



Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council AGENDA

MONTHLY MEETING
Wednesday October 16, 2024
1:30 PM

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Conference number: 564-999-2000 ID: 699286814#

- 1. Call to Order Kathleen Drew, EFSEC Chair
- 2. Roll Call Andrea Grantham, EFSEC Staff
- 3. Proposed Agenda Kathleen Drew, EFSEC Chair
- 4. Minutes **Meeting Minutes** Kathleen Drew, EFSEC Chair
 - September 18, 2024 Monthly Meeting Minutes
 - September 13, 2024 Horse Heaven Special Meeting Minutes
- 5. Projects
 - a. **Kittitas Valley Wind Project**
 - Operational Updates Jarred Caseday, EDP Renewables
 - b. **Wild Horse Wind Power Project**
 - Operational Updates Jennifer Galbraith, Puget Sound Energy
 - c. **Chehalis Generation Facility**
 - Operational Updates Jeremy Smith, Chehalis Generation
 - d. **Grays Harbor Energy Center**
 - Operational Updates Chris Sherin, Grays Harbor Energy
 - e. **Columbia Solar**
 - Operational Updates Thomas Cushing, Greenbacker Capital
 - f. **Columbia Generating Station**
 - Operational Updates Denis Mehinagic, Energy Northwest
 - g. **WNP – 1/4**
 - Non-Operational Updates Denis Mehinagic, Energy Northwest
 - h. **Goose Prairie Solar**
 - Project Updates Jacob Crist, Brookfield Renewable
 - i. **High Top & Ostrea**
 - Project Updates Sara Randolph, EFSEC Staff
 - Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSWGP) Sara Randolph, EFSEC Staff

The Council may consider FINAL ACTION on the CSWGP for the Ostrea project.
 - j. **Horse Heaven Wind Farm**
 - Project Updates Ami Hafkemeyer, EFSEC Staff
 - k. **Wautoma Solar**
 - Project Updates Lance Caputo, EFSEC Staff
 - Adjudication Deliberation Kathleen Drew, EFSEC Chair

The Council may take action on whether to direct staff to prepare documents to support their recommendation to the governor.
 - l. **Hop Hill Solar**
 - Project Updates John Barnes, EFSEC Staff
 - m. **Carriger Solar**
 - Project Updates Joanne Snarski, EFSEC Staff

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n. Wallula Gap

- Project Updates.....John Barnes, EFSEC Staff

o. Goldeneye BESS

- Project Updates.....Zia Ahmed, EFSEC Staff

6. Other

- Cost Allocation.....Sonia Bumpus, EFSEC Staff

7. Adjourn.....Kathleen Drew, EFSEC Chair

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ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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Lacey, Washington

Reporter: Lori K. Haworth, CCR, RPR

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A P P E A R A N C E S

STATE AGENCY MEMBERS:

Kathleen Drew, Chair

Elizabeth Osborne, Department of Commerce (*)

Eli Levitt, Department of Ecology (*)

Mike Livingston, Dept. of Fish and Wildlife (*)

Lenny Young, Department of Natural Resources (*)

Stacey Brewster,
 Utilities & Transportation Commission

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND OPTIONAL STATE AGENCIES:

Horse Heaven:

Ed Brost, Benton County (*)

Wautoma Solar:

Paul Gonseth, WA Dept. of Transportation (*)

Carriger Solar:

Matt Chiles, Klickitat County (*)

Goldeneye BESS:

Robby Eckroth, Skagit County (*)

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL:

Zack Packer (*)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

Adam Torem (*)

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OPERATIONAL UPDATES (Continued):

Badger Mountain:

Joanne Snarski, EFSEC Staff

Wautoma Solar:

Lance Caputo, EFSEC Staff

Hop Hill Solar:

John Barnes, EFSEC Staff

Carriger Solar:

Joanne Snarski, EFSEC Staff

Wallula Gap:

John Barnes, EFSEC Staff

COUNSEL FOR THE ENVIRONMENT:

Sarah Reyneveld (*)

Yuriy Korol (*)

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A P P E A R A N C E S - (Continued)

COUNCIL STAFF:

Sonia Bumpus	Lance Caputo
Ami Hafkemeyer	John Barnes
Amy Moon (*)	Joanne Snarski
Andrea Grantham	Zia Ahmed (*)
Sean Greene	

OPERATIONAL UPDATES:

Jarred Caseday (*)
 Kittitas Valley Wind, EDP Renewables

Jennifer Galbraith (*)
 Wild Horse Wind Power Project, Puget Sound Energy

Jeremy Smith (*)
 Chehalis Generation Facility, PacifiCorp

Denis Mehinagic (*)
 Columbia Generating Station & WNP-1/4, Energy Northwest

Thomas Cushing (*)
 Columbia Solar, Tuusso Energy

Jacob Crist (*)
 Goose Prairie Solar, Brookfield Renewable

Horse Heaven Wind Farm:
 Amy Moon, EFSEC Staff (*)
 High Top & Ostrea:
 Joanne Snarski, EFSEC Staff

Whistling Ridge:
 Lance Caputo, EFSEC Staff

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CHAIR DREW: Okay. Good afternoon.

Kathleen Drew, Chair of the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council, bringing our monthly meeting to order.

Ms. Grantham, will you call the role.

ANDREA GRANTHAM: Certainly, Chair Drew. Department of Commerce?

ELIZABETH OSBORNE: Elizabeth Osborne. Present.

ANDREA GRANTHAM: Department of Ecology?

ELI LEVITT: Eli Levitt. Present.

ANDREA GRANTHAM: Department of Fish and Wildlife?

MIKE LIVINGSTON: Mike Livingston. Present.

ANDREA GRANTHAM: Department of Natural Resources?

LENNY YOUNG: Lenny Young. Present.

ANDREA GRANTHAM: Utilities and Transportation Commission?

STACY BREWSTER: Stacy Brewster. Present.

ANDREA GRANTHAM: For Local Government and Optional State Agencies. For the Horse Heaven Project, for Benton County, do we have Ed Brost?

For the Badger Mountain Project, for Douglas

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 6</p> <p>1 County? 2 For the Wautoma Solar Project, for Benton 3 County, Dave Sharp? 4 Washington State Department of Transportation, 5 Paul Gonseth? 6 PAUL GONSETH: Paul Gonseth. Present. 7 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Hop Hill Solar Project, 8 for Benton County, Paul Krupin? 9 Carriger Solar Project, for Klickitat County, 10 Matt Chiles? 11 MATT CHILES: Matt Chiles. Present. 12 ANDREA GRANTHAM: For the Wallula Gap 13 Project, for Benton County, Adam Fyall? 14 And for Goldeneye BESS, for Skagit County, 15 Robby Eckroth? 16 ROBBY ECKROTH: Robby Eckroth. Present. 17 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Assistant Attorney 18 Generals. Jon Thompson? 19 And Zack Packer? 20 ZACK PACKER: Present. 21 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Administrative Law 22 Judges. Adam Torem? 23 JUDGE TOREM: Judge Torem. I am present. 24 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Laura Bradley? 25 Dan Gerard?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 8</p> <p>1 Project? 2 JENNIFER GALBRAITH: Jennifer Galbraith. 3 Present. 4 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Grays Harbor Energy 5 Center? 6 Chehalis Generation Facility? 7 JEREMY SMITH: Jeremy Smith. Present. 8 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Columbia Generating 9 Station? 10 DENIS MEHINAGIC: Denis Mehinagic. 11 Present. 12 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Columbia Solar? 13 THOMAS CUSHING: Thomas Cushing. Present. 14 ANDREA GRANTHAM: And Goose Prairie Solar? 15 JACOB CRIST: Jacob Crist. Present. 16 ANDREA GRANTHAM: And do we have someone 17 present for the Counsel For the Environment? 18 SARAH REYNEVELD: Yes. Sarah Reyneveld 19 and Yuriy Korol are present. 20 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Thank you. 21 Chair, there is a quorum for all counsels. 22 CHAIR DREW: Thank you. 23 Council members, you have in front of you the 24 agenda, proposed agenda for this meeting. Is there a 25 motion to adopt the proposed agenda?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 7</p> <p>1 And Travis Dupree? 2 And I will call Council staff who may be 3 anticipated to speak today. Sonia Bumpus? 4 SONIA BUMPUS: Present. 5 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Ami Hafkemeyer? 6 AMI HAFKEMEYER: Present. 7 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Amy Moon? 8 AMY MOON: Amy Moon. Present. 9 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Sara Randolph? 10 Sean Greene? 11 SEAN GREENE: Sean Greene. Present. 12 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Lance Caputo? 13 LANCE CAPUTO: Present. 14 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Lance Caputo is present 15 in the room. 16 John Barnes? 17 JOHN BARNES: Present. 18 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Joanne Snarski? 19 JOANNE SNARSKI: Present. 20 ANDREA GRANTHAM: And Zia Ahmed? 21 ZIA AHMED: Zia Ahmed. Present. 22 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Operational Updates. 23 For Kittitas Valley Wind? 24 JARRED CASEDAY: Jarred Caseday. Present. 25 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Wild Horse Wind Power</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 9</p> <p>1 LENNY YOUNG: Lenny Young. So moved. 2 STACY BREWSTER: Stacy Brewster. Second. 3 CHAIR DREW: All those in favor, say 4 "aye." 5 MULTIPLE SPEAKERS: Aye. 6 CHAIR DREW: Opposed? 7 It is adopted. 8 Moving on to the meeting minutes. We have 9 three sets of meeting minutes for today. The first we 10 will take up is the August 13, 2024, Goldeneye BESS 11 informational meeting and land-use hearing minutes. Is 12 there a motion to approve the minutes? 13 STACY BREWSTER: Stacy Brewster. So 14 moved. 15 CHAIR DREW: Thank you. 16 Second? 17 ELI LEVITT: Eli Levitt. Second. 18 CHAIR DREW: Thanks. 19 Any corrections or edits from Council members? 20 I don't have any. 21 Hearing none, all those in favor of approving 22 the minutes from the Goldeneye BESS August 13th meeting, 23 please say "aye." 24 MULTIPLE SPEAKERS: Aye. 25 CHAIR DREW: Opposed?</p>

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1 Motion carries.
 2 Moving on to the August 21st monthly Council
 3 meeting minutes. Is there a motion to approve those
 4 minutes?
 5 ELIZABETH OSBORNE: Elizabeth Osborne. So
 6 moved.
 7 MIKE LIVINGSTON: Mike Livingston --
 8 CHAIR DREW: Elizabeth Osborne --
 9 MIKE LIVINGSTON: Mike Livingston.
 10 Second.
 11 CHAIR DREW: Thank you, thank you, thank
 12 you.
 13 I have couple of changes/corrections. I
 14 believe, on page 7, on line 1. Let me see where that
 15 is. If I can look more closely. Before quoting the
 16 governor, I think I should -- there should be a word in
 17 their quote. Can you see where that is, Ms. Grantham?
 18 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Is this for the Horse
 19 Heaven minutes or for the August 21st monthly --
 20 CHAIR DREW: Oh.
 21 ANDREA GRANTHAM: -- meeting?
 22 CHAIR DREW: Thank you. That's why --
 23 ANDREA GRANTHAM: Of course.
 24 CHAIR DREW: -- I didn't find it. Yes.
 25 For the August monthly meeting, I have no corrections.

