



# AGENDA

**MONTHLY MEETING**  
Wednesday, May 20, 2026  
**1:30 PM**

**HYBRID MEETING**  
621 Woodland Square Loop SE, Lacey WA 98503  
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- 1. Call to Order .....Kurt Beckett, EFSEC Chair
- 2. Roll Call .....Andrea Grantham, EFSEC Staff
- 3. Proposed Agenda .....Kurt Beckett, EFSEC Chair
- 4. Minutes .....Kurt Beckett, EFSEC Chair
  - April 18, 2026, monthly meeting minutes
- 5. Projects
  - a. **Columbia Solar**
    - Project update.....Sara Randolph, EFSEC Staff
      - Amendment request update
  - b. **Goose Prairie Solar**
    - Project update.....Sara Randolph, EFSEC Staff
      - SCA amendment request
  - c. **Ostrea Solar**
    - Construction updates.....Jon Voltz, Cypress Creek Renewables
  - d. **Carriger Solar**
    - Project updates.....Joanne Snarski, EFSEC Staff
  - e. **Cascade Renewables Transmission**
    - Project updates.....Maria Belkina, EFSEC Staff
  - f. **Horse Heaven**
    - Project updates.....Amy Moon, EFSEC Staff
  - g. **Hop Hill Solar**
    - Project updates.....John Barnes, EFSEC Staff
  - h. **Wallula Gap Solar**
    - Project updates.....John Barnes, EFSEC Staff

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**6. Other**

**i. Goldeneye BESS**

- Project updates.....Joanne Snarski, EFSEC Staff
- Director update.....Dave Walker, EFSEC Interim Director

**7. Adjourn.....Kurt Beckett, EFSEC Chair**

**NOTE:** The following project updates are routine and available for review in the Council packet: Chehalis Generation Facility, Columbia Generating Station, WNP - 1/4, Grays Harbor Energy Center, Kittitas Valley Wind, and Wild Horse Wind. Projects with non-routine updates will be discussed in the public Council meeting.

