Oregon Department of ENERGY

Energy Facility Siting
Process Overview for the
Bonanza Energy Facility
Informational Meeting

Virtual Meeting – Teleconference and Online via WebEx

October 13, 2020 **Begins at 5:30 pm**









Oregon's Energy Facility Siting Program

- Primary Purpose
- Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC)
- Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE)
- Consolidated Review
- Standards-based
- Public participation
- Application Submittal



EFSC Standards:

- General Standard of Review
- Organizational Expertise
- Structural Standard
- Soil Protection
- Land Use
- Protected Areas
- Retirement and Financial Assurance Public Services
- Fish and Wildlife Habitat

- Threatened and Endangered **Species**
- Scenic Resources
- Historic, Cultural and Archaeological Resources
- Recreation
- Waste Minimization
- Plus specific standards depending on facility type



Application for Site Certificate process

Notice of Intent

Project Order Application (pASC and ASC)

Draft Proposed Order

Proposed Order

Contested Case

Final Order and Site Certificate

Applicant

ODOE

Applicant

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Hearing Officer ODOE & EFSC

Public Comment

Agency Coordination Agency Coordination Public Comment

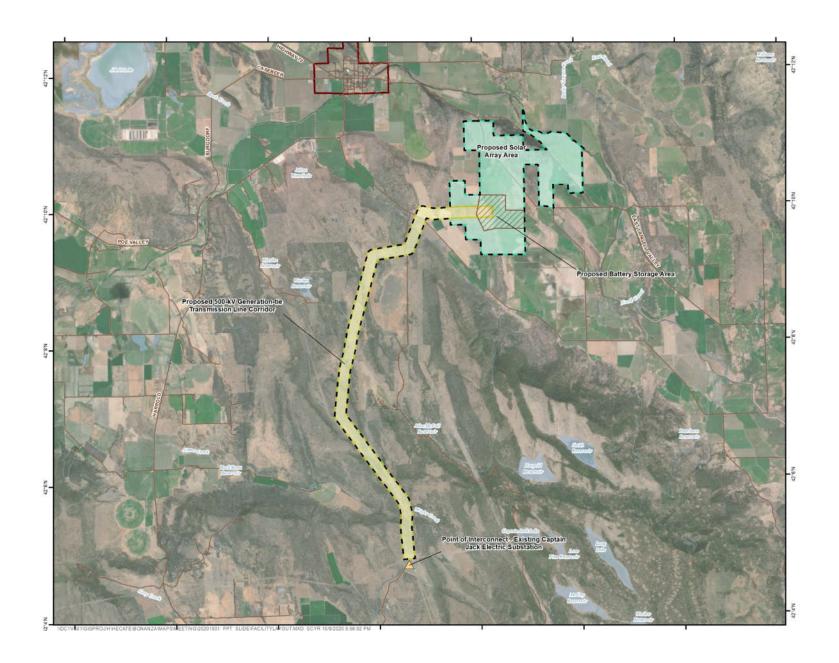
Agency Coordination



Bonanza Energy Facility

- Applicant: Hecate Energy Bonanza LLC (a wholly owned subsidiary of Hecate Energy NAF LLC)
- Proposed Facility: Solar PV generating between 150 MW and 300 MW and related or supporting facilities
- <u>Site Boundary:</u> Located on up to 2,733 acres in Klamath County, approximately 1 mile southeast of Bonanza and 26 miles east of Klamath Falls





Permitting Thresholds for Solar PV Facilities

Large Solar PV Facilities are under EFSC's Jurisdiction

A solar photovoltaic power generation facility using more than:

- i. 160 acres located on high-value farmland;
- ii. 1,280 acres located on land that is predominantly cultivated or predominantly composed of soils in NRSC capability classes I to IV;
 or
- iii. 1,920 acres located on any other land



Land Use

EFSC will make the land use determination

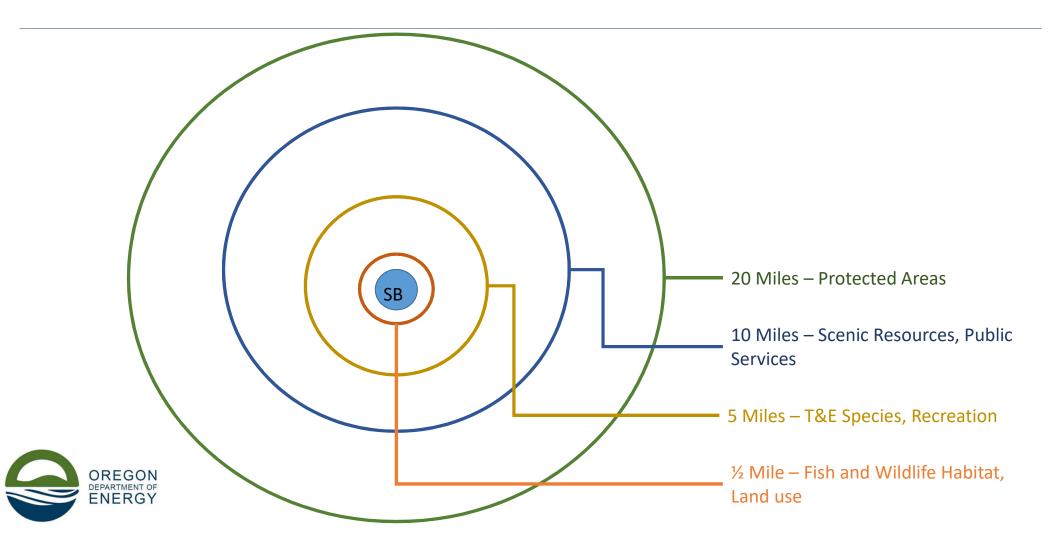
- Applicant seeks a Council land use determination under ORS 469.504(1)(b)
- Klamath County Board of Commissioners is Special Advisory Group
- Facility will be evaluated against:
 - local applicable substantive criteria determined by the Special Advisory Group
 - directly applicable state statutes and administrative rules
- Facility will require an exception to Statewide Planning Goal 3