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1 Anyone else?
 2 Hearing none, all those in favor of approving
 3 the August 21, 2024, monthly Council meeting minutes,
 4 say "aye."
 5 MULTIPLE SPEAKERS: Aye.
 6 CHAIR DREW: Opposed?
 7 Those are approved.
 8 Moving on to the August 29th Horse Heaven
 9 special meeting minutes. A motion to approve the
 10 minutes?
 11 STACY BREWSTER: Stacy Brewster. So
 12 moved.
 13 ELI LEVITT: Eli Levitt. Second.
 14 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.
 15 Now, page 7, line 1. Let me see where this is.
 16 So, really, it's at the beginning of line 1, quote. It
 17 should say on line 25, "I know that he also stated that,
 18 quote, the record is robust." So that's what should go
 19 in there.
 20 Then on page 19, line 14, I have an answer to a
 21 question from Mr. Livingston, "Well, let me ask one more
 22 question. I'm sorry." And I say, "No." I believe I
 23 don't ever say that to Council members who have
 24 questions. So even though we don't remember exactly,
 25 can we -- without objection, I would say, "No problem."

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1 Add the word "problem" in there. And those are all the
 2 corrections that I have. Anyone else?
 3 All those in favor with -- of those --
 4 approving those minutes as amended, please say "aye."
 5 MULTIPLE SPEAKERS: Aye.
 6 CHAIR DREW: Opposed?
 7 Motion carries. Those minutes are amended.
 8 Thank you so much to everybody. And we will move on to
 9 Operational Updates.
 10 Kittitas Valley Wind Project, Mr. Caseday.
 11 MR. CASEDAY: Good afternoon, Chair Drew,
 12 EFSEC Council, and staff. This is Jarred Caseday with
 13 EDP Renewables for the Kittitas Valley Wind Power
 14 Project. We have nothing nonroutine to report for the
 15 period.
 16 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.
 17 JARRED CASEDAY: Thank you.
 18 CHAIR DREW: Wild Horse Wind Power
 19 Project, Ms. Galbraith.
 20 JENNIFER GALBRAITH: Yes. Thank you,
 21 Chair Drew, Council members, and staff. This is
 22 Jennifer Galbraith with Puget Sound Energy representing
 23 the Wild Horse Wind Facility, and I also have nothing
 24 nonroutine to report for the period.
 25 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

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1 Chehalis Generation Facility, Mr. Smith.
 2 JEREMY SMITH: Good afternoon, Chair Drew,
 3 EFSEC Council, and staff. Jeremy Smith, the operations
 4 manager for the Chehalis Generation Facility, and I have
 5 nothing nonroutine to report for the month of August.
 6 CHAIR DREW: Great.
 7 Grays Harbor Energy Center. I didn't hear
 8 Mr. Sherin. If he is not there; Mr. Barnes?
 9 JOHN BARNES: Thank you, Chair Drew, and
 10 Council members. For the record, this is John Barnes on
 11 behalf of Sara Randolph, site specialist for Grays
 12 Harbor facility. Update is provided in your packet.
 13 There are no other updates to report at this time.
 14 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.
 15 JOHN BARNES: Thank you.
 16 CHAIR DREW: Columbia Solar, Mr. Cushing.
 17 THOMAS CUSHING: Good afternoon, Chair
 18 Drew, Council members, EFSEC staff. This is Thomas
 19 Cushing speaking on behalf of Columbia Solar. There are
 20 no nonroutine updates to report.
 21 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.
 22 Columbia Generating Station. Before I go to
 23 the facility, itself, I'd like Ms. Amy Moon to give us
 24 an update.
 25 AMY MOON: Thank you, Council Chair Drew.

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 14</p> <p>1 So good afternoon, EFSEC Council members and 2 Council Chair Drew. For the record, this is Amy Moon 3 reporting on the Columbia Generating Station. And I 4 want to give a brief introduction to the Council before 5 Energy Northwest, or EN, provides their Council update. 6 Energy Northwest is here today to report on two 7 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, or the 8 NPDES, permit noncompliance issues. 9 EFSEC received the required notifications, 10 including a 5-day report for an incident reported 11 September 10th of 2024 involving a release to the 12 Columbia River. A newly emergent incident was also 13 reported this morning just after 7:30 a.m. to EFSEC, the 14 statewide Environmental Report Tracking System, which is 15 known as ERTS, E-R-T-S, and the U.S. Coast Guard. 16 Ecology staff are in the field today at the Columbia 17 Generating Station to gather information and assess the 18 situation. Both incidents involved plant service water 19 that flows into the Circulating Water basin and then 20 into the Columbia River. 21 EFSEC will continue to coordinate with Energy 22 Northwest and Ecology on these reported incidents. And 23 as I said before, EN is here to update the Council on 24 both incidents and to answer your questions. I can turn 25 it over to them unless the Council has any questions for</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 16</p> <p>1 circulating water and may enter a system again such as 2 TSW, Circulating Water, or Fire Protection water. 3 Because TSW returns to the Circulating Water basin, it 4 can be discharged to the Columbia River with circulating 5 water blowdown. 6 An investigation is being conducted into what 7 caused the failure of the heat exchanger. All damaged 8 heat exchanger equipment was replaced and tested before 9 the air compressor was returned to service. The 10 evaluation is being driven by the Energy Northwest 11 Corrective Action Program and is assigned Condition 12 Report number 461715. 13 Energy Northwest completed a report within 24 14 hours pursuant to National Pollutant Discharge 15 Elimination System permit condition S3.F.2.b(i), which 16 involved notification via phone to EFSEC via the number 17 that was listed in the NPDES permit. This notification 18 occurred at approximately 8:35 p.m. on September 10th. 19 Energy Northwest followed up by phone call with EFSEC 20 the morning of September 11, 2024, to ensure that the 21 notification was received. The United States Coast 22 Guard, and the Washington State Energy Management 23 Division were also immediately notified of the event. 24 Energy Northwest submitted a NPDES 5-day 25 noncompliance report to EFSEC on September 12, 2024.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 15</p> <p>1 me. 2 CHAIR DREW: Any questions for Ms. Moon? 3 Mr. Mehinagic. 4 DENIS MEHINAGIC: Good afternoon, Chair 5 Drew, Council members, and staff. For the record, this 6 is Denis Mehinagic providing updates for Energy 7 Northwest, Columbia Generating Station, and Washington 8 Nuclear Projects 1 and 4. 9 So on September 10, 2024, at approximately 2:35 10 p.m., Energy Northwest became aware that no more than 30 11 gallons of silicone compressor fluid, Sullair 24KT, have 12 potentially leaked through the service air compressor 13 heat exchanger and entered the Plant Service Water 14 system, also known as TSW. 15 The compressor was removed from service on 16 September 3rd due to excessive oil consumption. Despite 17 the lowered oil level, the best information at the time 18 indicated no loss of oil to the TSW system. The heat 19 exchanger remained out of service and was 20 pressure-tested on September 10th and confirmed to have 21 a leak that would allow the silicone compressor fluid to 22 migrate into TSW. 23 TSW cools the service air compressor and other 24 non-radioactive loads in the facility before returning 25 to the Circulating Water basin where it's mixed with</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 17</p> <p>1 Moving on to the second event that Amy Moon 2 mentioned. So on September 18, 2024, that is today, 3 Columbia Generating Station determined that new 4 repeating oil was likely released into a Plant Service 5 Water system, or TSW, due to a failed heat exchanger on 6 the reactor feed water turbine alpha. Isolation of the 7 heat exchanger from plant service water is still 8 in-progress. The Plant Service Water system returns 9 water to the Circulating Water basin, which contains a 10 minimum of 300,000 gallons of water. 11 The basin, the Circ Water basin, is connected 12 to the Columbia River via a blowdown line. The blowdown 13 line was secured this morning at 7:39 a.m. A visual 14 inspection of the basin did not identify any oil sheen 15 or film, but a sample downstream of the affected heat 16 exchanger revealed an oily sheen in the sample bottle. 17 It does not appear that the oil released poses a threat 18 to human health or the environment. However, because 19 there could have been a discharge of an unknown quantity 20 of oil into the Columbia River, this matter was 21 immediately reported, under RCW 90.56.280, to the United 22 States Coast Guard and Washington State Department of 23 Ecology and to EFSEC. 24 That is all I had for this matter. And we are 25 planning on submitting a 5-day report which is tied to</p>

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1 this event no later than close of business Monday.
2 CHAIR DREW: So do you know if whatever is
3 leaking has been identified and stopped?
4 DENIS MEHINAGIC: So regarding the
5 September 10th event, yes. That heat exchanger was
6 immediately removed from service and isolated, and then
7 that heat exchanger was replaced with a new heat
8 exchanger, and there are no further leaks, regarding the
9 September 10th event.
10 Regarding today's event, September 18th. The
11 blowdown is isolated and continues to be isolated while
12 we develop a plan to swap out the damaged heat
13 exchanger, and we are still developing that plan now.
14 CHAIR DREW: Okay.
15 DENIS MEHINAGIC: But any discharge to the
16 Columbia River has ceased as of 7:39 a.m. this morning.
17 CHAIR DREW: And you will have more
18 information as you conduct your analysis, about how
19 long --
20 DENIS MEHINAGIC: Yep.
21 CHAIR DREW: -- that might have been
22 happening since you found --
23 DENIS MEHINAGIC: That is correct.
24 CHAIR DREW: -- the -- some oil further
25 downstream. So. Okay.