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<p style="text-align: right;">Page 3</p> <p>1 COUNSEL FOR THE ENVIRONMENT:</p> <p>2 Sarah Reyneveld</p> <p>3 Yuriy Korol</p> <p>4</p> <p>5</p> <p>6</p> <p>7</p> <p>8</p> <p>9</p> <p>10</p> <p>11</p> <p>12</p> <p>13</p> <p>14</p> <p>15</p> <p>16</p> <p>17</p> <p>18</p> <p>19</p> <p>20</p> <p>21</p> <p>22</p> <p>23</p> <p>24</p> <p>25</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 5</p> <p>1 BE IT REMEMBERED that on Wednesday,</p> <p>2 April 15, 2026, at 621 Woodland Square Loop Southeast,</p> <p>3 Lacey, Washington at 1:30 p.m., the following monthly</p> <p>4 meeting of the Washington State Energy Facility Site</p> <p>5 Evaluation Council was held, to wit:</p> <p>6</p> <p>7 * * * * *</p> <p>8 CHAIR BECKETT: Good afternoon. This</p> <p>9 is Kurt Beckett, Chair of the Energy Facility Site</p> <p>10 Evaluation Council, calling to order our April 15, 2026,</p> <p>11 monthly meeting to order. Ms. Grantham, if you could</p> <p>12 call roll?</p> <p>13 MS. GRANTHAM: Certainly, Chair.</p> <p>14 Department of Commerce?</p> <p>15 MS. OSBORNE: Present. Apologies. My</p> <p>16 camera is not working, so I am going to be off today.</p> <p>17 MS. GRANTHAM: No worries. Department</p> <p>18 of Ecology?</p> <p>19 MR. NELSON: Blake Nelson, present.</p> <p>20 MS. GRANTHAM: Department of Fish and</p> <p>21 Wildlife?</p> <p>22 MR. PAMPLIN: Nate Pamplin, present.</p> <p>23 MS. GRANTHAM: Department of Natural</p> <p>24 Resources?</p> <p>25 MS. DEAN: Kate Dean, present.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 6</p> <p>1 MS. GRANTHAM: Utilities &amp;                  2 Transportation Commission?                  3 MR. RYBARIK: Brian Rybarik, present.                  4 MS. GRANTHAM: For government and                  5 optional state agencies, for the Hop Hill Project for                  6 Benton County, Paul Krupin?                  7 For the Wallula Gap Project for Benton County, Adam                  8 Fyall?                  9 MR. FYALL: Hello. Adam Fyall is                  10 here.                  11 MS. GRANTHAM: For Goldeneye BESS,                  12 Skagit County, Robby Eckroth?                  13 MR. ECKROTH: Robby Eckroth, present.                  14 MS. GRANTHAM: For Cascade Renewable                  15 Transmission Project for Skamania County, Asa Leckie?                  16 MR. LECKIE: Asa Leckie here.                  17 MS. GRANTHAM: City of Stevenson, Jeff                  18 Breckel?                  19 MR. BRECKEL: Jeff Breckel is present.                  20 MS. GRANTHAM: City of North                  21 Bonneville, Harold Cook? Is Council Member Cook present?                  22 I recall seeing him online. I will move on.                  23 For Klickitat County, Jan Sokol?                  24 Moving onto Assistant Attorney General Jon Thompson.                  25 MR. THOMPSON: Present.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 8</p> <p>1 Reyneveld.                  2 MS. GRANTHAM: Thank you. Chair,                  3 there's a quorum for all council.                  4 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you very much.                  5 Council members, we have an agenda before us. I would                  6 entertain a motion to adopt the proposed agenda.                  7 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Mr. Chair, I move                  8 to approve the agenda for today.                  9 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you. Is there a                  10 second?                  11 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: I will second.                  12 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you. Council                  13 members, I don't know of any changes to the agenda. Are                  14 there any from you? Hearing none, all in favor of                  15 approving the agenda as proposed, please say aye.                  16 MULTIPLE SPEAKERS: Aye.                  17 CHAIR BECKETT: Opposed? Okay.                  18 Motion carries. The agenda is adopted.                  19 And moving onto our minutes from our March 18th                  20 monthly update, and while I would entertain a motion in                  21 just a moment, I need to get to my screen. On Page 31, I                  22 had one minor item I was just going to flag for our                  23 clerk, which is on Page 31, Line 19, I am sorry, Line 12,                  24 being inclusive -- where did it -- sorry, folks. My                  25 paper copy didn't come with me. There was an item where</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 7</p> <p>1 MS. GRANTHAM: Zack Packer?                  2 MR. PACKER: Present.                  3 MS. GRANTHAM: And Talia Thuet?                  4 For Council staff, Ami Hafkemeyer?                  5 MS. HAFKEMEYER: Present.                  6 MS. GRANTHAM: Sara Randolph?                  7 MS. RANDOLPH: Present.                  8 MS. GRANTHAM: Sean Greene?                  9 MR. GREENE: Present.                  10 MS. GRANTHAM: Joanne Snarski?                  11 MS. SNARSKI: Present.                  12 MS. GRANTHAM: Lisa McLean?                  13 MS. MCLEAN: Present.                  14 MS. GRANTHAM: Trevin Taylor?                  15 MR. TAYLOR: Present.                  16 MS. GRANTHAM: Nabila Gomes?                  17 MS. GOMES: Present.                  18 MS. GRANTHAM: And Keith Quinata?                  19 MR. QUINATA: Present.                  20 MS. GRANTHAM: Operational updates for                  21 Ostrea Solar, Jon Voltz?                  22 MR. VOLTZ: Present.                  23 MS. GRANTHAM: And is there anyone                  24 present for the Council for the Environment?                  25 MR. KOROL: Yuriy Korol and Sara</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 9</p> <p>1 we were trying to be inclusive, and it was a different                  2 word. Well, at the end of the day, it's a minor thing.                  3 I guess let's just move on.                  4 With that, if there's a motion to adopt the minutes,                  5 I would entertain that motion.                  6 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Mr. Chair, I move                  7 to approve the monthly minutes from March 18, 2026.                  8 CHAIR BECKETT: Is there a second?                  9 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Second.                  10 CHAIR BECKETT: Appreciate that. All                  11 in favor of adopting the minutes as submitted, please say                  12 aye.                  13 MULTIPLE VOICES: Aye.                  14 CHAIR BECKETT: Opposed? Abstentions?                  15 Okay. Minutes are adopted from March 18th.                  16 And moving onto our project updates, we will begin                  17 with Ostrea Solar. Mr. Volts?                  18 MR. VOLTZ: Good afternoon, Chair                  19 Beckett, Council members, and Staff. This is John Voltz                  20 with Cypress Creek Renewable representing the Ostrea                  21 Solar Project. In the month of March, we continued                  22 setting up the O&amp;M facility. The storage warehouse is                  23 erected, the office trailers are on site. We are                  24 currently working on getting all the utilities supplied                  25 there. We did receive verbal communication, I guess,</p>

