

Oregon Department of ENERGY

Energy Facility Siting

Saddle Butte Energy Facility Notice of Intent Informational Meeting

January 13, 2026
Veteran's Memorial Hall
Condon, OR

5:30 p.m. - Meet and Greet with ODOE and Applicant
6:00 p.m. - Presentations followed by Q&A/Comments



Agenda

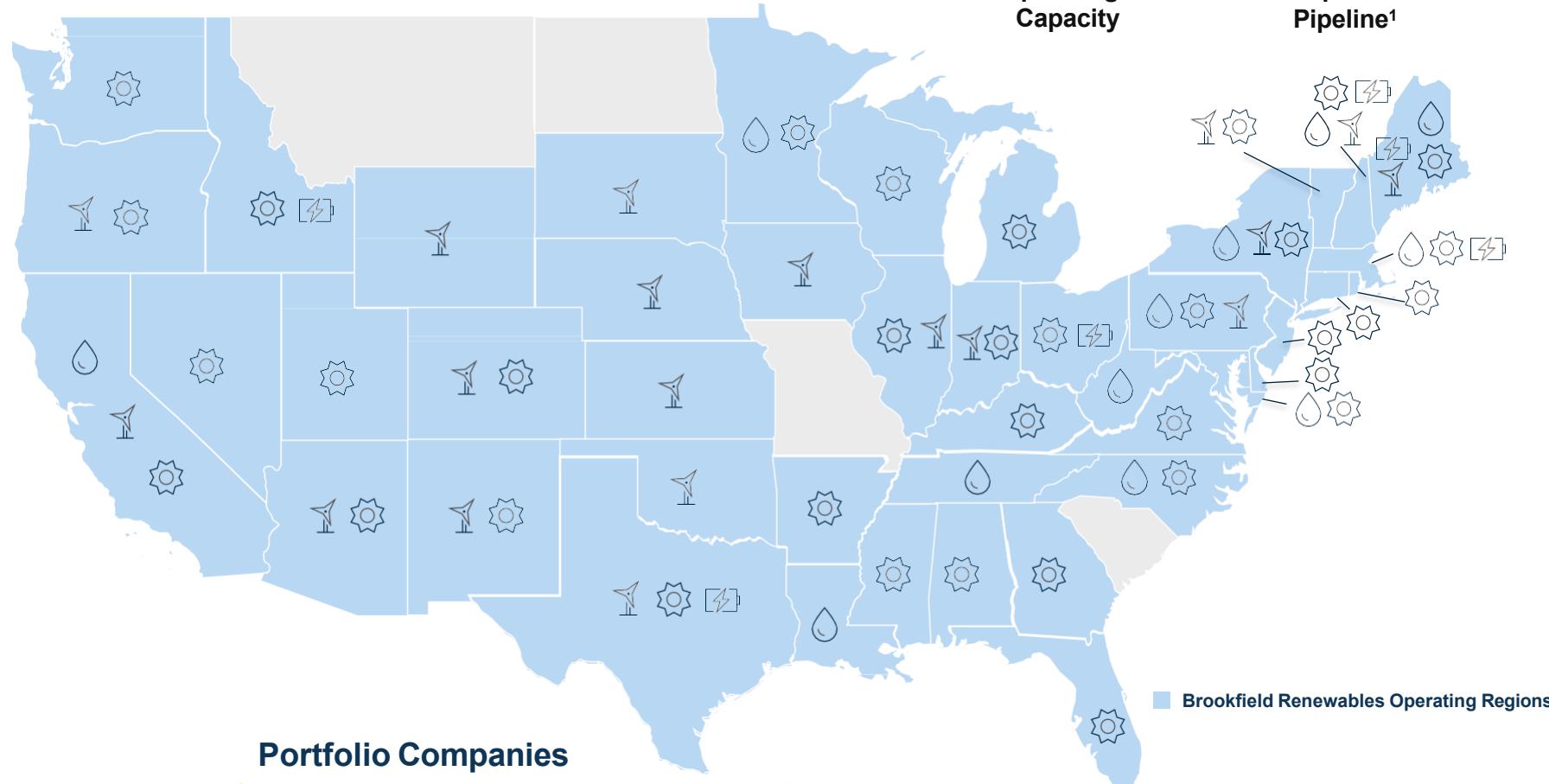
TIME	TOPIC	PRESENTER
5:30 pm	Meet and Greet with ODOE & Applicant	All
6:00 pm	Proposed Saddle Butte Energy Facility Information	Applicant
6:15 pm	Oregon's Energy Facility Siting Program	Chase McVeigh-Walker, Senior Siting Analyst
6:30 pm	Q&A, and Comments	All



