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Subject: Agenda Item D (Public Hearing): Tribal Communications Rulemaking Public Comment Hearing for the March 19-20, 2026 EFSC Meeting

Attachments: Attachment 1: February 13, 2026 Staff Report for Tribal Communications Rulemaking

At its February 13, 2026 meeting, the Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC or Council) authorized issuance of a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) for amendments to EFSC's Notice of Intent rules in OAR 345-020-0011(q). At that same meeting, EFSC authorized staff to schedule a public hearing on the proposed rules, which it did so for March 20, 2026. The NOPR was filed with the Oregon Secretary of State on February 18, 2026. Oral comments will be accepted at the hearing, both in-person at the ODOE Salem office and virtually via the web link, found at EFSC's rulemaking webpage and in the meeting agenda. Additionally, a written public comment period is now open and will close at 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2026. All written comments must be received by the deadline.

Any written public comments received prior to the March 20, 2026 meeting will be provided to the Council prior to the meeting. None have been submitted as of the drafting of this report. Any comments received after the public hearing will be provided to Council prior to their review and possible decision on amended rules.

Aside from staff's submission of the NOPR and EFSC's scheduling of the public comment period and hearing discussed above, nothing has changed regarding this rulemaking since Council's review of Agenda Item D at the February 13, 2026 meeting. The staff report and associated attachments are included as Attachment 1 to this report.