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1 e-mail communication, from the Bonneville Power  
 2 Administration that the utility testing had passed;  
 3 however, we were still pending to receive the commercial  
 4 operation letter from the agency. We have since received  
 5 that, but have not begun generations. We are waiting on  
 6 scheduling, but we will have much more to update next  
 7 month.  
 8 The remaining commissioning works for the aerial  
 9 scanning, infrared, and capacity availability testing are  
 10 on hold until we are able to fully generate, and so we  
 11 are kind of stalled until we get that final go-ahead.  
 12 We do have some outstanding BMPs that need to be  
 13 updated. We currently have personnel onsite to mitigate  
 14 all of those so that we can begin the process to request  
 15 the NOT and close out the SWPPP. But coming down to the  
 16 end of the road, looking very promising.  
 17 Those are all the updates I have O3 Solar in the  
 18 month of March.  
 19 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you, Mr. Voltz.  
 20 Congratulations on approaching a big milestone.  
 21 With that, we will move on to Columbia Solar. I  
 22 believe --  
 23 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Mr. Chair?  
 24 CHAIR BECKETT: Yes, ma'am?  
 25 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: I wanted to flag

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1 that staff Sara Randolph has an additional update for  
 2 Ostrea.  
 3 CHAIR BECKETT: Okay. With that, then  
 4 we will stay with Ostrea Solar. And Sara Randolph, if  
 5 you please?  
 6 MS. RANDOLPH: Good afternoon, and  
 7 thank you, Chair Beckett, Council members, and Staff.  
 8 For the record, this is Sara Randolph, Site  
 9 Specialist for Ostrea.  
 10 The facility update is provided in your packet.  
 11 On March 20, 2026 staff received required documents  
 12 prior to Operations for review per the Site Certification  
 13 Agreement or the SCA.  
 14 Documents received were: Stormwater Pollution  
 15 Protection Plan (SWPPP), Spill Prevention, Control, and  
 16 Countermeasure Plan, the Emergency Plan, Site Security  
 17 Plan, Health and Safety Plan, Vegetation and Weed  
 18 Management Plan, and Fire Control Plan.  
 19 There were no non-routine updates to report.  
 20 CHAIR BECKETT: Okay. Thank you.  
 21 MR. RYBARIK: Sara, real quick. This  
 22 is Brian Rybarik from the UTC. All of those reports were  
 23 expected, and this is normal course of business, and  
 24 we're just reporting that we received them, or was there  
 25 a reason to separately report those?

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1 MS. RANDOLPH: These are required  
 2 documents per the SCA, and they will have a 90-day review  
 3 period once they have been received.  
 4 MR. RYBARIK: So we considering  
 5 March 20th the received date?  
 6 MS. RANDOLPH: Yes.  
 7 MR. RYBARIK: Got it.  
 8 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: If I could add,  
 9 Council Rybarik? Per policy 1601, staff are to notify  
 10 the council when plans have been received. So that if  
 11 the council wants to take up any approvals directly, you  
 12 have the opportunity to do so under the delegation of  
 13 authority.  
 14 MR. RYBARIK: Got it. Appreciate it.  
 15 CHAIR BECKETT: The context helps. I  
 16 appreciate that. Thank you, Council Rybarik.  
 17 I believe that concludes, then, Ostrea?  
 18 We would move on to Columbia Solar. Please proceed,  
 19 Ms. Randolph.  
 20 MS. RANDOLPH: For the record, this is  
 21 Sara Randolph, Site Specialist for Columbia Solar. The  
 22 facility update is provided in your packet.  
 23 Staff was informed on February 24, 2026, after the  
 24 fact, that Greenbacker sold to Altus Power on December  
 25 17, 2025. Under Washington Administrative Code or WAC

