



# ENERGY FACILITY SITING COUNCIL

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## Energy Facility Siting Council Meeting Notice and Agenda

**Friday March 21, 2025 8:30 AM**

**Oregon Department of Energy  
550 Capitol St. NE  
Salem, OR 97301**

**WebEx Webinar Information:**  
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### **Roll Call and Opening Remarks**

- A. Consent Calendar (Action Item & Information Item)** – Approval of January 17, 2025 minutes; Council Secretary Report; and other routine Council business.
- B. Madras Solar Energy Facility Amendment 1 (Action Item)** – Chase McVeigh Walker, Senior Siting Analyst. Council will review the Proposed Order and any contested case requests. The site certificate authorizes construction and operation of a 63 megawatt (MW) solar facility in Jefferson County. The amendment request seeks approval to extend the construction commencement deadline by 3 years
- C. Application Process Phase 2 Rulemaking (Action Item)** – Tom Jackman, Rules Coordinator will present for consideration by Council permanent rules related to better align the application requirements in OAR 345-020 and 021 with the standards in OAR 345-022 to 345-024 and improve the consistency of rules and the application process.
- D. Public Comment Period (Information Item)** – This time is reserved for the public to address the Council regarding any item within Council jurisdiction that is not otherwise closed for comment.

Per OAR 345-011-0020 the Chair establishes the duration of the time for individual commenters at 7 minutes, but may lengthen or shorten that timeframe as the length of the meeting and timing and duration of other Council business dictate.

- E. Exemptions Rulemaking Initiation (Action Item)** – Tom Jackman, Rules Coordinator. The Council will consider staff's recommendation to initiate the Exemptions Rulemaking (OAR 345-015-0350 – 0380).
- F. Modernization Rulemaking Initiation (Action Item)** – Tom Jackman, Rules Coordinator. The Council will consider staff's recommendation to initiate the Modernization Rulemaking.
- G. Wildfire Mitigation Plan Templates (Information Item)** – Kellen Tardaewether, Senior Siting Analyst will present draft construction and operational Wildfire Mitigation Plan Templates that may be used under the Wildfire Prevention and Risk Mitigation standard (OAR 345-022-0115).
- H. Cascade Renewable Transmission Project (Action Item)** – Christopher Clark, Senior Siting Analyst. The Council will consider the applicant's request to extend the expiration of the Notice of Intent by one year per OAR 345-020-0060.

**Anticipated Adjournment at 1:10 p.m.**

**Anticipated Future Energy Facility Siting Council Meetings:**

- **May 15-16, 2025**
- **June 12-13, 2025**

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