



ENERGY FACILITY SITING COUNCIL

Energy Facility Siting Council Meeting Notice and Agenda

**Columbia Gorge Discovery Center - Classroom
5000 Discovery Drive
The Dalles, OR**

Friday, March 13, 2020 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.

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Roll Call and Opening Remarks

- A. Consent Calendar** – Approval of minutes; Council Secretary Report; and other routine Council business.
- B. Bakeoven Solar Project, Council Review of Draft Proposed Order and Public Comments (Information Item)** – Sarah Esterson, Senior Siting Analyst will present the Draft Proposed Order (DPO) for the Bakeoven Solar Project and comments received during the DPO comment period, which extended from January 17 through February 25, 2020 for members of the public and through February 28, 2020 for the applicant, Bakeoven Solar, LLC (subsidiary of Avangrid Renewables, LLC) to respond for their review and comment. The proposed facility includes up to 303 megawatts of solar photovoltaic power generation equipment and its related or supporting facilities, occupying up to 2,717 acres in eastern Wasco County, near Maupin, Oregon.
- C. Legislative Updates (Information Item)** – Maxwell Woods, Senior Policy Advisor will provide an update on the short legislative session and bills related to ODOE, EFSC, and state-level energy policy.
- D. Council Review of Boardman Coal Monitoring Program (Action Item)** – Maxwell Woods, Senior Policy Advisor. Council will consider a change requested by Portland General Electric (PGE) to the terrestrial ecological monitoring program at the Boardman Coal facility. PGE requests to discontinue the annual aerial photography monitoring program.
- E. Public Comment Period** – This time is reserved for the public to address the Council regarding any item within Council jurisdiction that is not otherwise closed for comment. Note that the public comment timeframe related to the Bakeoven Solar Project Draft Proposed Order is closed.

- F. **Annual Work Plan (Information Item)** – Sean Mole, Operations Analyst will present the Energy Siting Division’s annual work plan that focuses on current process improvement activities. The work plan provides a record of completed tasks and a list of identified future tasks.
- G. **(Working Lunch) Contested Case Process Overview (Information Item)** – Patrick Rowe, Legal Counsel will present an overview of the contested case process.

Please Note: this agenda item will include 15 minutes for questions by members of the public.

- H. **Wheatridge Wind Energy Facility, Council Review of Site Certificate Condition Exception Request for Laurent’s Milkvetch (Action Item)** – Sarah Esterson, Senior Siting Analyst will present a site certificate condition exception request, which includes the certificate holder’s (Wheatridge Wind LLC – NextEra Energy Resources) impact assessment and proposed mitigation plan, as reviewed by the Department in consultation with Oregon Department of Agriculture, for potential construction-related impacts to a state-listed threatened plant species – Laurent’s milkvetch (*Astragalus collinus var. laurentii*). Council may approve, modify or reject the certificate holder’s exception request.
- I. **Rulemaking Initiation to Clarify Standard for Contested Case Requests for Type A Amendments (Action Item)** – Maxwell Woods, Senior Policy Advisor. Council will consider whether or not to conduct rulemaking to clarify the standard that must be met for an issue to justify a contested case proceeding in the Type A amendment review process under OAR 345-027-0371(9).

Adjourn approximately 2:20 pm

Anticipated Future Energy Facility Siting Council Meetings:

- **April 23-24, 2020** – Silver Lake, OR/TBD
- **May 21-22, 2020** – Location TBD
- **June 25-26, 2020** – Location TBD

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