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1 463-66-100, which is Transfer of a Site Certification  
 2 Agreement or SCA: In the event a site certification  
 3 agreement is to be acquired via a merger, leveraged  
 4 buy-out, or other change in corporate or partnership  
 5 ownership, the successor in interest must file a formal  
 6 petition under the terms of this section to continue  
 7 operation or other activities at the certificated site.  
 8 Staff are working to schedule an informational  
 9 meeting on the amendment request.  
 10 We will be contacting Council members for  
 11 availability to hold an informational hearing.  
 12 Details of the hearing will be notified to the public  
 13 once available.  
 14 Following the informational meeting and review of  
 15 comments received, staff will prepare documents to support  
 16 the Council's action on the request, which will be posted  
 17 for public comment prior to Council vote on the request.  
 18 there are no non-routine updates to report.  
 19 CHAIR BECKETT: Any questions or  
 20 comments from council on the evolution of this project?  
 21 I guess I would add a brief comment, Ms. Randolph, which  
 22 I think is standard procedure, but having not  
 23 participated in a change of ownership before on a  
 24 project, certainly, in this maybe at times more  
 25 perception than reality, but as ownership transfers are

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1 the commitments carried over the new owner, and I believe  
 2 that is endemic to the core of EFSEC's process. But I  
 3 know out in the real world at times, transfers, you know,  
 4 sometimes commitments are lost in those transfers. So I  
 5 would just try to emphasize that in some of our  
 6 communication and review.  
 7 So with that added comment, unless that sparks  
 8 others, we will move on to the Carriger Solar Project.  
 9 MS. SNARSKI: Thank you, Chair Beckett  
 10 and Council members. For the record, this is Joanne  
 11 Snarski, the Siting Specialist for the Carriger Solar  
 12 facility in Klickitat County.  
 13 The process of current judicial review of this  
 14 project with the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the  
 15 Yakima Nation is continuing and being handled by our AAG,  
 16 Assistant Attorney General. However, EFSEC staff are  
 17 continuing to discuss Carriger's timing for submitting  
 18 the construction plans required by the Site Certification  
 19 Agreement. We anticipate a few draft plans in the coming  
 20 weeks and are ready to review them upon receipt.  
 21 That's all I have. May I answer any questions?  
 22 CHAIR BECKETT: Council members?  
 23 Seeing none, thank you, Ms. Snarski.  
 24 We will move on to Cascade Renewable Transmission  
 25 Project. And Trevin Taylor will be providing our update

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1 today.  
 2 Let me just note, as always, thank you to our local  
 3 representatives, Council Leckie and Breckel. I believe  
 4 we have a couple of new members who will be joining us  
 5 soon. But just with acknowledging that, let me turn it  
 6 back to Trevin for the full update.  
 7 MR. TAYLOR: Thank you, Chair Beckett,  
 8 and Council members. This is Trevin Taylor, SEPA  
 9 Specialist assigned to the Cascade Renewable Transmission  
 10 Project. I am also presenting on behalf of Project  
 11 Siting Specialist, Maria Belkina.  
 12 Following issuance of the initial data request,  
 13 EFSEC is continuing coordination with the applicant  
 14 regarding responses and clarification of the process for  
 15 submitting additional information.  
 16 Preparation for the SEPA process is ongoing. On  
 17 April 7, staff notified the applicant of an anticipated  
 18 determination of significance pursuant to RCW  
 19 80.50.090(3)(a). This morning, April 15, staff received  
 20 a response from the applicant to proceed with our review.  
 21 EFSEC has finalized the scoping memorandum. It is  
 22 anticipated to open the SEPA register as of May 1, 2026,  
 23 for 30 days. Details of the Scoping period and  
 24 associated comment hearing periods will be notified to  
 25 the public and made available on EFSEC's project website.

