PUBLIC NOTICE

CARTY GENERATING STATION

Public Hearing and Request for Comments on Request for Site Certificate Amendment 4 and Proposed Order

Summary:
Notice Date: October 30, 2026

Operational Facility: 450 megawatt (MW) combined-cycle natural gas-fueled electric generating power plant, located within an approximately 4,997 acre site boundary.

Amendment Request: Request for Amendment 4 (RFA4) requests Council approval to amend the site boundary; and, construct and operate solar photovoltaic power generation components and related or supporting facilities on up to 860 acres.

Facility Location: Morrow County

Proposed Order Recommendation: In the Proposed Order, the Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE or Department) recommends that the facility, with the changes proposed in RFA4, complies with all required standards and should be approved by the Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC or Council), subject to new site certificate conditions.

Public Comment Period and Hearing:
The comment period extends 45 days, from October 30, 2026 through December 14, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time. The public may provide written or verbal comments regarding RFA4 and the Proposed Order including but not limited to recommended new or amended site certificate conditions. Written comments may be submitted during the public comment period to the Department Representative identified on page 3 below. Verbal comments may be made during the public hearing. The Public Hearing will be held on November 19, 2026 and may be attended in-person and remotely.

In Person & Remote Public Hearing Information:

Date: November 19, 2026
Start Time: 6:00 p.m. Pacific Time (PT)

In Person: Port of Morrow Riverfront Center
Riverfront Room
2 Marine Drive
Boardman, Oregon 97818

You may also participate in the public hearing via Webinar or Teleconference:

Teams Webinar Link: https://tinyurl.com/52v252ft
Meeting ID: 213 061 213 839 059
Passcode: cL938he9

Join Teams Meeting by Phone: 503-446-4951
Phone conference ID: 766 634 447#

Please use your full name to sign in to help staff manage public comments.

Description of Operational Facility:
The Carty Generating Station is an operational 450 MW combined-cycle natural gas-fueled electric generating power plant, and related or supporting facilities. The facility is located within an approved site boundary of approximately 4,997 acres.

Description of Changes Proposed in RFA4:
RFA4seeks Council approval for the following changes to the site certificate:

1. Construct and operate solar photovoltaic power generation components on up to 860 acres (1.33 sq. miles), to be sited in two separate locations: one south of the Carty Reservoir (Southern Solar Area) and the other to the north of the Carty Reservoir (Northern Solar Area).
2. Amend the approved site boundary from 4,997 acres (7.8 sq. miles) to approximately 5,249 acres (8.2 sq. miles) by adding three areas to, and removing one area from, the approved site boundary.
3. Add new related and supporting facilities including: a Battery Energy Storage System

(BESS), an above and below ground 34.5 kV collector line system, a 34.5-kV to 500-kV step up collector substation, an O&M building, approximately 9.9 miles of access roads, and approximately 14.7 miles of perimeter fencing.
4. Proposed changes to Site Certificate Conditions.

Approved Facility Location:
Approximately 12 miles southwest of the City of Boardman. The facility is approved on 4,997 acres of privately owned land zoned for Exclusive Farm Use and Industrial Use. A locational map of the approved site boundary is included in this Notice. The approved facility map is available at: https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities/Pages/CGS.aspx or visit ODOE's Online Mapping Tool.

EFSC Review Process:
The EFSC review is a consolidated, comprehensive permitting process. The Department Siting Division serves as staff to EFSC and conducts the RFA review process. The certificate holder must demonstrate through a preponderance of evidence on the record that the facility, as amended, complies with all applicable laws and Council standards per OAR 345-027-0375. For more information relating to EFSC standards, please visit: http://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities/Pages/Siting-Standards.aspx

RFA Process Overview and Hearing Information:
Request for Site Certificate Amendment
Portland General Electric Company (PGE or certificate holder), a corporation, filed a preliminary Request for Amendment 4 on February 16, 2024. Based on the certificate holder's request, the review of pRFA was put on hold for approximately 26 months. Upon re-initiation of review in 2026, the Department notified the certificate holder that the amendment request was complete on October 28, 2026. A complete amendment request was received on October 29, 2026. RFA4 is available on the project webpage for review, as described in the More Information section below.

Proposed Order Issuance
On October 30, 2026, the Department issued a Proposed Order on RFA4. The Proposed Order, ODOE's first evaluation for the amendment request, includes recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommends new site certificate conditions, all of which are open for the public to comment on. The Proposed Order recommends that EFSC find that EFSC approve RFA4, subject to existing and recommended new site certificate conditions. The Proposed Order is available on the project webpage for review, as described below.

Public Hearing and Comment Period:
EFSC will hold the public hearing on RFA4 and the Proposed Order on November 19, 2026 which will be both in person and remote. See Hearing details on page 1.

During the hearing, there will first be a brief overview by ODOE on the siting process, the approved facility and requested amendment, followed by an overview of the hearing format and finally an opportunity to provide oral comments on RFA4 and the Proposed Order. **The duration of the time for individual commenters to provide oral comments will be 7 minutes, but that may be lengthened or shortened based on the number of people who wish to comment. Written comments reflecting oral comments are encouraged.**

Council has the ability to pose questions to the Department, certificate holder and commenters, should they seek additional clarification.