Saddle Butte Energy Facility Gilliam County, Oregon

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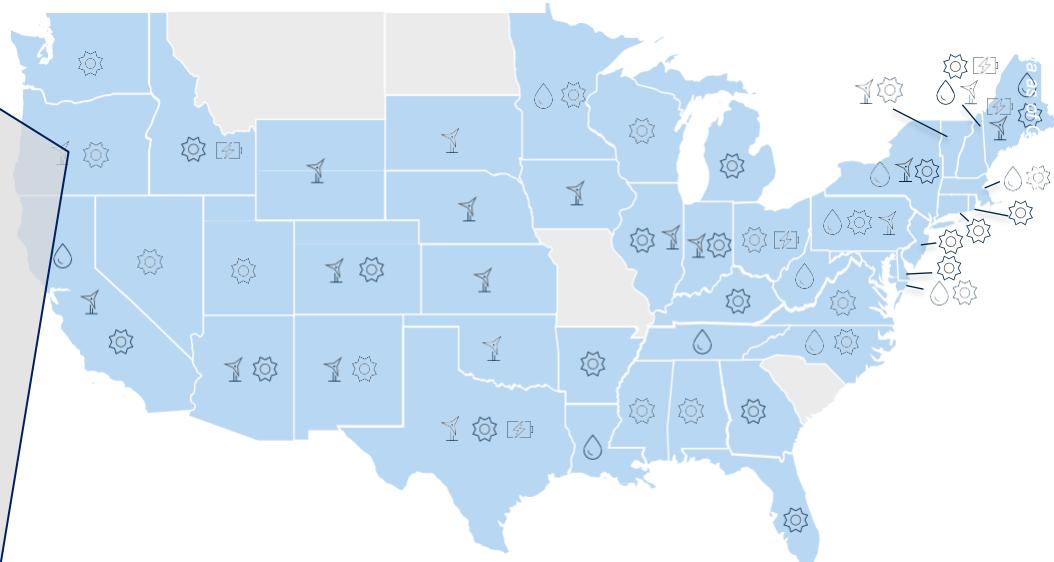
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TerraForm
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PNW Operational & Development Capacity 3,561 MW

SADDLE BUTTE ENERGY FACILITY: PROJECT SUMMARY

Project Size & Location

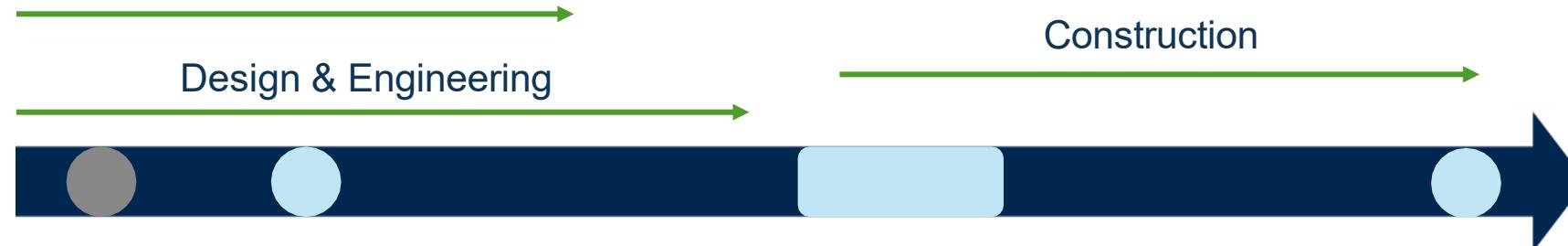
- Located in Gilliam County, OR approximately 7 miles SW of Arlington
- Sited across ~11,500 acres of privately owned land
- Up to 70 wind turbines and 488 MW
- Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) option for up to 488 MW & 4-hr