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1 EFSEC continues coordination with state and federal  
 2 agencies. The Department of Ecology has indicated that  
 3 comments are forthcoming, and ongoing coordination is  
 4 occurring with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and  
 5 Oregon State agencies to support alignment of SEPA and  
 6 NEPA processes.  
 7 Tribal outreach is also ongoing. Consultation  
 8 request letters have been distributed, and EFSEC is  
 9 tracking responses and scheduling  
 10 government-to-government consultations.  
 11 We have continued to receive appointment letters for  
 12 Council members representing the local jurisdictions.  
 13 Representatives have been appointed for Skamania and  
 14 Klickitat Counties, and the cities of Stevenson, Camas,  
 15 and North Bonneville. Responses are still pending for  
 16 Clark County and the City of Bingen. The Port of  
 17 Skamania has declined to appoint a nonvoting council  
 18 member.  
 19 Lastly, staff are coordinating with the Columbia  
 20 Gorge Commission and the Skamania County Planning  
 21 Department for the review and implementation of codes and  
 22 requirements for the National Scenic Area.  
 23 I would be happy to answer any questions.  
 24 CHAIR BECKETT: Good update. Council  
 25 members, comments or questions?

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1 MR. SOKOL: Mr. Chairman, I apologize.  
 2 I guess my mic was muted. This is Jan Sokol,  
 3 representing Klickitat County on the CRT project.  
 4 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you, Council  
 5 Sokol. Appreciate you being here today, as well as being  
 6 sure to -- we will have you marked down as attending.  
 7 Thank you for that.  
 8 MR. SOKOL: Yeah.  
 9 CHAIR BECKETT: Seeing no other hands  
 10 raised, we will move on to the Horse Heaven Project.  
 11 Sean Green will provide an update.  
 12 MR. GREEN: Thank you. Good  
 13 afternoon, Chair Beckett and Council members.  
 14 MR. RYBARIK: Chair Beckett, real  
 15 quick, Asa Leckie did raise their hand at the end there  
 16 if we want to do the CRT.  
 17 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you.  
 18 MR. LECKIE: Thank you. I am sorry.  
 19 It was a little bit of a delayed reaction. Yeah. One of  
 20 the questions I am getting from locals is if this  
 21 renewable project gets through, is this going to be the  
 22 only line, or does this permitting process open the  
 23 gateway for multiple lines to go down the Columbia River?  
 24 Thank you.  
 25 CHAIR BECKETT: Let me look to staff

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1 to make sure the answer is accurate.  
 2 MS. HAFKEMEYER: This is Ami  
 3 Hafkemeyer. This application and review is only for this  
 4 project. Any other interested parties looking to develop  
 5 other projects, or other lines, or other infrastructure,  
 6 would have to apply and be reviewed accordingly. The  
 7 review in front of us is only for this proposal.  
 8 MR. LECKIE: Got it. Thank you. The  
 9 concern is that if this is approved, does this make it  
 10 easier for subsequent projects of a similar nature to  
 11 pass review? Thank you.  
 12 MS. HAFKEMEYER: I mean, only -- I  
 13 don't think I can speak to future projects without having  
 14 an application in front of us. To my knowledge, there's  
 15 nothing else proposed in the area. I have not heard of  
 16 anything in pre-application or pre-development. So, to  
 17 my knowledge, this is the only project under  
 18 consideration.  
 19 MR. LECKIE: Okay. Thank you.  
 20 CHAIR BECKETT: Appreciate the  
 21 question, Council Leckie.  
 22 All right. Then we will move on to Horse Heaven.  
 23 MR. GREENE: Thank you. Again, this  
 24 is Sean Greene, SEPA Specialist for EFSEC, reporting on  
 25 behalf Amy Moon.

