

BEFORE THE
ENERGY FACILITY SITING COUNCIL
OF THE STATE OF OREGON

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR SITE
CERTIFICATE FOR THE CASCADE RENEWABLE
TRANSMISSION SYSTEM

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ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF THE
NOTICE OF INTENT EXPIRATION DATE
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1 On March 7, 2023, Cascade Renewable Transmission, LLC (applicant) submitted a Notice of Intent for the
2 Cascade Renewable Transmission System (proposed facility), a proposed 320-kilovolt (kV) high-voltage
3 direct current (HVDC) transmission line that would be installed in the Columbia River between The
4 Dalles and Portland with related or supporting facilities.
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6 On July 25, 2023, the Department issued a Project Order establishing the statutes, administrative rules,
7 Council standards, local ordinances, and other requirements for the site certificate application.
8 Consistent with the requirements of OAR 345-020-0060, the Project Order establishes March 7, 2025, as
9 the expiration date of the Notice of Intent.
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11 Under OAR 345-020-0060, the Notice of Intent expires two years after its date of submission unless, at
12 least 45 days before the expiration date, the applicant submits a petition to extend the expiration date.
13 If the Council finds that the petition shows good cause, the Council may extend the expiration date for a
14 period of up to one year.
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16 On January 16, 2025, the applicant submitted a petition to extend the expiration date of the Notice of
17 Intent by one year. Because the applicant submitted the petition more than 45 days before the NOI
18 expiration date, the Council finds the petition was submitted timely.
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20 The petition explains that the extension is needed to allow sufficient time to complete resource studies
21 required to demonstrate compliance with state and federal laws, and ensure studies respond to
22 comments submitted by tribal governments during the US Army Corps of Engineers tribal consultation
23 process. The Council finds that the need for additional time to ensure required surveys and resource
24 studies meet the requirements of all affected jurisdictions and respond to tribal concerns represents
25 good cause for an extension of the Notice of Intent expiration date.
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27 Because the applicant has timely submitted a petition to extend the Notice of Intent expiration date that
28 demonstrates good cause for the extension, the Council grants the applicant's request.
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30 THEREFORE, the Council orders the Project Order be amended to extend the NOI expiration date to
31 March 7, 2026.



[Kent Howe \(Mar 26, 2025 15:09 PDT\)](#)

Kent Howe, Chair
Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council

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