Interconnection

- Connecting to existing BPA 500kV transmission line within the project area via new BPA switchyard
- Project not impacted by queue reform. Executed Engineering and Procurement Agreement with BPA to begin switchyard design and procurement of long-lead equipment

Anticipated Schedule:

Stakeholder Engagement &
Environmental Studies



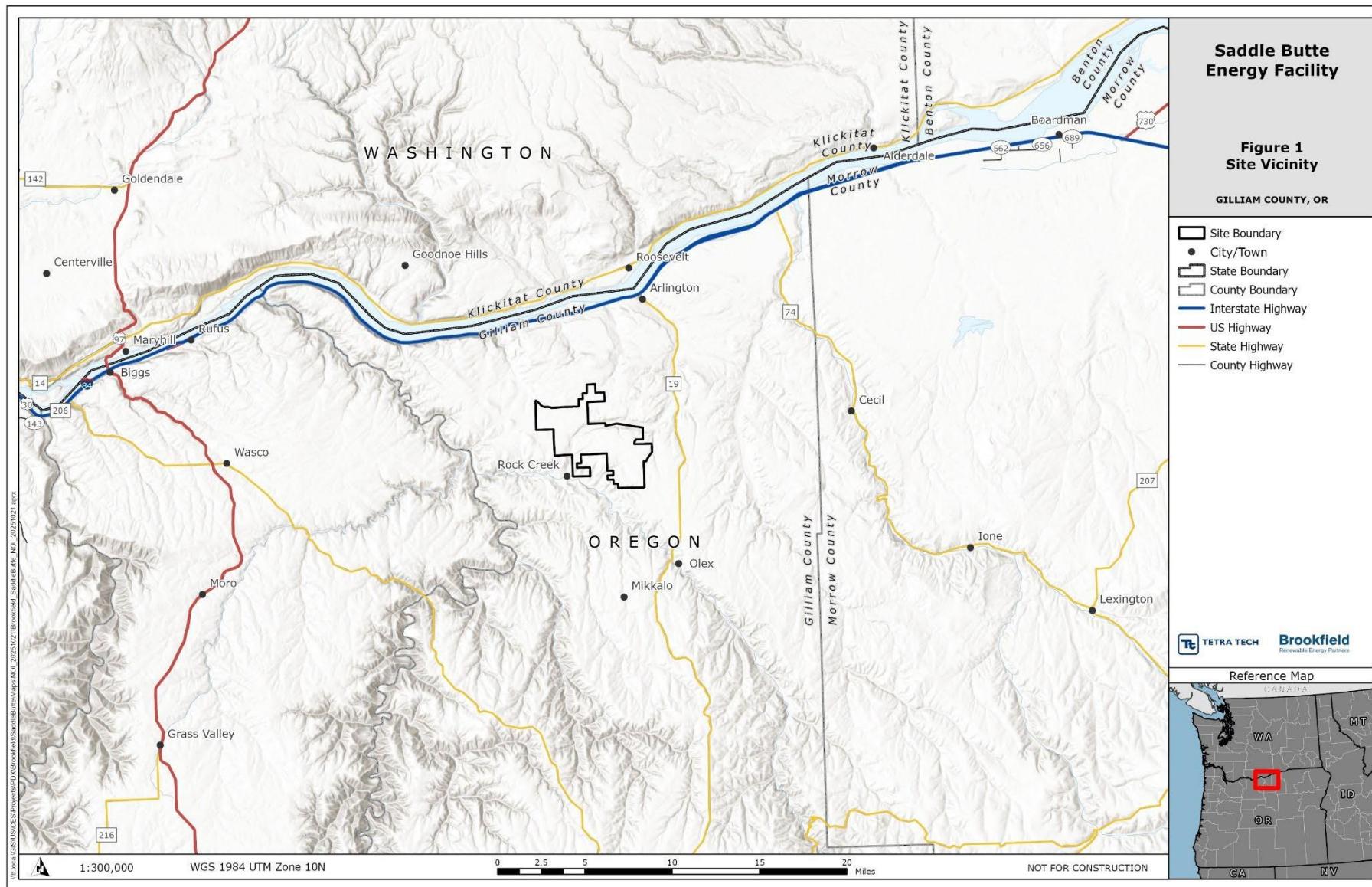
Q4 2025
NOI
Submitted

Q2 2026
EFSC
Preliminary
Application for
Site Certificate

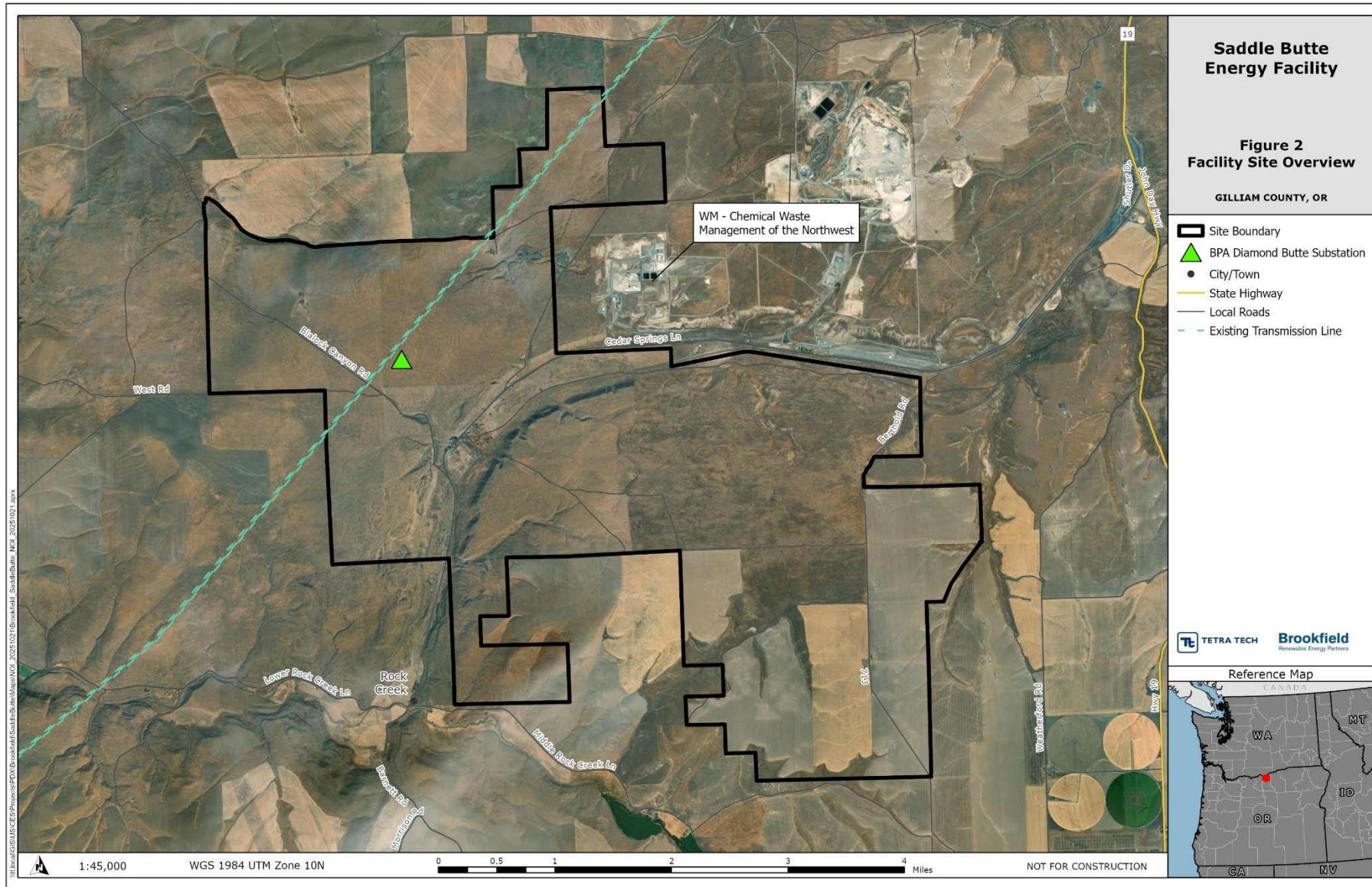
Q2 - Q4 2027
Construction Begins
– Pending issuance
of Site Certificate