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1 In March, staff reported that the Horse Heaven  
 2 Certificate Holder had submitted a Land & Shoreline Use  
 3 Dryland Farming Management Plan and a Livestock  
 4 Management Plan, as well as a request to remove three  
 5 trees in compliance with the Vegetation-1 Tree Avoidance  
 6 mitigation measure.  
 7 The two management plans and the tree removal  
 8 request were approved by the EFSEC Interim Executive  
 9 Director, Dave Walker, in early April. As a note, the  
 10 tree removal approval included a condition requiring  
 11 in-kind tree replacement with native tree species.  
 12 Approval of the Habitat-1 Wildlife Movement Corridor  
 13 Mitigation Plan, the Species-13 Pronghorn Study Plan, and  
 14 the accompanying Pronghorn Capture & Handling Procedures  
 15 were also recently approved by Interim Executive Director  
 16 Walker.  
 17 Staff will continue to work with the Certificate  
 18 Holder to review mitigation plans as required under the  
 19 Site Certification Agreement and will keep the Council  
 20 informed as this work progresses.  
 21 Does the Council have any questions?  
 22 CHAIR BECKETT: Council members?  
 23 Seeing none, thank you, Sean.  
 24 We will move on to Hop Hill, and Trevin Taylor will  
 25 be providing the report.

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1 MR. TAYLOR: Thank you, Chair Beckett  
 2 and council members. This is Trevin Taylor, SEPA  
 3 Specialist, on behalf of John Barnes, EFSEC staff, for  
 4 the Hop Hill application.  
 5 Staff are continuing to work with the applicant in  
 6 the submission of additional application materials for  
 7 the Hop Hill project.  
 8 Staff have scheduled an April site visit to conduct  
 9 verification of the wetlands and waters delineation  
 10 reports for this project. This visit will take place on  
 11 April 28th to verify wetlands and waters located in the  
 12 transmission area. On April 29th, verification of  
 13 wetlands and water will be conducted for the new proposed  
 14 expanded project areas.  
 15 EFSEC is expected to receive this amendment in the  
 16 coming months. To best manage agency resources, we will  
 17 be surveying both the transmission area and proposed  
 18 expanded project areas, while both the Department of  
 19 Ecology and EFSEC staff are available and present.  
 20 Wetland and water verification is required to support  
 21 a SEPA determination for this project.  
 22 Are there any Questions?  
 23 CHAIR BECKETT: Council members?  
 24 Seeing none, we will move on to Wallula Gap, and  
 25 Mr. Taylor will provide that update also.

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1 MR. TAYLOR: This is Trevin Taylor,  
 2 SEPA Specialist, on behalf of John Barnes, EFSEC staff  
 3 for the Wallula Gap application.  
 4 Staff are continuing to work with Energy One, the  
 5 applicant, and the Yakima Nation Cultural Resource  
 6 program staff regarding impacts identified in the  
 7 Traditional Cultural Properties, TCPs, the report  
 8 conducted by the Yakima Nation for this application.  
 9 Staff are working with the applicant and the  
 10 Department of Ecology to determine if project  
 11 modifications are needed based on information contained  
 12 in the Department of Ecology's final wetlands and waters  
 13 report.  
 14 Identification of potential project impacts and  
 15 possible mitigations is part of the EFSEC SEPA  
 16 determination process.  
 17 In closing, we are basically working on mitigation  
 18 for those two ongoing issues.  
 19 Are there any questions?  
 20 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you for the  
 21 update. Council members? Okay. Seeing none, we will  
 22 move on to the Goldeneye BESS Project, and Joanne Snarski  
 23 will provide an update.  
 24 MS. SNARSKI: Once again, Chair  
 25 Beckett. Again, this is Joanne Snarski, the Siting