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1 Are there --
2 DENIS MEHINAGIC: That is correct.
3 CHAIR DREW: -- any other questions from
4 Council members? Mr. Young?
5 LENNY YOUNG: Yeah. If I remember
6 correctly, these are the second and third incidents of
7 this type that have occurred within the last year. Is
8 there some type of a higher-level issue here in terms of
9 age of the equipment or the inspection regime? What can
10 we take away from three such equipment failures
11 occurring within a short period of time?
12 DENIS MEHINAGIC: Good question, and thank
13 you for that.
14 We are evaluating, looking at the extended
15 conditions on all heat exchangers that are cooled by
16 TSW. We had a meeting with our engineering department
17 yesterday to discuss an evaluation of that type. So.
18 We will have more information to share, and we can share
19 that information at future Council meetings and with Amy
20 Moon.
21 CHAIR DREW: Go ahead, Mr. Young.
22 LENNY YOUNG: Yes. Thank you for that. I
23 appreciate it. I guess where I am headed is, it would
24 be nice to see if the facility could get out in front of
25 these things if there is some type of a higher-level,

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1 overarching issue that needs to be confronted, instead
2 of -- instead of having to continue to react to them on
3 an as-failed basis.
4 DENIS MEHINAGIC: Yep. I understand.
5 LENNY YOUNG: Thank you.
6 CHAIR DREW: Any other questions?
7 Thank you very much, and we look forward to
8 hearing ongoing reports.
9 Moving on to Goose Prairie Solar project
10 update, Mr. Crist.
11 JACOB CRIST: Thank you. And good
12 afternoon, Chair Drew, EFSEC Council, and staff. Jacob
13 Crist, Senior Project Manager, on behalf of Brookfield
14 Renewable U.S., providing the Goose Prairie Solar
15 project update for this period.
16 So for construction status. The project
17 remains ahead of contractual schedule still. We have
18 achieved some of our latest milestones on time with --
19 as far as an initial sink date on August 26th, and then
20 an actual start of the BPA 90-day soak was on
21 August 26th. Hot commissioning of all our inverters has
22 been completed since September 6th, including all punch
23 list items. We are still targeting substantial
24 completion. It's somewhat of a moving date right now.
25 It's scheduled to be around early October now instead of

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1 mid September. We would -- we will be waiting on a
2 utility sign-off, and then we can declare a commercial
3 operation date. That is expected on or around
4 November 25th still. We would like to pull that in some
5 if we can.
6 I have mentioned, you know, all major scope
7 items are complete, with modules, racking, trackers, and
8 substation. BPA curtailment checks are in progress, and
9 the BPA coms checks are still in progress. Capacity and
10 availability testing will follow shortly after those BPA
11 coms checks and curtailment checks. And again, that's
12 scheduled for early October, as of now.
13 We did commit the first grass cutting
14 contracted through our EPC. That started in late August
15 for the vegetation and weed management plan and
16 scheduled to be completed by early October.
17 Right now, for operations and maintenance, we
18 are still tracking the O&M site certificate deliverables
19 with Sarah and her team for whenever they are approved,
20 and declaring COD.
21 For environmental compliance. We had no
22 discharge on the site reported in August, and then the
23 frequent monitoring does occur.
24 And then for two other items. Next Council
25 meeting for October, I will introduce Nelson Jia, who

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1 will start providing operational updates in November.
2 He would be Brookfield's asset manager for this site.
3 And then for public outreach -- or, really,
4 visits to the site. It sounds like we have some
5 visits -- a visit coming up in mid October from public
6 officials for the State of Washington.
7 Any questions?
8 CHAIR DREW: Any questions for Mr. Crist?
9 Thank you. Exciting time. We are with you and
10 looking forward to the transition, and thanking you for
11 all the work and leadership you have had throughout this
12 time.
13 JACOB CRIST: Thank you.
14 CHAIR DREW: Moving on to High Top and
15 Ostrea. We have a project update. I will ask
16 Mr. Barnes. And then the Construction Stormwater
17 General Permit, I am going to ask Ms. Ami Hafkemeyer.
18 JOHN BARNES: Thank you, Council, and
19 Chair Drew. This is John Barnes on behalf of Sara
20 Randolph, site specialist for Ostrea.
21 EFSEC staff are continuing to receive and
22 review documents being sent by the certificate holder
23 for preconstruction plans. As a condition of the Site
24 Certificate Agreement, or SCA, Article IV(D)(1), the
25 facility is required to obtain a Construction Stormwater

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1 General Permit prior to construction. EFSEC issues
2 coverage under the Department of Ecology General Permit.
3 In your packet, you will find a letter of
4 coverage that identifies the procedural differences
5 between Ecology, General Permit, and EFSEC's
6 authorities. Some examples include enforcement
7 authority, e-structure, and transfer of ownership.
8 Ostrea Solar submitted their notice of intent, or NOI,
9 for coverage under this permit on August 29th.
10 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.
11 JOHN BARNES: Thank you.
12 CHAIR DREW: Ms. Hafkemeyer.
13 AMI HAFKEMEYER: Thank you.
14 Good afternoon, Chair Drew, and Council. And
15 thank you, Mr. Barnes, for the introduction.
16 As he stated, EFSEC adopts the Ecology
17 Construction Stormwater General Permit. However, there
18 are some differences, as identified, in the Ecology
19 process and the EFSEC process primarily to do with
20 appeals, reporting, fees, et cetera. And so staff would
21 like to request that the Council put out for a 30-day
22 comment this letter of coverage to then be issued along
23 with the Construction Stormwater General Permit to the
24 facility.
25 CHAIR DREW: Okay. So once we -- talk to

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1 me about the process after that comment period, please.
2 AMI HAFKEMEYER: Of course. So in the
3 development of the Construction Stormwater General
4 Permit, Ecology issued that document out for public
5 comment. So that public comment is -- for that document
6 is already complete, so EFSEC requests public comment
7 for our letter of coverage specifically.
8 Once any comments are received, if any changes
9 are indicated that should be made, if they are
10 substantive, EFSEC may request that we go out again for
11 public comment if it's, you know, correcting of minor
12 typos or something like that. EFSEC would request that
13 the Council issue the permit.
14 CHAIR DREW: Okay. So we will receive the
15 public comments in the next 30 days. And after that, it
16 would come back to the Council with any of those
17 comments.
18 AMI HAFKEMEYER: Correct.
19 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you.
20 Any questions from Council members?
21 Is there a motion from Council members to put
22 the letter of coverage for Cyprus Creek Renewables on
23 behalf of Ostrea Solar Facility out for public comment?
24 LENNY YOUNG: Lenny Young. So moved.
25 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

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1 Second?
2 STACEY BREWSTER: Stacy Brewster. Second.
3 CHAIR DREW: Any discussion or questions?
4 Hearing none, all those in favor of putting
5 this coverage letter out for public comment for 30 days,
6 please say "aye."
7 MULTIPLE SPEAKERS: Aye.
8 CHAIR DREW: Opposed?
9 Motion carries. Thank you.
10 Horse Heaven Wind Farm, Ms. Moon.
11 AMY MOON: Good afternoon, Council Chair
12 Drew and EFSEC members. For the record, this is Amy
13 Moon reporting on the Horse Heaven Wind Project.
14 As directed by the Council on September 13th of
15 2024, EFSEC staff applied the Council's changes to the
16 draft Site Certification Agreement, or SCA, and the
17 appendix to mitigation measures. EFSEC staff submitted
18 the final Site Certification Agreement, including those
19 mitigation measures and the public comments received, to
20 the governor on September 17th. Pursuant to Revised
21 Code of Washington 80.50.100(1)(b), the governor shall
22 either approve the application and execute the
23 certification agreement or reject the application. If
24 the governor rejects the application, that rejection
25 shall be the final decision on the Scout Clean Energy

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1 February 8, 2021, application for site certification.
2 Does the Council have any questions?
3 CHAIR DREW: Are there any questions from
4 Council members?
5 Thank you, Ms. Moon.
6 AMY MOON: You're welcome.
7 CHAIR DREW: Wautoma Solar project update,
8 Mr. Caputo.
9 LANCE CAPUTO: Thank you, Chair Drew, and
10 Council members. The adjudicative proceeding for the
11 Wautoma Solar Energy Project is scheduled for Wednesday,
12 September 25, beginning at 9:00 a.m. All documents for
13 Council review are available in the Council's
14 SharePoint. Staff can provide assistance in locating
15 these if any of you are having difficulties. The
16 subsequent Public Hearing -- excuse me. The subsequent
17 Public Comment Hearing Session is scheduled for Thursday
18 evening, October 3rd, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Thank you.
19 May I answer any questions?
20 CHAIR DREW: So again for Council members.
21 There are pre-filed documents for the hearing already on
22 our SharePoint site.
23 LANCE CAPUTO: That is correct.
24 CHAIR DREW: So if you need any assistance
25 finding those, perhaps staff can send a link to the

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1 Wautoma Council members just to kind of have that right
2 in front of us because, you know, it's helpful to review
3 all of that ahead-of-time before, and we all will be
4 doing that before the adjudication.
5 LANCE CAPUTO: We will do that for you.
6 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.
7 I also want to comment because, those of you
8 who are seeing our report, we have new editions, which I
9 am very happy to see, which is that it's identifying
10 where in our site certification process each project is
11 and the location of the project. So. Thank you, staff,
12 for adding those to our information sheets.
13 So for the public. You can also look those up
14 and follow them on a month-to-month basis.
15 Any questions from Council members about
16 Wautoma or the adjudicative process coming up?
17 Okay. Moving on to the Hop Hill Solar project
18 update, Mr. Barnes.
19 JOHN BARNES: Thank you, Chair Drew, and
20 Council members. For the record, this is John Barnes,
21 EFSEC staff for the Hop Hill application.
22 We are continuing with the applicant to
23 complete studies and reports needed to make a SEPA
24 determination. We continue to coordinate and review the
25 application with our contractor, contracted agencies,

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1 and tribal governments. Are there any questions?
2 CHAIR DREW: Any questions from Council
3 members?
4 Okay. Carriger Solar project update,
5 Ms. Snarski.
6 JOANNE SNARSKI: Thank you, Chair Drew,
7 and Council members. For the record, this is Joanne
8 Snarski, the siting specialist for Carriger Solar.
9 In August, we received an updated amendment to
10 the Wetland and Waterbodies Delineation Report
11 previously submitted in 2023. This amendment was in
12 response to comments received from Ecology both in
13 writing and during a field visit conducted in -- last
14 spring. We anticipate final comments from Ecology in
15 mid October on that report.
16 May I answer any questions?
17 CHAIR DREW: Are there any questions for
18 Ms. Snarski?
19 Thank you.
20 Wallula Gap project update, Mr. Barnes.
21 JOHN BARNES: Thank you, Chair Drew, and
22 Council members. For the record, this is John Barnes,
23 EFSEC staff for the Wallula Gap application.
24 EFSEC received on August 29th responses from
25 OneEnergy regarding a request for additional

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1 information. The request is the result of an
2 application review which discovered additional
3 information was determined to be needed to reach a SEPA
4 determination for this application. Staff are
5 continuing to review the application with our
6 contractor, contracted agencies, and tribal governments.
7 Are there any questions?
8 CHAIR DREW: Any questions?
9 Thank you.
10 Goldeneye BESS. Mr. Ahmed.
11 ZIA AHMED: Thank you, Chair Drew, and
12 Council member. For the record, this is Zia Ahmed,
13 Siting Specialist for the Goldeneye Battery Energy
14 Storage Projects.
15 Staff from other agencies are continuing to
16 review the ASC and work collaborate with EFSEC. That's
17 all the updates I have for now. Let me know if you have
18 any questions.
19 CHAIR DREW: Any questions for Mr. Ahmed?
20 Thank you.
21 That concludes the agenda for today. Thank
22 you, all. Meeting is adjourned.
23 (Adjourned at 2:05 p.m.)
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ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