Q2 2029
Commercial
Operation
Begins

REGIONAL MAP



SADDLE BUTTE PROJECT AREA



PROPOSED FACILITY

- Wind Turbines – Up to 70
- Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) – Up to 488 MW x 4-hr
- 2 x collector substations
- 34.5 kV collector cables and fiberoptic cables (mostly underground)
- 230 kV transmission line connecting collector substations (~2.5-mile interior to project area)
- Access & service roads
- Operations & maintenance building
- Temporary construction areas
- Perimeter fencing & gates (for collector substations and BESS)

AGENCY & STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH

- Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife:
 - Held multiple meetings, study plan review/concurrence and on-site visit
- Gilliam County:
 - Held Pre-NOI meetings with Judge and Commissioners
 - Held in-person meetings with Planning Director and North Gilliam Fire
 - Working with Gilliam County and Business Oregon towards Strategic Investment Program (SIP) agreement
- Cultural:
 - Started early engagement and outreach with state identified tribes, conducted in person meetings, and had tribal participation in cultural surveys

SURVEYS & STUDIES

- Several surveys were completed during 2025 to inform engineering and design; allowing for avoidance and minimization of impact on sensitive resources
- Completed surveys (pending final reports):
 - Raptor Nest Surveys
 - Eagle / Avian Use
 - Bat Acoustic Surveys
 - Washington Ground Squirrel Surveys
 - General Wildlife and Habitat Surveys
 - Wetlands and Waters Delineation
 - Rare Plant Surveys
 - Cultural Resources/Built Environment
- Studies that are ongoing or will be completed following advanced design include geotechnical, sound, visual, economic impact, traffic impact, and emergency service coordination

SADDLE BUTTE ENERGY FACILITY: BESS EXAMPLE



Black Springs BESS (120 MW x 2hrs) – Palo Pinto, TX

Questions/Discussion



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Oregon's Energy Facility Siting Program



Who We Are

Oversees review, decision-making, and compliance for most large-scale energy-generating facilities and infrastructure in Oregon.

- Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC) is the decision-making authority.
- Oregon Department of Energy's (ODOE) Siting Division serves as staff to EFSC.

