

Governor's Data Center Advisory Committee

Meeting 7 – Tuesday, August 4, 2026

9:00 am – 3:00 pm PT

Webinar Registration Required:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_b3BznmRkTFy73LVOTotYiA

Topic: Advisory Committee's 'Preliminary Findings' Deliberations

Purpose of this Process: the Governor asked “the Data Center Advisory Committee (DCAC) to identify ways to better balance the need for new economic opportunities with smart policy choices that will support our clean energy goals and ensure affordable and reliable electricity for all Oregonians. The Committee will conduct an open and public process to understand challenges and opportunities in key policy areas related to the siting of data centers in our state and then recommend actions that the State of Oregon can take” (*from Committee Charge*).

As such, the DCAC's goal was to use these public sessions to gather and share credible information from subject matter experts, firsthand experiences, real-world data, and diverse perspectives regarding Data Centers in Oregon. To respond to the Governor's charge, the DCAC held **7 Topic Focused sessions and 2 Public Listening sessions**, with a third session to be held after the DCAC releases its Preliminary Findings Report. ***Today, the DCAC will reflect on what they heard, what they learned, and what questions they want to follow up on before they are able to outline their recommendations for the Governor. This work session will be held online, there will be no Q&A or public comments.***

AGENDA

9:00 AM Welcome and Introduction to the Process and the People

Co-Chairs Margaret Hoffmann and Michael Jung, Committee Members: Dan Dorran, Greg Dotson, Bill Edmonds, Tim Miller, Jean Wilson, and Facilitator Donna Silverberg

- Committee Introductions – All
- What is this committee? What is it NOT? Governor's Charge and Focus of the DCAC's work – Co-Chairs
- Agenda review, overall process review, and session protocols – Facilitator

9:15 AM What Did We Learn and Find Important?

Opening comments about the Governor's charge and how that focused the DCACs work. Having reviewed the summaries of all 6 Topic-Focused sessions, what does the DCAC find to be important about Data Centers and...

9:20 AM – 10:00 AM Economics and Workforce Issues

- Recap of issues – DCAC Member
 - Committee discussion of what was heard, what was missing, what is known/unknown
- Identification of key questions/considerations for the Preliminary Findings Report

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10:00 AM – 10:40 AM Water Issues

- Recap of issues – DCAC Member
 - Committee discussion of what was heard, what was missing, what is known/unknown
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10:40 AM – 11:20 AM Land Use Issues

- Recap of issues – DCAC Member
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11:20 AM – 12:00 PM Energy Issues

- Recap of issues – DCAC Member
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12:00 PM – 12:30 PM Lunch Break

12:30 PM – 1:10 PM Energy Affordability

- Recap of issues – DCAC Member
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1:10 PM – 1:50 PM Tax Incentives and Revenue Issues

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1:50 PM – 2:30 PM Other Issues: Air Quality, Transparency, and School Funding

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2:30 PM Oregon Voices

The DCAC will review the ideas and themes shared by the public. They will clarify which of them fit into the scope of the charge and can be addressed, which are outside of the scope and should be addressed in some other way, and which need to be noted for future action.

2:45 PM Wrap-Up and Reminders

- **Written public comments should be sent to datacenter.ac@oregon.gov. NOTE: public comments received before Friday August 7th will be considered for the Preliminary Findings Report. The DCAC will pause public comment review until its Preliminary Findings Report is released in early/mid-September.**
- **Once the Preliminary Findings Report is released, there will be 30 days for additional public comments.**
 - **This period will include the 3rd and final DCAC Public Listening Session, September 23, 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Registration will NOT be required.**
- **Appreciation for ALL involved in this process since January**

3:00 PM Adjourn Public Meeting