Agency Review Request and Notice of Intent (NOI) Phase

- Reviewing Agencies and Special Advisory Groups:
 - Provide comments on the proposed facility within the jurisdiction or expertise of the agency
 - Recommendations regarding the size and location of analysis area(s)
 - A list of studies that should be conducted to identify potential impacts
 - A list of statutes, administrative rules, applicable substantive criteria, and local government ordinances administered by the agency
 - A list of any permits administered by the agency that might apply to construction or operation of the proposed facility



Study Area



EFSC Facilities Webmap

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Facilities Under EFSC



Before a large energy facility is built in Oregon, a developer must apply for a site certificate from the Energy Facility Siting Council. The types of energy facilities subject to council jurisdiction are defined in Oregon Revised Statute 469.300 and explained on this page: Types of Facilities Under Council Jurisdiction.

Some types of energy facilities that would otherwise need a site certificate are exempt from council jurisdiction.

If a developer receives a site certificate from EFSC, it can begin constructing and operating the facility. Occasionally a developer with a site certificate will apply for an amendment to the site certificate. That amendment process, like the site certificate process, must go through EFSC for approval.

Listed below are projects/facilities that are either approved for construction, under review for a site certificate or amendment, exempt, or terminated. You may also view a map of all EPSC-jurisdiction facilities IC* in Oregon.









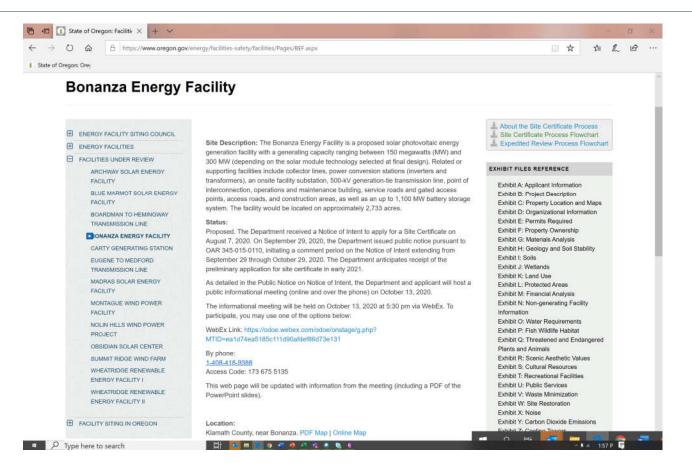
Facilities

Sort by Facility, Facility Type or Status by clicking on the column labels Click on the info icon to see more information

info	Facility	Description	Status	Capacity	County(s)
0	Blue Marmot Solar Energy Facility	Solar	Proposed	60 MW	Lake
0	Boardman Solar Energy Facility	Solar	Proposed	75 MW	Morrow, Gilliam
0	Boardman to Hemingway Transmission Line	Transmission Line	Proposed	300-mile, 500 kV	Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Baker, Malheur, Owyhee (Idaho)
0	Nolin Hills Wind Power Project	Wind	Proposed	350 MW	Umatilla
0	Obsidian Solar Center	Solar	Pronosed	ANN MAN	Lake



EFSC Bonanza Project Page



Helpful Links

Webpages to help understand the State Energy Siting process

- Public Guide
- Siting Project Updates
- About the Siting Process
- Siting Standards
- Siting Statutes & Rules
- Fact Sheets

https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/Pages/default.aspx



Email Notices

Click Dimensions Email System

- Bonanza Energy Facility
- All projects
- Council meetings
- Rulemakings
- Any combination of the above

http://web.energy.oregon.gov/cn/a6n53/subscribe



Public Comment Period and Notice of Intent (NOI) Phase

Public Comment Period:

- Opportunity for the public to comment on the proposed facility. All written comments submitted to ODOE are on-the-record and provided to the applicant.
- Comment period closes on Thursday, October 29, 2020.

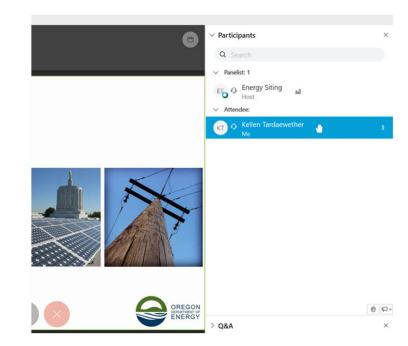


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Q&A and Comments

- On WebEx Webinar based on those who used the hand raising feature.
- On the Phone (Last Name Beginning With):
 - A F
 - G L
 - M R
 - S Z





The Department will Establish Time Limits, if Necessary.

Thank You for Your Patience While We Work on This.