Horse Heaven Wind Farm

Hearing Held Friday, March 10, 2023

621 Woodland Square Loop SE

Lacey, Washington

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<p style="text-align: right;">Page 2</p> <p>1 A P P E A R A N C E S</p> <p>2</p> <p>3 (Attendees present via Teams Video Conference,</p> <p>4 unless otherwise noted)</p> <p>5</p> <p>6 KATHLEEN DREW, EFSEC (Present in person)</p> <p>7 ELIZABETH OSBORNE, Commerce</p> <p>8 ELI LEVITT, Ecology</p> <p>9 ANDREA GRANTHAM, EFSEC (Present in person)</p> <p>10 MIKE LIVINGSTON, Fish and Wildlife</p> <p>11 LENNY YOUNG, Natural Resources</p> <p>12 ED BROST, Horse Heaven</p> <p>13 STACY BREWSTER, Utilities and Transportation</p> <p>14 SONIA BUMPUS, EFSEC (Present in person)</p> <p>15 AMI HAFKEMEYER, EFSEC (Present in person)</p> <p>16 AMY MOON, EFSEC</p> <p>17 SEAN GREENE, EFSEC</p> <p>18 JON THOMPSON, Assistant Attorney General</p> <p>19 ZACK PACKER, Assistant Attorney General</p> <p>20 SARAH REYNEVELD, Counsel for the Environment</p> <p>21 ADAM TOREM, Administrative Law Judge</p> <p>22</p> <p>23</p> <p>24</p> <p>25</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 4</p> <p>1 MS. GRANTHAM: Utilities and Transportation</p> <p>2 Commission.</p> <p>3 S. BREWSTER: Stacey Brewster present.</p> <p>4 MS. GRANTHAM: For Benton County, Ed Brost.</p> <p>5 E. BROST: Present.</p> <p>6 MS. GRANTHAM: Assistant Attorney General,</p> <p>7 Jon Thompson.</p> <p>8 J. THOMPSON: Present.</p> <p>9 MS. GRANTHAM: And Zack Packer.</p> <p>10 Z. PACKER: Present.</p> <p>11 MS. GRANTHAM: Administrative Law Judge Adam</p> <p>12 Torem.</p> <p>13 JUDGE TOREM: Present.</p> <p>14 MS. GRANTHAM: I will call council staff who</p> <p>15 may speak today: Sonia Bumpus.</p> <p>16 S. BUMPUS: Present.</p> <p>17 MS. GRANTHAM: Ami Hafkemeyer.</p> <p>18 A. HAFKEMEYER: Present.</p> <p>19 MS. GRANTHAM: Amy Moon.</p> <p>20 A. MOON: Amy Moon present.</p> <p>21 MS. GRANTHAM: And Sean Greene.</p> <p>22 S. GREENE: Present.</p> <p>23 MS. GRANTHAM: Is there anyone present for</p> <p>24 the Council for the Environment?</p> <p>25 S. REYNEVELD: Yes, Sarah Reyneveld is</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 3</p> <p>1 BE IT REMEMBERED that on Friday,</p> <p>2 September 13, 2024, 3:30 p.m., at 621 Woodland Square Loop</p> <p>3 SE, Lacey, Washington, before Ann Marie Allison, Certified</p> <p>4 Court Reporter, the following proceedings were had, to wit:</p> <p>5</p> <p>6 ***</p> <p>7 (Meeting held via Teams Video Conference</p> <p>8 and in person)</p> <p>9</p> <p>10 CHAIR DREW: Good afternoon. This is</p> <p>11 Kathleen Drew, chair of the Energy Facility Site Evaluation</p> <p>12 Council, calling to order our special meeting for Friday,</p> <p>13 September 13th.</p> <p>14 Ms. Grantham, will you call the role?</p> <p>15 MS. GRANTHAM: Certainly.</p> <p>16 Department of Commerce.</p> <p>17 E. OSBORNE: Elizabeth Osborne present.</p> <p>18 MS. GRANTHAM: Department of Ecology.</p> <p>19 E. LEVITT: Eli Levitt present.</p> <p>20 MS. GRANTHAM: Department of Fish and</p> <p>21 Wildlife.</p> <p>22 M. LIVINGSTON: Mike Livingston present.</p> <p>23 MS. GRANTHAM: Department of Natural</p> <p>24 Resources.</p> <p>25 L. YOUNG: Lenny Young present.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 5</p> <p>1 present.</p> <p>2 MS. GRANTHAM: Thank you.</p> <p>3 Chair, there is a quorum.</p> <p>4 CHAIR DREW: Thank you, Ms. Grantham.</p> <p>5 Council members, you see before you the agenda for</p> <p>6 today. I will ask if there's a motion to adopt the agenda.</p> <p>7 S. BREWSTER: Stacey Brewster, so moved.</p> <p>8 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.</p> <p>9 Second?</p> <p>10 E. LEVITT: Eli Levitt, second.</p> <p>11 CHAIR DREW: Okay. All those in favor say</p> <p>12 "Aye."</p> <p>13 (Aye)</p> <p>14 CHAIR DREW: Opposed?</p> <p>15 (No response)</p> <p>16 CHAIR DREW: The agenda is adopted.</p> <p>17 Before we move on to the council discussion on the</p> <p>18 Horse Heaven Wind Farm, I have an update from Executive</p> <p>19 Director Sonya Bumpus about an issue that's recently come to</p> <p>20 our attention.</p> <p>21 Ms. Bumpus.</p> <p>22 S. BUMPUS: Thank you, Chair Drew and council</p> <p>23 members. For the record, this is Sonia Bumpus.</p> <p>24 So at our last special meeting, the council</p> <p>25 deliberated on the project for this final action that's</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 6</p> <p>1 before you today. And since that time, EFSEC has learned 2 that there was an application submitted by the applicant for 3 the transfer of water rights that is currently with the 4 local water conservancy board for use of the Gould Well. 5 We wanted to make sure that we let the council 6 know about this, and we have prepared some information that 7 Sean Greene is going to share with you, and we'll take any 8 questions that you have afterwards. 9 Mr. Greene. 10 S. GREENE: Thank you. For the record, this 11 is Sean Greene. 12 In regards to this request, this application would 13 permit the project to make use of Gould Well's water rights 14 to meet project needs during construction and operation. 15 While the FEIS, the Final Environmental Impact Statement, 16 does not cover the specific environmental impacts associated 17 with the withdrawal from this discrete water source, it does 18 fully evaluate environmental impacts associated with the 19 project use of a similar off-site water source. 20 The use of Gould Well would result in roughly 21 equivalent environmental impacts as the example of the water 22 source used in the FEIS analysis. Staff does not anticipate 23 any new or increased project environmental impacts as a 24 result of the use of Gould Well's water rights as a 25 potential water source.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 8</p> <p>1 CHAIR DREW: Are there any questions from 2 council members? 3 (No response) 4 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Moving on then to the 5 council discussion -- oh, is there a question from a council 6 member? I don't know who that is. 7 MS. GRANTHAM: I think that's just feedback 8 from Ed. 9 CHAIR DREW: Okay. So moving on to the Horse 10 Heaven Wind Farm discussion, all of you council members have 11 had the opportunity to review the proposed draft SCA that 12 staff has prepared under request from us to respond to the 13 governor's concerns and direction. Does anyone have any 14 questions about the information that has been provided, the 15 discussion from the last meeting and anything at all about 16 the proposed draft SCA revisions? 17 (No response) 18 CHAIR DREW: Okay. At this point I'd like to 19 ask if there is a motion to approve the revised draft SCA 20 for the governor, and I would ask for a roll call vote. 21 S. BREWSTER: Stacey Brewster, so moved. 22 CHAIR DREW: Thank you. 23 Is there a second? 24 E. OSBORNE: Elizabeth Osborne, second. 25 CHAIR DREW: Elizabeth Osborne second.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 7</p> <p>1 As part of the applicant's water rights transfer 2 request, EFSEC staff will work with the Department of 3 Ecology to ensure that impact analysis specific to the Gould 4 Well water rights transfer is completed and included in the 5 FEIS, either as an addendum or supplemental. Addendums and 6 supplementals are a standard part of SEPA process to 7 incorporate any new or updated information into an EIS and 8 it was always anticipated that this FEIS would be similarly 9 updated over time. 10 The draft SCA before the council today includes 11 multiple authorizations that the project would need to 12 receive between the execution of the SCA and the startup 13 instruction, including a requirement that the applicant 14 provide certification of water availability to EFSEC. This 15 condition of the SCA requires that the applicant provide 16 EFSEC with information showing that the water source that 17 they use will be sustainable and adhere to the best 18 management practices. 19 It is the opinion of staff that the council has 20 been provided with a comprehensive analysis of project 21 impacts on the regional aquifer in this FEIS and that this 22 water rights transfer request does not materially affect 23 council's ability to cast an informed vote on whether to 24 recommend this draft SCA for the governor's approval. 25 And I'll take any questions if you have them.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 9</p> <p>1 Thank you. 2 I will ask the -- and Ms. Grantham to call the 3 roll of the council on the approval of the proposed draft 4 Site Certification Agreement. 5 MS. GRANTHAM: And I will start with you, 6 Chair Drew. 7 CHAIR DREW: Aye. 8 MS. GRANTHAM: Department of Commerce. 9 E. OSBORNE: Aye. 10 MS. GRANTHAM: Department of Ecology. 11 E. LEVITT: Aye. 12 MS. GRANTHAM: Department of Fish and 13 Wildlife. 14 M. LIVINGSTON: Nay. 15 MS. GRANTHAM: Department of Natural 16 Resources. 17 L. YOUNG: Nay. 18 MS. GRANTHAM: Utilities and Transportation 19 Commission. 20 S. BREWSTER: Aye. 21 MS. GRANTHAM: And for Benton County, Ed 22 Brost. 23 E. BROST: Nay. 24 MS. GRANTHAM: There are four "Ayes" and 25 three "Nays," Chair Drew.</p>

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1 CHAIR DREW: I neglected to ask if there were
2 comments, and it is appropriate for people to give their
3 comments, if you wish to, at this point in time.
4 Mr. Young.
5 L. YOUNG: Thank you, Chair Drew.
6 I was not able to support the original SCA and
7 recommendation of the governor because I felt that the SCA
8 did not specially reduce impacts to Yakama Nation
9 traditional cultural properties, and my concern in this area
10 is only heightened by the revision of the -- council just
11 voted on.
12 And I do appreciate the specific attention to the
13 Yakama Nation TCPs by the bounding out of an area around
14 Weber Canyon, but in terms of comparing the revision to the
15 original SCA, that's a wash because that area had been
16 bounded out for other reasons in the original SCA.
17 And the way the rest of the revision is
18 configured, there's a lot of land that was bounded out
19 previously that is now back in play, and as we were briefed
20 by staff at our August 29 meeting, substantial number of
21 turbines, as originally indicated, as we've been working
22 through the process, that would come back into play, back
23 onto the land.
24 So my concerns around Yakama Nation TCPs have only
25 been heightened by the revision, and that's the reason I

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1 voted "nay" today.
2 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.
3 Ms. Osborne.
4 E. OSBORNE: Thank you, Chair Drew.
5 I first of all want to take a moment to say thanks
6 to this group for allowing me some extra time for this vote.
7 I had an unexpected medical issue, and I really appreciate
8 your understanding.
9 I listened to the meeting recording from
10 August 29th, and again, very much appreciated the questions
11 and discussion of the council members and the work by staff
12 to prepare for this decision and address the council's
13 questions at that time.
14 I shared some concerns, I think that had been
15 voiced by others, around impacts to traditional cultural
16 properties, but overall, each of the mitigation measures
17 that were opposed by staff and that have been considered by
18 this council are acceptable to me, and that's really the
19 comment I wanted to make. Thank you.
20 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.
21 Other comments? Ms. Brewster.
22 I think you're muted.
23 S. BREWSTER: Sorry. I thought I had clicked
24 unmute.
25 CHAIR DREW: That's okay.