Commenters contending that the Council should reject the RFA, or reject or revise the Department's Proposed Order, must raise their issues on the record with sufficient specificity. To raise an issue on the record, a person must raise the issue in person at the public hearing or in a written comment submitted after the date of this Notice of the public hearing and received by the Department before the comment deadline, December 14, 2026 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time. To raise an issue with sufficient specificity, in their written and/or oral comments, a person must:

- identify the recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law or conditions of approval identified in the proposed order to which they object;
- specify the Council standard or other applicable state and local requirements on which their objection is based; and,
- present facts or statements supporting their objection.

In order to be included on the record of the public hearing, written comments **must be received by December 14, 2026 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time** through the public comment portal described below or by mail, or email to the Department's representative listed below:

1. By mail or email to the Department's Representative:
   Chase McVeigh-Walker, Senior Siting Analyst
   550 Capitol Street NE
   Salem, OR 97301
   Phone: 503-871-7254
   Email:
   Chase.MCVEIGH-WALKER@energy.oregon.gov

2. Orally during the public hearing. If using Webex or telephone, additional instructions will be provided at the hearing. **Please note that individual commentors will be limited to 7 minutes. However, as noted above, that time may be decreased (or increased) based on the number of commentors.**
3. Hand Delivered at the address listed above or during the public hearing.
4. Online Comment Portal - https://odoe.powerappsportals.us/SitingPublicComment/
   Choose "Carty Generating Station Amendment 4" from the drop-down menu. Click "Next" and follow the instructions on the screen. You will receive an email confirmation after submitting your comment.

ODOE also has an online docket system which displays comments that have been submitted on this and other projects. Comments will normally be available to view within 3 business days of receipt. The docket can be accessed via the following link: https://odoe.powerappsportals.us/en-US/sitingdocket/

Individuals who comment during the comment period will have the opportunity to continue in the following process, allowing further review of their issue(s).

Following the close of the public comment period on December 14, 2026, commenters may participate in the following process:

1. Certificate holder must submit written responses to written and verbal comments by December 28, 2026 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time.
2. Department may submit written responses to written and verbal comments by December 28, 2026 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time.
3. Commenters may submit replies to certificate holder and Department responses by January 11, 2027 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time.
4. Certificate holder and Department may submit sur-replies to commenters by January 18, 2027 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time.

Please note: Comment submission does not register your contact information to receive future notices. If you would like to receive notices for this facility or any other EFSC facility, and have not already done so, please follow the ClickDimensions link included in the More Information section below.

All comments submitted to ODOE may be disclosed to the public, subject to Oregon Public Records Laws (ORS Chapter 192). Public comments are made available via the systems described in this Notice and will be attached to the Proposed Order.

Council Review of the Draft Final Order
Following the sur-reply deadline, as identified above, during an EFSC meeting, EFSC will review the Department's draft Final Order including its written analysis of comments, responses, replies and sur-replies. EFSC will then issue a Final Order either approving or rejecting RFA4. If approved, an Amended Site Certificate will be issued.

Receipt of this Notice:

Please note that you may be receiving this notice for multiple reasons:

1. You own property within or adjacent to (within 500 feet) the property on which the proposed changes would be located. You will automatically receive all future notices related to this amendment request.
2. You have previously signed up to receive email related to the Carty Generating Station Energy Facility or all EFSC project-related notices. You will automatically receive all future notices per your request, unless you unsubscribe via ClickDimensions by following the link provided below or contacting ODOE.
3. You are the contact for a land management agency or organization with jurisdiction over a protected area identified in the RFA4.

More Information:

1. Carty Generating Station webpage: RFA4, ODOE's Proposed Order and facility maps are available at: https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities/Pages/CGS.aspx
2. Physical copies of RFA4 and the Proposed Order are available for public inspection at no cost at the address of the Department Representative listed on page 3 above. Physical copies will also be provided at reasonable cost upon request; please contact the Department Representative for more information.
3. If you would like to receive email notices for the Carty Generating Station or other projects, Council meetings or rulemakings, subscribe to ClickDimensions, a self-managed, automated email system. http://web.energy.oregon.gov/cn/a6n53/subscribe
4. Additional resources to help you participate in the state siting process can be found at: http://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities/pages/default.aspx
5. If you have any questions about the approved facility, RFA4, the Proposed Order, how to provide public comments or are seeking additional information, please contact the Department Representative.

Accessibility information:

The Oregon Department of Energy is committed to accommodating people with disabilities. For review of RFA4 or the Proposed Order or attendance at the public hearing, if you require any special physical or language accommodations, or need information in an alternate format, please contact Nancy Hatch at 503-428-7905, toll-free in Oregon at 800-221-8035, or email to nancy.hatch@energy.oregon.gov. For any other accommodation needed to attend the public hearing, please contact ODOE as soon as possible so we may provide the accommodation.

Figure 1: Facility Location and RFA4 Site Boundary

