

ENERGY FACILITY SITING COUNCIL

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Meeting Notice and Agenda

Friday July 24, 2026 8:30 AM

ODOE Office/ Meitner Room
550 Capitol St. NE
Salem, Oregon

Friday Teams Webinar Information:

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- A. **Consent Calendar (Action & Information Item)** – Approval of June 26, 2026, Draft Meeting Minutes; Council Secretary Report; and other routine Council business.
- B. **(8:50 A.M.) Wheatridge Renewable Energy Facility East Request for Amendment 2 – Proposed Order Public Hearing (Public Hearing)** – The Wheatridge Renewable Energy Facility East is an approved 300 MW wind project with 200 MW operational. Request for Amendment 2 seeks to split the facility into two site certificates. The first would be the 200 MW operational portion and the second would be the 100 MW not yet constructed portion.
1. **Overview:** Sarah Esterson, Senior Policy Advisor, will provide an overview of the siting process and the proposed amendment.
 2. **Public Hearing:** Ms. Esterson, acting as the Presiding Officer, will explain the legal requirements for providing comments on the record and will facilitate the hearing. Interested individuals will have an opportunity to provide oral testimony on the proposed amendment and Proposed Order. The duration of the time for individual commenters is 7 minutes but may be lengthened or shortened by the Presiding Officer. Written comments may also be submitted to the Department through the close of the public comment period, July 31, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.
- C. **Buckley Solar Facility Notice of Intent Extension Request (Action Item)** – Kathleen Sloan, Senior Siting Analyst. Council will review a request to extend the expiration of the Notice of Intent by one year, to August 17, 2027. The facility is a proposed 1,200 MW solar photovoltaic power generation facility in Sherman County.

D. (9:30 A.M.) Radioactive Material Transport Fee Rulemaking (Public Hearing) – This rulemaking is intended to change the fees paid by carriers for certain placarded shipments that support training for first responders and other emergency response personnel along radioactive material transportation routes.

1. Overview: Tom Jackman, Siting Policy Analyst & Rules Coordinator, will provide an overview of the proposed rules and the steps in the rulemaking process to date.
2. Public Hearing: Mr. Jackman, acting as the Presiding Officer, will explain the legal requirements for providing comments on the record and will facilitate the public hearing. Interested individuals will have an opportunity to provide oral testimony on the proposed rule language. The duration of time for individual commenters will be 7 minutes, but that may be lengthened or shortened based on the number of people who comment. Written comments may also be submitted to the
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4. Department through the close of the public comment period, July 31, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

E. Public Comments (Information Item) – This time is reserved for the public to address the Council regarding any item within Council jurisdiction that is not otherwise closed for comment. Pending applications for which a comment period has not yet begun or for which the oral comment period has been completed are closed for comment. Those include, among others, the Muddy Creek Energy Park preliminary Application for Site Certificate and the Deschutes Solar and Battery Energy Storage System Facility preliminary Application for Site Certificate.

Per OAR 345-011-0020 the Chair establishes the duration of the time for individual commenters at 7 minutes but may lengthen or shorten that timeframe as the length of the meeting and timing and duration of other Council business dictate.

F. Soil, Structural & Waste Minimization Standard Phase III Informal Rulemaking Initiation (Action Item) – Tom Jackman, Siting Policy Analyst & Rules Coordinator. The Council will consider Staff's recommendation to initiate informal rulemaking.

G. Annual Process Improvement Plan (Information Item) – Operations and Policy Analyst Bibi Bartley will provide an update on the Siting Division's annual plan for programmatic improvements.

H. Biglow Canyon Wind Farm (Action Item) – Sarah Esterson, Senior Policy Advisor. Council will consider the appointment of a representative to the Solar Agricultural Mitigation Advisory Committee associated with Condition PRE-LU-03 of the Fourth Site Certificate Amended issued March 27, 2026.

I. Oregon Trail Solar Amendment 2 – Request to Waive In-Vicinity Public Hearing (Action Item) – Todd Cornett, Assistant Director for Siting/Council Secretary. The Oregon Trail Solar Facility is an approved and in construction 41 MW solar photovoltaic generation facility. Request for Amendment 2 seeks to transfer and split the site certificate, allocating previously approved battery storage to a new site certificate with a new certificate holder.

J. Executive Order 25-29 – Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Advancing Oregon's Clean Energy Future (Information Item & Possible Action Item) – Todd, Assistant Director for Siting/Council Secretary and Joni Sliger, Senior Clean Electricity Markets Analyst. Council will continue its review of

the draft Oregon Department of Energy reports and may provide additional comments or a specific statement in the Report on Siting and Permitting Large-Scale Electricity Infrastructure.

Anticipated Adjournment at 12:45 PM

Anticipated Future Energy Facility Siting Council Meetings:

- **August 20-21, 2026**
 - **September 17-18, 2026**
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