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1 Specialist for the proposed Goldeneye Battery Energy  
2 Storage facility in Skagit County.  
3 Staff are continuing to assess the potential impacts  
4 from the proposed project as required by the State  
5 Environmental Policy Act. Additionally, we have been  
6 coordinating with representatives from both Department of  
7 Archeological and Historic Preservation and the  
8 Governor s Office of Indian Affairs to receive formal  
9 feedback from the Upper Skagit Tribe on the Cultural  
10 Resources Survey for the proposed BESS project.  
11 That's all I have. Are there any questions?  
12 CHAIR BECKETT: Any questions council  
13 members? Okay. Thank you very much.  
14 We will move on to our various updates. And I  
15 believe Nabila Gomes will be representing Mr. Walker, who  
16 is out today. With that, Nabila, let me turn this to  
17 you.  
18 MS. GOMES: Thank you, Chair Beckett,  
19 Council, Staff. I am speaking on behalf of Dave Walker,  
20 he's not here, the Interim Director. Ami Hafkemeyer is  
21 going to give the cost allocation. I think that's going  
22 first, and then I will give an update on the new employee  
23 and budget.  
24 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you.  
25 MS. HAFKEMEYER: Thank you. Provided

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1 in your packet is the non-direct cost allocation case for  
2 fourth quarter fiscal year 2026. This covers the period  
3 from April 1st through June 30, 2026. I will not read  
4 each item, unless there's interest. But these are very  
5 similar. Not exactly the same from the last quarter. We  
6 have made some adjustments for projected activity.  
7 CHAIR BECKETT: Let me get my mic on.  
8 Appreciate that. Yeah, I think we have all had a chance  
9 to review the document. I think having acknowledged that  
10 briefly here in the public session. Let me also note, we  
11 had the cost allocation up first just to keep the screen  
12 share a little simpler for everyone's ease of use and any  
13 subsequent discussion. I meant to explain that at the  
14 top.  
15 With that, I will turn this back to Ms. Gomes.  
16 MS. GOMES: Thank you.  
17 MR. RYBARIK: Real quick, Chair  
18 Beckett, before we go away from that. What was  
19 referenced there was not many changes from the third  
20 quarter. I just wanted for other council members, is it  
21 useful, is it helpful to show like the prior quarter and  
22 then this quarter's cost allocations, just so we can see  
23 if there is a significant change? That that's a little  
24 easier for us to visualize. I am wonder for other  
25 council members. Because in my mind, that is kind of the

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1 more interesting piece of this, is if there's a change,  
2 rather than what the allocation is.  
3 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you for the  
4 suggestion. And it sparks a couple of other probably  
5 larger questions about this part of our process, in my  
6 own mind, so just speaking for myself. And in this case,  
7 I probably suggest that I do a little follow-up with  
8 staff on your suggestion, as well as a couple of my  
9 larger thoughts in the background, if that's okay?  
10 MR. RYBARIK: No, that sounds good.  
11 Appreciate it.  
12 CHAIR BECKETT: Appreciate it. All  
13 right. We will go back to Nabila Gomes.  
14 MS. GOMES: So, EFSEC staff, we are  
15 pleased to introduce Keith Quinata to EFSEC. He joins  
16 EFSEC as our Deputy for Siting and Compliance. We are  
17 beyond thrilled to have him join the team, obviously, for  
18 a lot of reasons. But Keith has an extensive background  
19 in environmental law and policy, and is intended to put  
20 the expertise to work here at EFSEC. As he gets caught  
21 up on EFSEC's current projects, he brings  
22 forward-thinking approach to EFSEC with a focus on  
23 continuous improvement across our siting and compliance  
24 framework. So we are excited to have him. We are  
25 looking forward. He started the 1st of April in Ami

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1 Hafkemeyer's team. So I will hand it over, Keith, if  
2 there's something you would like to say.  
3 MR. QUINATA: Sure. Good afternoon,  
4 everyone. Thank you Chair Beckett, Council members. For  
5 the record, my name is Keith Quinata. And like Nabila  
6 said, really excited to be joining EFSEC. Since I have  
7 joined, I have just seen the incredible work EFSEC has  
8 been doing, and I am really impressed with our work  
9 processes, and just wanted to contribute further to  
10 executing our mission as an agency. So, yeah, thank you  
11 for the opportunity.  
12 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you for  
13 application and welcome aboard. I know everyone is  
14 excited to have you here. And, certainly, we know  
15 Ms. Hafkemeyer's group can use your added assistance in  
16 terms of just dealing with some of the capacity demands  
17 on the agency. Welcome.  
18 MS. GOMES: Okay. And moving on to  
19 the budget update. At a prior council meeting, EFSEC  
20 updated the council on potential budgetary reductions.  
21 Since the signing of the Governor's supplemental budget,  
22 the anticipated reduction of about 15 percent, the  
23 \$240,000, have been returned. So we are actually not  
24 going to be getting a reduction in our general fund  
25 spending, so that's very good for us. The final

