 5 of the Stateline Wind Project site certificate. Request for Amendment 5 is specific to Stateline 3, a geographic unit of the facility, and seeks approval to change the name of Stateline 3 to Vansycle II; repower 43 existing wind turbines, which includes replacing existing rotors (blades and hub) and gearbox (nacelles). Wind turbine repowering would increase the maximum blade tip height from 416 to 440 feet and rotor diameter from 305 to 354 feet, and would lower the minimum aboveground blade tip clearance from 111 to 85 feet. The amendment request also seeks approval for construction of temporary laydown and access roads, and new and amended conditions.

**H. Public Comment** – 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.

I. Summit Ridge Wind Farm, Council Decision on Requests for Contested Case; and the Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 4 of the Site Certificate (Action Items) – Maxwell Woods, Senior Policy Advisor. The Council will first consider any requests for contested case on the Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 4 of the Summit Ridge Wind Farm site certificate. If Council accepts a contested case request, it will direct a contested case to be conducted. If Council denies all contested case request(s), Council will proceed to review the Proposed Order on Amendment 4 and will either adopt, modify, or reject the proposed order as the final order. The amendment request seeks a two-year extension of the construction and completion deadlines.

- i. Council Decision on Requests for Contested Case The Council will consider requests for contested case on the Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 4.
- **ii. Council Decision on Proposed Order** Unless a contested case proceeding is granted, Council will proceed to review the Proposed Order on Amendment 4 and will either adopt, modify, or reject the proposed order as the final order.

J. [WORKING LUNCH] 2019 Administrative Housekeeping Rulemaking (Action Item) – Christopher Clark, Rulemaking Coordinator. Council will review staff recommendations for rule changes and consider authorizing staff to issue a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

#### Break

K. Montague Wind Power Facility, Draft Proposed Order on Request for Amendment 4 of the Site Certificate (Information Item) – Chase McVeigh-Walker, Siting Analyst. Council will review the draft proposed order, consider comments received on the record of the draft proposed order public hearing, and may provide comments to staff on the draft proposed order for consideration in the proposed order.

#### Adjourn

Anticipated Future Energy Facility Siting Council Meetings: June 18-20 and June 26-27; July TBD; Aug. 22-23; Sept. 26-27; Oct. 24-25; Nov. 21-22; Dec. 19-20. Locations to be determined.

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