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1 S. BREWSTER: A number of the public comments
2 commended the original SCA for its science-based protections
3 and litigation measures, especially for ferruginous hawk.
4 And I think -- you know, I thought about it quite a bit. I
5 think the same is true for this revised version. It allows
6 for more specific scientific evaluation and adaptive
7 management and mitigation, which includes exclusion beyond
8 the point six miles around hawk nests, while balancing the
9 need for green energy production.
10 So I was for the original SCA, and I appreciated
11 those hard boundaries. This new one puts them a bit more in
12 flux, but I think it allows for sufficient protections and
13 an opportunity to study it further. I think it's -- I'm
14 okay with this.
15 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.
16 Other comments?
17 (No response)
18 I wanted to say thank you to all of you for all of
19 your time and effort and attention that you have put in
20 throughout this process, your thoughtful consideration.
21 It's not an easy task. This is a very complex project that
22 our statute requires us to really take that look of
23 providing for abundant clean energy at a reasonable cost,
24 while at the same time addressing the impacts to the
25 environment and the broad interests of the public.

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1 And we can all look at the same information and
2 have a slightly different answer, and I just appreciate all
3 the work that you've put forward, coming from your
4 perspectives, to add to our consideration as a whole, of
5 this project.
6 And I'd especially like to thank the hard work of
7 the EFSEC staff in putting the information before us,
8 putting the options before us, helping us work through this
9 very challenging balancing of the need for clean energy,
10 with impacts that we see to the community and to the
11 wildlife in the area.
12 So my great appreciation to everyone on this
13 council and on the staff who has spent long, hard hours, and
14 motion is carried.
15 With that, this meeting is adjourned.
16 Oh, Lenny, go ahead. I will, Mr. Young, allow you
17 to -- almost cut you off then.
18 L. YOUNG: Thank you. I was just going to
19 inquire. Of course, our attention has been focused on the
20 SCA, the revision, but is there going to be something
21 similar to the report that transmits the revised SCA to the
22 governor? Is there a cover letter or a document like we had
23 before that would be going with this one?
24 CHAIR DREW: I've discussed this with our
25 counsel, Jon Thompson, and because what we are required to

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1 do is provide just the revised SCA. It will have a cover
2 letter from me just explaining what those changes are.
3 L. YOUNG: Okay. So there wouldn't be a
4 document like we had before --
5 CHAIR DREW: No.
6 L. YOUNG: -- in which the council members
7 either sign it or provide a statement?
8 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.
9 L. YOUNG: Okay. Thank you for that.
10 CHAIR DREW: Thank you for asking that. I
11 appreciate that.
12 Okay. Any other questions before I adjourn the
13 meeting?
14 (No response)
15 With that, I appreciate every one of you and your
16 perspectives and the work you've put into this discussion
17 and decision. Meeting is adjourned.
18 (Adjourned 3:48 p.m.)
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/s/Ann Marie G. Allison, CCR
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EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update Format

Facility Name: Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project

Operator: EDP Renewables

Report Date: October 7, 2024

Reporting Period: September 2024

Site Contact: Jarred Caseday, Operations Manager

Facility SCA Status: Operational

Operations & Maintenance (only applicable for operating facilities)

- Power generated: 26,415.79 MWH.
 - Wind speed: 8.22m/s.
 - Capacity Factor: 46.15%.
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Environmental Compliance

- No incidents

Safety Compliance

- Nothing to report

Current or Upcoming Projects

- Nothing to report

Other

- No sound complaints
- No shadow flicker complaints

EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update

Facility Name: Wild Horse Wind Facility
Operator: Puget Sound Energy
Report Date: October 9, 2024
Report Period: September 2024
Site Contact: Jennifer Galbraith
SCA Status: Operational

Operations & Maintenance

September generation totaled 47,819 MWh for an average capacity factor of 24.36%.

Environmental Compliance

Nothing to report.

Safety Compliance

Nothing to report.

Current or Upcoming Projects

Nothing to report.

Other

Nothing to report.

EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update

Facility Name: Chehalis Generation Facility
Operator: PacifiCorp
Report Date: October 3, 2024
Reporting Period: September 2024
Site Contact: Jeremy Smith, Operations Manager
Facility SCA Status: Operational

Operations & Maintenance

-Relevant energy generation information, such as wind speed, number of windy or sunny days, gas line supply updates, etc.

- 201,486 net MW-hrs. generated in the reporting period for a capacity factor of 58.25%

The following information must be reported to the Council if applicable to the facility:

Environmental Compliance

-Monthly Water Usage: 1,744,226 gallons

- Both of the City of Chehalis water meters are out of commission. Chehalis utility district has replacements on order.

-Monthly Wastewater Returned: 763,693 gallons

-Permit status if any changes.

- No changes.

-Update on progress or completion of any mitigation measures identified.

- Nothing to report

-Any EFSEC-related inspections that occurred.

- Nothing to report.

-Any EFSEC-related complaints or violations that occurred.

- Nothing to report

-Brief list of reports submitted to EFSEC during the monthly reporting period.

- Nothing to report

Safety Compliance

-Safety training or improvements that relate to SCA conditions.

- Zero injuries this reporting period for a total of 3,349 days without a Lost Time Accident.

Current or Upcoming Projects

- Planned site improvements.
 - No planned changes.
- Upcoming permit renewals.
 - Nothing to report.
- Additional mitigation improvements or milestones.
 - Nothing to report.

Other

- Current events of note (e.g., Covid response updates, seasonal concerns due to inclement weather, etc.).
 - Nothing to report.
- Personnel changes as they may relate to EFSEC facility contacts (e.g., introducing a new staff member who may provide facility updates to the Council).
 - Nothing to report.
- Public outreach of interest (e.g., schools, public, facility outreach).
 - Nothing to report.

Respectfully,



Jeremy Smith
Gas Plant Operations Manager
Chehalis Generation Facility

EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update

Facility Name: Grays Harbor Energy Center

Operator: Grays Harbor Energy LLC

Report Date: October 16, 2024

Reporting Period: September 2024

Site Contact: Chris Sherin

Facility SCA Status: Operational

Operations & Maintenance

-GHEC generated 376,235MWh during the month and 2,298,341MWh YTD.

The following information must be reported to the Council if applicable to the facility:

Environmental Compliance

-There were no emissions, outfall, or storm water deviations, during the month.

-Routine monthly, quarterly, and annual reporting to EFSEC Staff.

- Monthly Outfall Discharge Monitor Report (DMR).
- Semi-Annual Air Operating Permit (AOP) Report
- Relative Accuracy Test Audit (RATA) Results

-Followed up with EFSEC Staff on Transmittals GHE510 dated June 6, 2024, and GHE512 dated July 3, 2024, regarding CO startup/shutdown emissions exceeding the 500pound limit per startup/shutdown event and provided the data that was initially not submitted (submitted as “TBD”) because the data was unavailable (The Plant was running and required a shutdown to obtain the final data.) at the time of submission.

Safety Compliance

- None.

Current or Upcoming Projects

- Submitted the Acid Rain Permit Application for permit renewal in accordance with Permit Requirements 1(i) of Acid Rain Permit No. EFSEC/10-01-AR.

-NPDES permit renewal application submitted to EFSEC in December 2023 in accordance with Section S6.A of NPDES Permit No. WA0024961.

Other

-On October 1st, Eric Pace returned from military service and has resumed his role as Plant Engineer at GHEC. Pete Valinske is no longer a point of contact.

EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting Facility Update

Facility Name: Columbia Solar Projects (Penstemon, Camas and Urtica)

Operator: Tuusso Energy, LLC

Report Date: October 2nd, 2024

Reporting Period: 30 Days from September 1, 2024

Site Contact: Thomas Cushing

Facility SCA Status: Operation

Construction Status

- Penstemon
 - Currently operational
 - Total Generation during the month of September was 1.097 GWh

 - Camas
 - Currently operational
 - Total Generation during the month of September was 1.062 GWh

 - Urtica
 - Currently operational
 - Total Generation during the month of September was 1.077 GWh
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EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting

Facility Name: **Columbia Generating Station and Washington Nuclear Project 1 and 4 (WNP-1/4)**

Operator: **Energy Northwest**

Report Date: **October 16th, 2024**

Reporting Period: **September 2024**

Site Contact: **Denis Mehinagic**

Facility SCA Status: **Operational**

CGS Net Electrical Generation for September 2024: **797,035 Mega Watt-Hours.**

The following information must be reported to the Council if applicable to the facility:

Environmental Compliance:

On September 23, 2024, Columbia Generating Station sent a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) 5-day noncompliance report for the potential release of lubricating oil into the plant service water (TSW) system due to a failure in heat exchanger TO-HX-2B on Reactor Feed Turbine Alpha (RFT-A). However, after thorough troubleshooting, Energy Northwest determined that the heat exchanger had no indication of failure and no oil from TO-HX-2B entered the TSW system or the Columbia River.

The oil leakage pathway was traced from the oil reservoir to RFT-A, passing through a failed seal and exiting the equipment to a marine oil separator located adjacent to RFT-A. The volume of oil found in the oil-water mixture removed from the marine oil separator closely matched the total amount of oil added to the oil reservoir given known losses external to RFT-A. Both the excessive oil additions to the reservoir and frequent removal of the oil-water mixture from the separator began in June 2023. The oil-water mixture from the marine oil separator is collected and separated, with the oil ultimately sent off as waste.

TO-HX-2B was taken out of service on September 21, 2024. Oil samples taken from the heat exchanger showed no signs of an oil-water mixture, ruling out the possibility of a leak in the heat exchanger. Since there is a theoretical pathway for oil to exit the heat exchanger while in service, it would also be a pathway for TSW to enter the heat exchanger when not in service.

Based on the above analysis, the most likely pathway for oil loss is through a seal within the pump. This leakage mixes with pump seal water leak off and exits through a marine oil separator into a collection barrel. Therefore, Energy Northwest is providing this written retraction of the oil spill reported on September 18, 2024, and the corresponding 5-day report.

In addition, Energy Northwest is evaluating additional actions to prevent reoccurrence in the future. The evaluation is being driven under the Energy Northwest Corrective Action Program and is assigned Condition Report number 462562.

