

# Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC)



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# Background

- EFSEC formed in 1970 to provide centralized siting and permitting for energy facilities.
- For siting and permitting of large-scale thermal power plants, nuclear facilities, natural gas and oil pipelines, oil refineries, and underground natural gas storage fields are only facilities requiring certification.\*
- Council consists of members from state agencies and local government.
- EFSEC develops recommendation to the Governor and Governor's office makes final decision.
- The final decision preempts other state and local government decisions.





## Facilities (RCW 80.50.020)

### Energy Facilities that can be Certified via EFSEC:

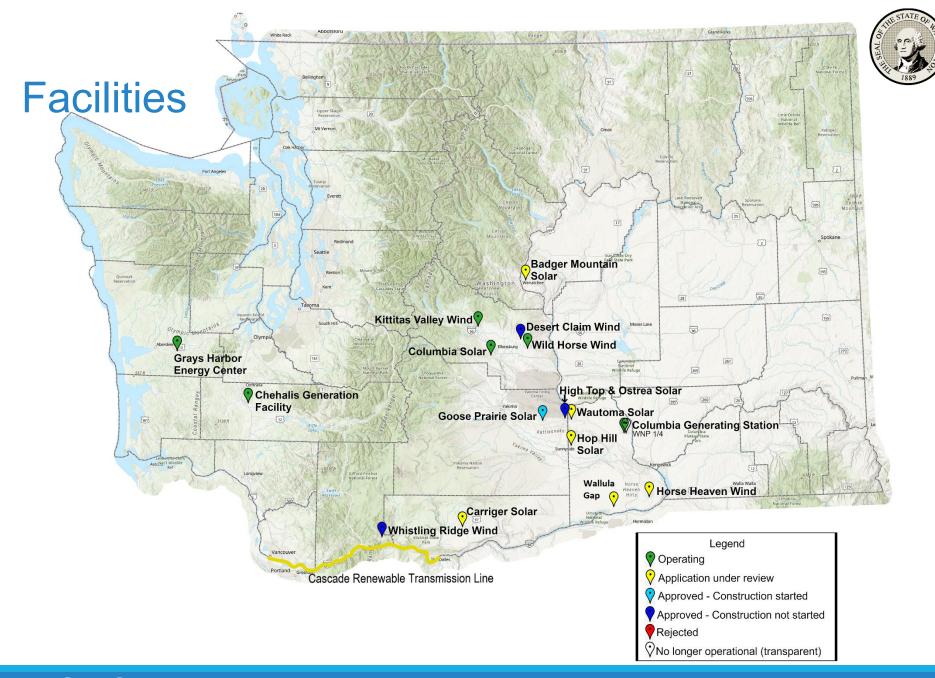
- Any nuclear power facility where the primary purpose is to produce and sell electricity.
- Non hydro, non-nuclear thermal power plants 350MW or greater.
- Clean energy product manufacturing facilities related to clean energy production and transport. (RCW 80.50.020(23))
- Alternative energy resources (Renewable Green or electrolytic Hydrogen production facilities (RCW 80.50.020 (1)(g), wind, solar, geothermal, wave/tidal, landfill gas, biomass, etc.) "any size may opt-in".
- Transmission Lines greater than 115kV may "opt-in".
- Pipelines
- Refineries and Storage Facilities



## Council Membership (RCW 80.50.030)

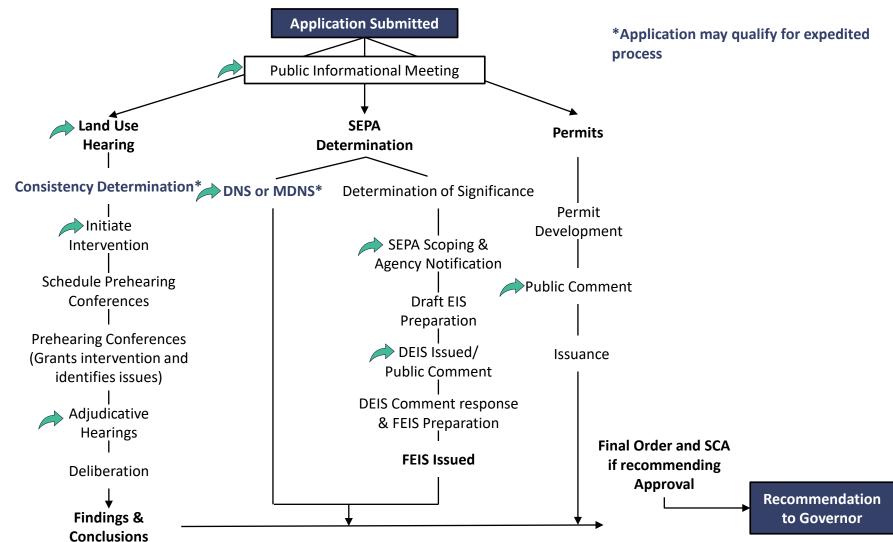
- Chair Governor Appointee
  - Kathleen Drew
- Dept. of Ecology
  - > Eli Levitt
- Dept. of Fish & Wildlife
  - Mike Livingston
- Dept. of Commerce
  - > Elizabeth Osborne
- Dept. of Natural Resources
  - Lenny Young
- Utilities & Transportation
   Commission
  - > Stacey Brewster

- Optional application review members:
  - Dept. of Agriculture
  - Dept. of Transportation
  - Dept. of Health
  - Military Dept.
- Local Government application review (City and County)
- Port District application review – nonvoting
  - for application review





# **Site Certification Process**







## **Amendment Review Process**

- Request submission
- Public informational meeting
- Council Decision or Governor Review





# Public Input

## Verbal comment sign up

Email <u>comments@efsec.wa.gov</u>
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