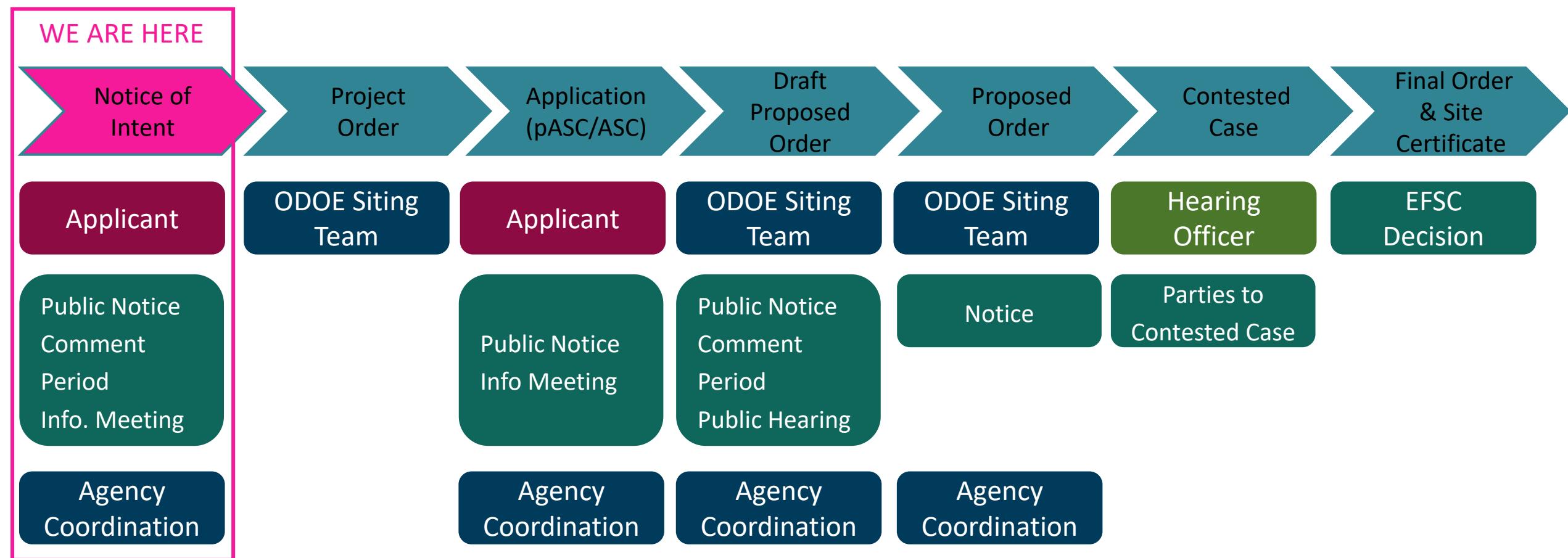


What We Do

Consolidated process between state agencies and local government:

- Eliminates duplication, consolidates timelines, decisions, and judicial review
- Reviews proposal for compliance with applicable standards, laws, and rules.
- Provides opportunities for public participation and comment.
- Coordinates review and solicits input from reviewing agencies, local governments, and tribal governments.

Application Process for Site Certificate



Commenting on a Notice of Intent

When: December 30, 2025 – **January 30, 2026, at 5 p.m. Pacific Time (deadline)**

What: Provide detailed/specific comments related to the proposed facility and risks or impacts to resources protected by an EFSC standard.

Why: Issues and impacts identified in comments provide information for consideration in establishing studies and applicable requirements, and can result in inclusion of important information, evaluation and mitigation in a preliminary Application for Site Certificate/Application for Site Certificate

How: See next slide

How to Submit Comments

Comments can be submitted in writing:

- At this meeting
- Via mail to ODOE's Salem office
- Via email to Siting Analyst Chase McVeigh-Walker at: chase.mcveigh-walker@energy.Oregon.gov
- Through our comment portal available at:
<https://odoe.powerappspartals.us/en-US/SitingPublicComment/>

Additional details on how to comment can be found in the Public Notice and on the facility webpage:

<https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/Pages/SBEF.aspx>

How to Use ODOE Comment Portal

- Go To: <https://odoe.powerappspportals.us/en-US/SitingPublicComment/>
- From the drop-down menu select “Saddle Butte Energy Facility NOI”
- Follow the prompts to create a comment
- Submit your comments

You will receive an email confirmation of your submittal.

Reminder: Public Comment Period Closes on January 30, 2026, at 5 p.m. Pacific Time

What happens to your comments?

- Provided to applicant for review/consideration
- Evaluated by the ODOE; discussed with reviewing agencies, tribal governments and special advisory group (local government), as applicable, to establish requirements
- If comments identify issues or resources within EFSC jurisdiction, provide sufficient detail, and are not already existing requirements, the Project Order may require an evaluation or study related to the comment.

Q&A Session & Comments

We will call on you

In Person: Please complete a comment card with your name and contact information and hand it in to ODOE staff

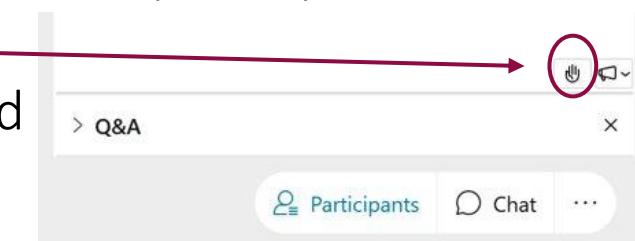
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Phone Participants: We will call on you

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Helpful Resource Links

Energy Facility Siting Website: <https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/Pages/default.aspx>

EFSC Public Guide: <https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/Documents/Fact-Sheets/EFSC-Public-Guide.pdf>

EFSC Siting Standards: <https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/Pages/Siting-Standards.aspx>

ORESA Mapping Tool: <https://www.oregon.gov/energy/energy-oregon/Pages/ORESA.aspx>

Facilities Under EFSC: <https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/Pages/Facilities-Under-EFSC.aspx>

EFSC Comment Portal: <https://odoe.powerappsportals.us/en-US/SitingPublicComment/>



Thank you

Email questions to: chase.mcveigh-walker@energy.oregon.gov