Safety Compliance

No update.

Current or Upcoming Projects

No update.

Other

No update.

EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update Format

Facility Name: Goose Prairie Solar

Operator: Brookfield Renewable US

Report Date: 10/09/24

Reporting Period: 09/10/24 to 10/09/24

Site Contact: Jacob Crist

Facility SCA Status: (Pre-construction/**Construction**/Operational/Decommission)

Construction Status (only applicable for projects under construction)

-On schedule or not. If not, provide additional information/explanation.

1. **Project remains ahead of the contractual schedule.**
2. **Upcoming Milestone Dates for commissioning activities.**
 - a. **10/14/2024, Earliest possible COD/utility signoff**
 - b. **Targeting Substantial Completion around late October to early November.**
 - c. **Capacity and Availability testing scheduled to occur in late October.**

-Phase/Brief update on status/month in review.

1. **All major scope items are complete. Modules, racking, trackers, substation**
2. **Back feed of the substation is complete up to the inverters.**
3. **Hot commissioning complete.**
4. **BPA curtailment checks complete.**
5. **First grass cutting is nearing completion**

Operations & Maintenance (only applicable for operating facilities)

O&M site certificate deliverables are in w/ EFSEC for approval.

The following information must be reported to the Council if applicable to the facility:

Environmental Compliance

-Update on progress or completion of any mitigation measures identified.

1. **No discharge on the site reported in September.**

-Any EFSEC-related inspections that occurred.

1. **Frequent Monitoring is occurring through WSP with no findings reported for September**
2. **EFSEC Staff was also onsite during our revegetation survey and SWPPP inspection.**

Safety Compliance

No update

Current or Upcoming Projects

No update

Other

-Current events of note (e.g., Covid response updates, seasonal concerns due to inclement weather, etc.).

-Personnel changes as they may relate to EFSEC facility contacts (e.g., introducing a new staff member who may provide facility updates to the Council).

Nelson Jia will join the October Meeting. Nelson is the asset manager for our operations team. Nelson will be providing the operational updates once we reach that point.

-Public outreach of interest (e.g., schools, public, facility outreach).

Governors visit scheduled for 10/14/24.

High Top and Ostrea Solar Projects

General Description:

Ostrea Solar is an 80 MW solar photovoltaic (PV) project complete with an optional battery storage system (BESS) on eight parcels of land within the Agricultural Zoning District, near the city of Moxee, not to exceed 811.3 acres. The Project will consist of PV panels, single axis tracking PV modules and inverters, an electrical collection system, a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), an operation and maintenance building, access roads, interior roads, security fencing, a collector substation, and electrical interconnection infrastructure.

Location:

Unincorporated Yakima County, WA. 22 miles east of Moxee.

Applicant:

Cypress Creek Renewables

Milestone Dates:

- November 30, 2021, Original ASC Submitted
- April 6, 2023, SCA Executed and Signed by Governor Jay Inslee
- August 21, 2024, Council Approved Ostrea ISRP

Status:

Application Approved
SCA Signed
Pre-Construction
Construction
Prior to Commercial Operations
Operations
Termination, Decommissioning and Site Restoration

Location Map:





STATE OF WASHINGTON

ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

PO Box 43172 • Olympia, Washington 98504-3172

September XX, 2024

John Hanks
Cypress Creek Renewables
3402 Pico Blvd
Santa Monica, CA 90405

RE: Coverage under the Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSWGP) for the Ostrea Solar facility

Dear Mr. Hanks:

The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) received your Notice of Intent (NOI) for coverage under the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSWGP). Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 80.50 and RCW 90.48, and Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 463-76-005 and WAC 463-76-010(27), authorize EFSEC to grant coverage under this general permit issued by Ecology. Permit compliance will be governed by applicable provisions of RCW 80.50, RCW 90.48, WAC 173-201A, WAC 463-76, and WAC 463-70. This is your letter of coverage. Your CSWGP coverage is effective **XX/XX/2024**.

Please retain this permit coverage letter with your permit, stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP), and site log book. These materials are the official record of permit coverage for your site.

Except where noted below, all references to “Ecology” or “the department” within the CSWGP mean “EFSEC” or “the Council.” All references to the “Director” mean the “the Council”. This includes any instances of reporting, documentation requirements, and permissions.

All conditions of the CSWGP apply except as specifically modified below for compliance with EFSEC’s authorities and regulations. Please take time to read the entire permit and contact EFSEC if you have any questions.

Special Conditions Modifications

S2 Application Requirements

1. EFSEC received CCR's NOI as part of an application for site certification under RCW 80.50.060 and WAC 463-76-031. RCW 80.50 governs this application therefore the procedural requirements of **Condition S2** do not apply to this initial coverage. Permittee will follow the requirements in WAC 463-76-061 to reapply for coverage.
2. **Condition S2.A.2** does not apply to this permit coverage.
3. The following sentence is substituted for Condition S2.B in its entirety:
Public notice for this permit coverage is governed by the site certification procedure in RCW 80.50, and, in the case of reissuance, WAC 463-76-041 & 042.

S3.C.2 Compliance with Standards

For the purposes of Special Conditions S3.C.2, S4.B.1, S9.C, and S9.D.13.d; General Condition G25.A.1; as well as for the Definitions in this permit, the referenced stormwater management manuals are those approved by the Ecology.

S4.C.5.b. Monitoring Requirements, Benchmarks, and Reporting Triggers

The following requirement is added to Condition S4.C.5.b.:

When phone reporting is required, dual notification shall be made to both EFSEC and Ecology. Notification to Ecology shall be made in accordance with Special Conditions S4.C.5.b.i. Notification to EFSEC shall be made via phone at (360) 664-1345.

S5.A High Turbidity Reporting

The following requirement is added to Condition S5.A.:

Whenever a report is required under this condition, dual notification to both EFSEC and Ecology shall be made. Notification to EFSEC shall be made via phone at (360) 664-1345. Notification to Ecology shall be made in accordance with Special Condition S5.A.

S5.B Discharge Monitoring Reports

The following requirement is substituted for Condition S5.B. in its entirety:

Permittees required to conduct water quality sampling in accordance with Special Conditions S4.C (Turbidity/Transparency), S4.D (pH), S8 (303(d)/TMDL sampling), and/or G13 (Additional Sampling) must submit the results to both Ecology and EFSEC. The first monitoring period begins at the commencement of construction of the facility. The falsification of information submitted to the Council shall constitute a violation of the terms and conditions of the Site Certification Agreement.

Permittees must submit monitoring data to Ecology electronically using Ecology's WQWebDMR web application accessed through Ecology's Water Quality Permitting Portal. To find out more information and to sign up for WQWebDMR go to: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/paris/portal.html>.

In addition to reporting through WQWebDMR, permittee must submit a signed paper copy of the DMR to the Council at the following address:

EFSEC
P.O. Box 43172
Olympia, WA 98504-3172

Permittees shall submit DMR forms to be received by EFSEC within 15 days following the end of each month.

If there was no discharge during a given monitoring period, all Permittees must submit a DMR as required with "no discharge" entered in place of the monitoring results. DMRs are required for the full duration of permit coverage (from issuance date to termination).

S5.F Noncompliance Notification

The following requirements are **added** to **Condition S5.F.:**

All notifications under this condition shall be made to both Ecology and EFSEC. Notifications to Ecology should follow the procedures in S5.F.1 and S5.F.3.

4. All phone notifications required by this section must also be made to EFSEC via phone at (360) 664-1345. Any notification required to be sent to Ecology via paper copy or via WQWebPortal must also be sent via paper copy to EFSEC at:
EFSEC
P.O. Box 43172
Olympia, WA 98504-3172
5. Sampling and analysis of any violation must be repeated and results submitted to the EFSEC within 30 days of the permittee becoming aware of the violation;
6. A detailed written report must be submitted to EFSEC within 30 days, unless requested earlier by the Council, describing the nature of the violation, corrective action taken and/or planned, steps to be taken to prevent a recurrence, results of the resampling, and any other pertinent information.

S6. Permit Fees

Condition S6 does not apply to this permit coverage.

S10.B Notice of Termination

The following requirement is **substituted** for **Condition S10.B** in its entirety:

When the site is eligible for termination, the Permittee must submit a complete and accurate Notice of Termination (NOT) form, signed in accordance with General Condition G2, to:

EFSEC
P.O. Box 43172
Olympia, WA 98504-3172

EFSEC will review the NOT for consistency with the requirements of Condition S10.A and notify the Permittee if the NOT is approved or denied.

Permittee is required to comply with all conditions and effluent limitations in the permit until the permit has been terminated.

Transfer of coverage may only be authorized by the Council.

General Conditions Modifications

G2. Signatory Requirements

For the purpose of compliance with Condition G2.B, all reports and information requested must be provided to both EFSEC and Ecology, and shall be signed by a person described in Condition G2.A, or by a duly authorized representative of that person. Authorization of a representative is made in writing, and submitted to both EFSEC and Ecology and specifies an individual or position as described in G2.B.2.

For the purpose of compliance with Condition G2.C, in the event of a change in personnel or organization such that the above authorization is no longer accurate, new authorization must be submitted to both EFSEC and Ecology either prior to or together with any reports, information, or applications signed by an authorized representative.

G3. Right of Inspection and Entry

For the purpose of compliance with Condition G3, the permittee must allow inspection and entry by an authorized representative of either Ecology or EFSEC, upon presentation of credentials and other such documents as may be required by law.

G.5 Revocation of Coverage under the Permit

The following is substituted for Condition G5 in its entirety:

Coverage under this permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated in accordance with the provisions of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 463-76-062 applicable to individual permit modification, revocation and termination. Grounds for modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination of coverage include, but are not limited to, the causes listed in WAC 463-76-055(2).

G8. Duty to Reapply

For the purpose of compliance with Condition G8, the Permittee must reapply by submitting an NOI to EFSEC, not Ecology, and follow the requirements of WAC 463-76-061.

G13. Penalties for Violating Permit Conditions

The following is **substituted** for **Condition G13** in its entirety:

Enforcement actions for violations of this permit, including the issuance of penalties, shall be consistent with RCW 80.50.150, RCW 80.50.155, RCW 90.48, WAC 463-70 and WAC 463-76.

G23. Appeals

The following is **substituted** for **Condition G23** in its entirety:

The terms and conditions of coverage under this permit, prepared as part of an application for site certification, are subject to judicial review pursuant to RCW 80.50.140. The Council's reissuance, modification, or revocation of the permit is subject to judicial review pursuant to the provisions of RCW 34.05 (WAC 463-76-063).

