

PUBLIC NOTICE



Montague Wind Power Facility

Receipt of Preliminary Request for Amendment 5

Summary:

Date Notice Issued: April 27, 2020

Request: Montague Wind Power Facility, LLC (certificate holder) seeks Energy Facility Siting Council (Council) approval of a fifth amendment to the Montague Wind Power Facility site certificate. Preliminary Request for Amendment 5 (pRFA5) seeks Council approval for the following site certificate changes: reduction in site boundary area from 47,056 to 42,946 acres; expansion of solar micro-siting corridor area from 1,189 to 2,725 acres; construction and operation of a new switching station; removal of site certificate Condition 89(a); splitting of the existing site certificate into three new site certificates for facilities to be named Montague Wind, Montague Solar and Oregon Trail Solar; and, transfer of site certificates for Montague Solar and Oregon Trail Solar to new limited liability companies (LLC), Montague Solar, LLC and Oregon Trail Solar, LLC, both wholly owned subsidiaries of the current certificate holder owner, Avangrid Renewables, LLC. The certificate holder requests Type B Review of pRFA5.

Facility Location: Northeastern Gilliam County

Information Only: Please note, this notice is to provide early notification of pRFA5. There is no comment period associated with this phase of the review.

Review Process: Certificate holder's request for "Type B" amendment process is under review.

Introduction: On April 20, 2020, the Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE), staff to Council, received pRFA5 for the Montague Wind Power Facility site certificate. In pRFA5, the certificate holder includes a request that the amendment be processed under Type B review per OAR 345-027-0357(8).

Description of Facility (Operational/Approved): The Montague Wind Power Facility is an approved 404 megawatt (MW) wind and solar energy generation facility, to be developed in phases (Phase 1 and

Phase 2). Phase 1 includes 56 wind turbines (201 MW) and related or supporting facilities, and commenced commercial operation in October 2019. Phase 2 is approved to include up to 81 wind turbines, up to 1,189 acres of solar photovoltaic energy generation equipment, totaling 203 MW, and related or supporting facilities.

Facility Location: Montague Wind Power Facility is located within a site boundary containing 47,056 acres on private land in northeast Gilliam County, within 5 miles south of the City of Arlington, within 1 mile north of the community of Olex and located on both sides of Highway 19. For detailed maps, please see Figures 1-5 in pRFA5 on the [Department's website](#), or visit our online mapping tool at <https://tinyurl.com/EFSCmap>.

Current and Next Review Phase: The current preliminary request for amendment phase consists of staff reviewing the request to ensure there is information adequate for Council to make findings or impose conditions on all applicable Council standards. Once the amendment request is determined complete by staff, staff will issue a Public Notice and Draft Proposed Order (initial staff recommendation), notifying members of the public of a comment period.

If staff determines that Type A review should be maintained, there will be a Draft Proposed Order (DPO) public hearing in front of Council in the vicinity of the facility and the DPO comment period will conclude at the close of the DPO public hearing. If staff determines Type B review process is justified, the comment period will be a written comment period only and will conclude on the date indicated in the DPO Public Notice.

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1. You own property within or adjacent to (within 500 feet) the property on which the facility is located. You will automatically receive all future notices on this facility.

2. You have requested to receive paper notices on the Montague Wind Power Facility. If you wish to be removed from this mailing lists, please contact Sarah Esterson.
3. You have previously signed up via GovDelivery/ClickDimensions or by contacting ODOE to receive notices related to the Montague Wind Power Facility or all EFSC project-related notices. You will automatically receive all future notices per your request, unless you unsubscribe via ClickDimensions or by contacting ODOE.

More Information:

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More information about the facility and updates on the review process is available using any of the following options.

1) Oregon Department of Energy’s webpage:

More details on Montague Wind Power Facility including the certificate holder’s pRFA5 and Type B Review request are available online at:
<https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/Pages/MWP.aspx>

Additional resources to help you participate in the state siting process can be found at:
<http://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/pages/default.aspx>

2) Updates by email/mail:

Subscribe to ClickDimensions, a self-managed, automated email system that sends notices and updates on Montague Wind Power Facility as well as any or all other energy facilities and events under EFSC jurisdiction. For more information, please visit:
<https://tinyurl.com/ODOE-EFSC>.

To receive notices by U.S. Mail, please contact Sarah Esterson.

3) In hardcopy:

Hard copies of the preliminary Request for Amendment 5 are available for public inspection at:

Oregon Department of Energy
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Salem, OR 97301

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Figure 1: Proposed Site Boundaries of New Split Site Certificates