Questions or Additional Information

If you have questions regarding stormwater management at your construction site, please contact Sara Randolph of EFSEC at (360) 485-1594 or by email.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Drew
Chair
Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council

Attachment: Department of Ecology - Construction Stormwater General Permit

cc: Sonia Bumpus, EFSEC
Amí Hafkemeyer, EFEC
Sara Randolph, EFSEC
John Barnes, EFSEC
Lloyd Stevens, ECY
Mark Peterschmidt, ECY
Nicole Flournoy, CCR
Meredith Weatherly, CCR

Horse Heaven Wind Project

General Description:

Proposed construction of a renewable energy facility that would have a nameplate energy generating capacity of up to 1,150 megawatts (MWs) for a combination of wind and solar facilities as well as battery energy storage systems (BESS). Meteorological Towers (MET), overhead transmission lines, and Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Facilities are also proposed.

Project area: 72,428 acres, privately owned land in which five DNR parcels are located within.

Location:

Unincorporated Central Benton County south of the Tri-Cities.

Applicant:

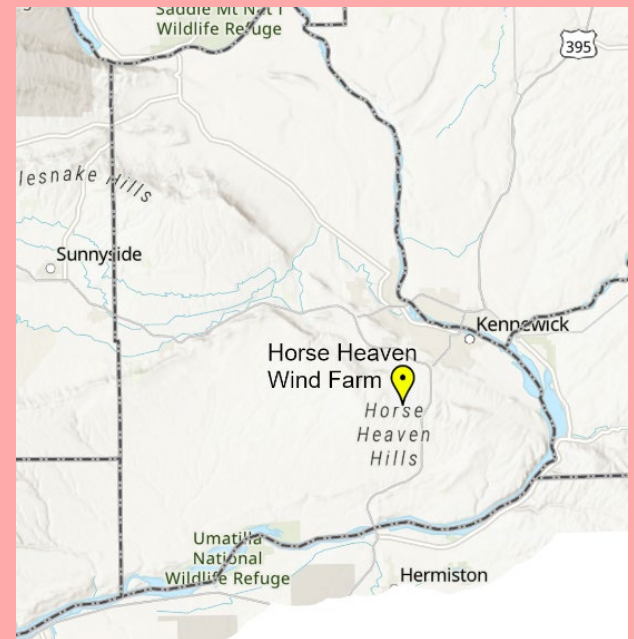
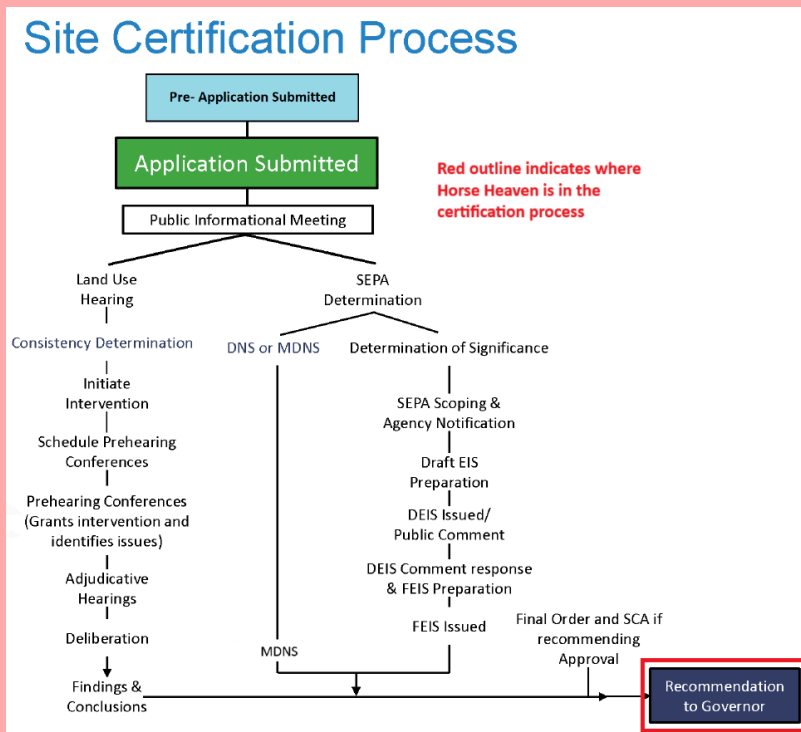
Horse Heaven Wind Farm, LLC.

Milestone Dates:

- February 8, 2021, Original ASC Submitted
- May 17, 2022, Council issues Order No. 883 of Land Use Consistency – Finding Proposed Site Consistent with Land Use Regulations.
- October 31, 2023, Final Environmental Impact Statement Issued.
- April 17, 2024, Adjudicative Order Resolving Contested Issues.
- April 29, 2024, Recommendation to the Governor Submitted.
- May 25, 2024, Governor Remanded the Council’s Recommendation.
- September 16, 2024, Final Recommendation to the Governor Submitted.

Status:

Location Map:



Wautoma Solar Energy Project

General Description:

A 470 MW solar PV facility complete with four-hour, 470 MW battery energy storage system. Includes 0.25-mile overhead transmission line connecting to BPA substation. Project area: 4,573 acres, privately owned land.

Location:

Unincorporated NW Benton County.

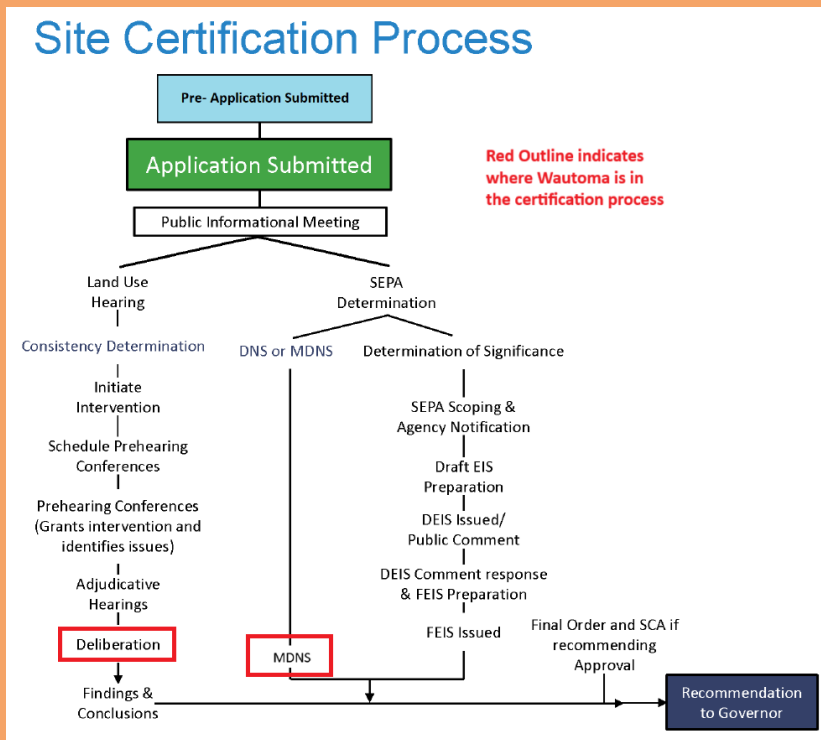
Applicant:

Innergex Renewable Development USA, LLC.

Milestone Dates:

- June 9, 2022, Original ASC Submitted
- November 16, 2022, Council issues order of Inconsistent Land Use
- May 20, 2024, MDNS Issued
- July 22, 2024, Prehearing Conference for Adjudication on Preemption
- September 25, 2024, Adjudicative Hearings

Status:



Location Map:



Hop Hill Solar Energy Project

General Description:

HOHI bn, LLC (Applicant), a subsidiary of BNC DEVCO, LLC, which is a joint venture between BrightNight, LLC and Cordelio Power. Hop Hill Solar project is an up to 500-megawatt² (MW) solar photovoltaic (PV) generation facility coupled with an up to 500-MW battery energy storage system (BESS). The Solar Array Siting Area encompasses approximately 11,179 buildable acres and the overhead 230-kV gen-tie line will be developed within a 150-foot-wide corridor and microsited within the approximately 10,841-acre Transmission Line Corridor Siting Area). The final solar array area anticipated to be approximately 6,000 acres.

Location:

Benton County, Washington.

Applicant:

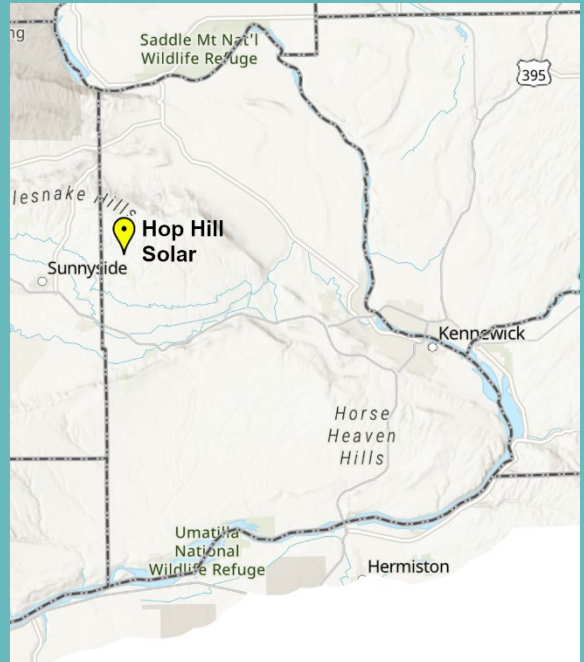
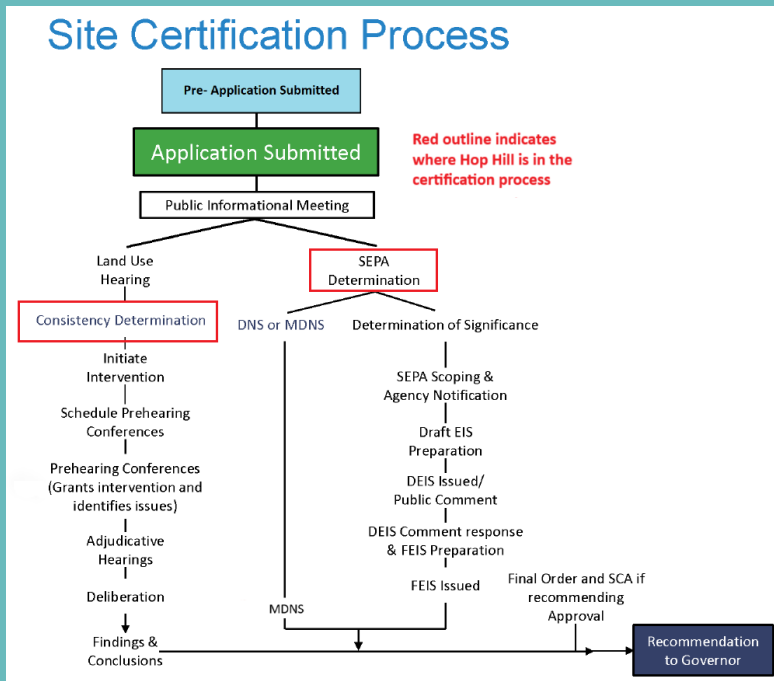
BrightNight, LLC.

Milestone Dates:

- December 22, 2022, Original ASC Submitted
- February 23, 2023, Public Comment Hearing, Land Use Consistency Hearing
- November 3, 2023, Brightnight requests application review extension (original date:12/22/23 to 12/22/24)
- November 15, 2023, Order finding Project Inconsistent with Land Use (Benton County) Regulations, setting the matter for adjudication.

Status:

Location Map:



Carriger Solar Project

General Description:

A proposed 160 megawatts (MW) solar photovoltaic (PV) electric generating facility. Includes a proposed 63 MW of battery energy storage system (BESS). Project area: 2,108- acres of privately owned land.

Location:

Unincorporated Klickitat County. Approximately 2 miles west of Goldendale.

Applicant:

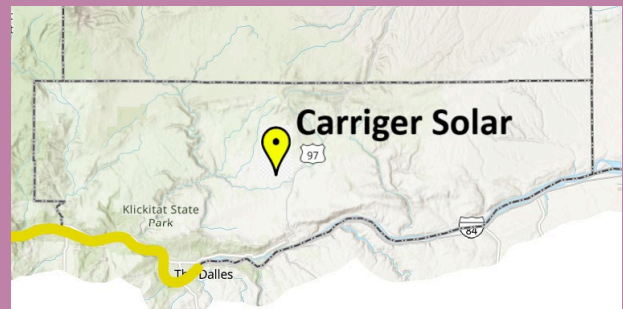
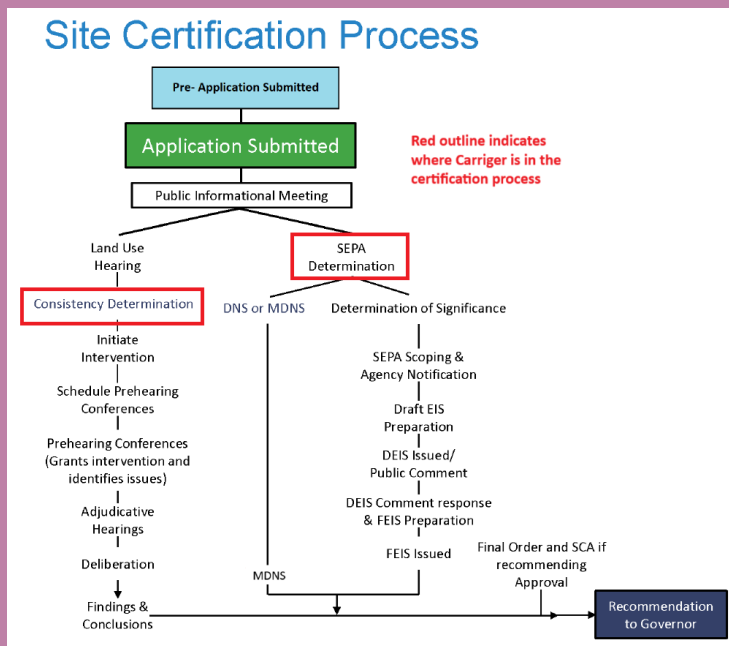
Cypress Creek Renewables, LLC.

Milestone Dates:

- February 10, 2023, Original ASC Submitted
- September 25, 2023, Council issues Order No. 889 Granting a Finding of Land Use Consistency.

Status:

Location Map:



Wallula Gap Solar Energy Project

General Description:

Wallula Gap Solar, a 60-megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic (PV) project with an optional battery energy storage system (BESS). The Facility would be located across a portion (approximately 437 acres) of three parcels. The optional BESS would not exceed the nominal 60-MW capacity of the Facility. Facility would interconnect through a line tap to Benton Public Utility District’s (PUD) 115-kV line near the Prior #2 substation. The generation would then be connected to the Bonneville Power Administration’s (BPA) facilities at the Plymouth tap (aka Paterson Tap), where Benton PUD and BPA facilities connect at BPA’s McNary substation.

Location:

Unincorporated community of Plymouth, Benton County, Washington.

Applicant:

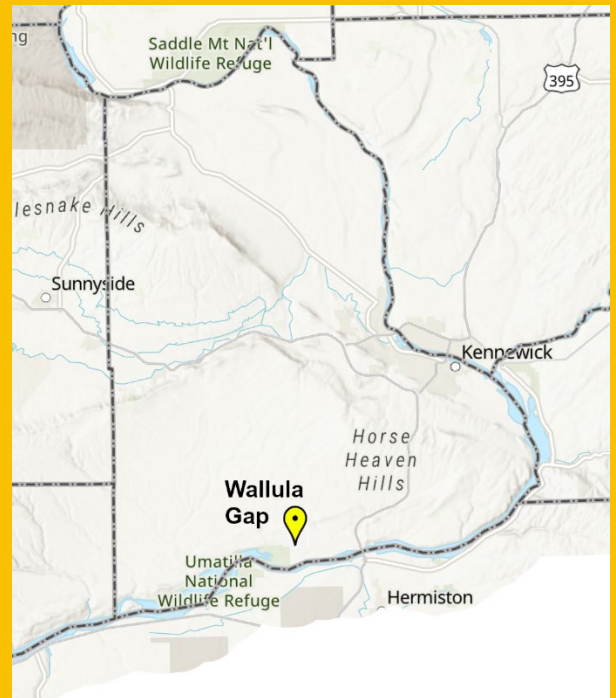
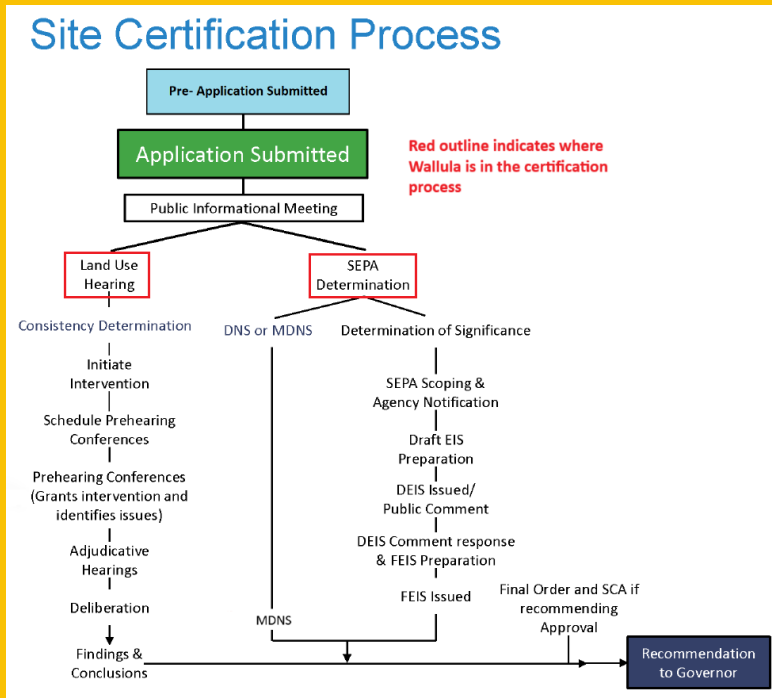
OneEnergy Development LLC

Milestone Dates:

- February 23, 2024, Original ASC Submitted
- April 23, 2024, Public Comment Hearing, Land Use Consistency Hearing

Status:

Location Map:



Goldeneye Battery Energy Storage Project

General Description:

A 200-megawatt (MW)/800-megawatt hour (MWh) battery energy storage system (BESS) project. The Project will not generate electricity, but instead provide a buffer for Skagit County's (County) electrical grid. The Project will accomplish this by receiving energy (charging) from the Puget Sound Energy (PSE) electric transmission system, storing energy on site, and then later delivering energy (discharging) back to the point of interconnection Project area: approximately 16 acres, privately owned land.

Location:

Unincorporated Skagit County, Washington.

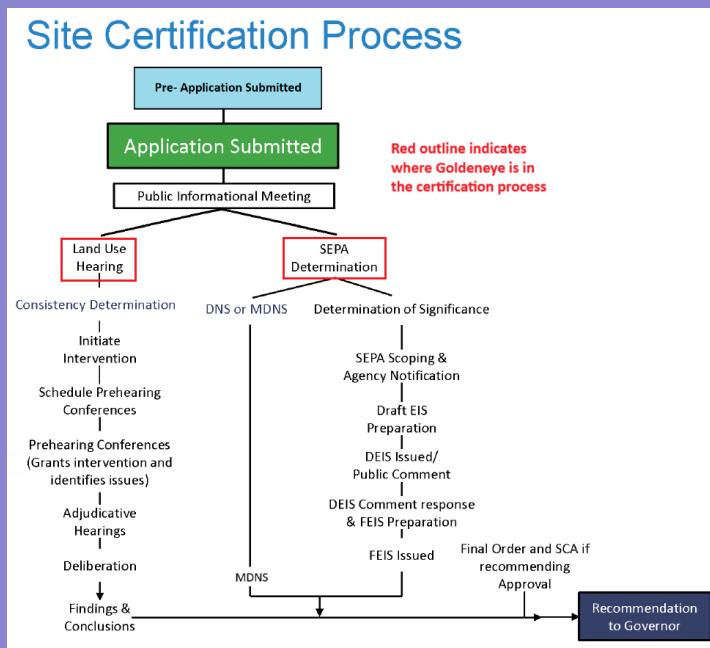
Applicant:

GOLDFINCH ENERGY STORAGE, LLC, 412 West 15th Street, 15th Floor. New York, New York 10011

Milestone Dates:

- June 27, 2024, Original ASC Submitted
- August 13, 2024, Public Information Meeting and Land Use Consistency Hearing

Status:



Location Map:



Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council

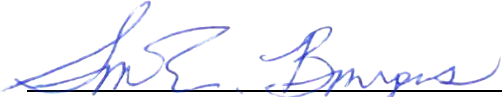
Non-Direct Cost Allocation for 2nd Quarter FY 2025

Oct 1, 2024 – Dec 31, 2024

The EFSEC Cost Allocation Plan (Plan) was approved by the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council in September 2004. The Plan directed review of the past quarter's percentage of EFSEC technical staff's average FTE's, charged to EFSEC projects. This along with anticipated work for the quarter is used as the basis for determining the non-direct cost percentage charge, for each EFSEC project.

Using the procedures for developing cost allocation, and allowance for new projects, the following percentages shall be used to allocate EFSEC's non direct costs for the 2nd quarter of FY 2025.

Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project	4%
Wild Horse Wind Power Project	4%
Columbia Generating Station	20%
Columbia Solar	4%
WNP-1	2%
Grays Harbor 1&2	6%
Chehalis Generation Project	6%
Desert Claim Wind Power Project	4%
Goose Prairie Solar Project	4%
Horse Heaven Wind Farm Project	11%
Badger Mountain	0%
CCR High Top	4%
CCR Ostrea	4%
Wautoma Solar Project	7%
Hop Hill	5%
Carriger Solar	5%
Wallula Gap	5%
Goldeneye	5%



Sonia E. Bumpus, EFSEC Manager

Date: 10/16/24