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1 budget -- the final supplemental budget shows that there  
2 will be no reduction to the general fund as originally  
3 forecasted. And the approved budget also provides EFSEC  
4 with the opportunity to add in additional staff, like  
5 additional technical staff, which we intend to do. So  
6 more to follow on staffing up the compliance unit and  
7 other areas that's needed.

8 Something that is not worth -- noteworthy, that is,  
9 is that the CCA funds -- or there may be an expected  
10 reduction of CCA funds just across the board. As the  
11 general funds were reinstated, they are going to, later  
12 on in the budget period, there's going to be some impact  
13 to the climate fund. So we will know more probably later  
14 in the fall as to what the impact to EFSEC will be.

15 That's really important for us, because as, you know,  
16 it's intended to accelerate the siting process,  
17 especially the siting and permitting process. So we have  
18 our meetings that we need to have at the Governor's  
19 office and OFM and whatnot, and more to follow.

20 The good news is that it's not directing our  
21 operations at this moment, which was our original fear  
22 with a reduction of 15 percent. This is good.

23 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you. Let me  
24 just adjust a brief comment, if I may, and then I will  
25 turn this for question and discussion from the council.

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1 So, one, thank you for the update and, obviously, I think  
2 everyone should know, we will do the best we can with the  
3 resources we have been given. And if that's more than  
4 what might have been, we will continue to try and, again,  
5 make the biggest impact for each dollar.

6 From a conversation earlier with Ms. Gomes, it was  
7 on full display, unfortunately, but we are all having to  
8 deal with these challenging fiscal realities, and  
9 probably for some time, the CCA dollar reductions, they  
10 are going to hit other partner agencies much harder than  
11 whatever ultimately, you know, comes to be bottom-line  
12 clawback for EFSEC. Ecology would probably be at the top  
13 of that list. It's just reflective of as much as we try  
14 to be as clear and clearer on our processes and different  
15 inputs that go to it, ultimately, EFSEC runs on a lot of  
16 other partner agencies. And as their work is affected in  
17 these other ways, it can come creeping back into some of  
18 EFSEC's path and process. I just want to acknowledge  
19 that to those other partner agencies that may have it  
20 harder than EFSEC, so we will all work together just to  
21 make the best, I guess, kind of the hard time that we are  
22 facing fiscally in the State at this point.

23 With that comment, let me turn it back to council  
24 for other questions or comments. Council Pamplin.

25 MR. PAMPLIN: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

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1 Ms. Gomes, as we are always addressing our current  
2 budget, we are looking at how to implement the  
3 supplemental, and then our eyes in government are always  
4 looking ahead at next biennium. And, at least for  
5 Department of Fish and Wildlife, and I think other state  
6 agencies, we have to submit our request into the  
7 Governor's office in, I think, by like September. And so  
8 I was just curious as to what the process was for EFSEC  
9 as you are developing either agency request legislation,  
10 or your 2729 operating project? What does that process  
11 look like, and what is the role of the council in either  
12 reviewing or just being apprised of those developments?  
13 Thank you.

14 MS. GOMES: We had our -- like most  
15 state agencies, we had to provide OFM -- we partner  
16 through DES as a small agency. But we created our  
17 anticipated budget, especially with our staffing needs,  
18 and identified any key projects, or anywhere -- any area  
19 of the budget that we need to increase or just staff up  
20 based off our own EFSEC strategic plan, and we provided  
21 that to OFM.

22 My assumption is we will hear back from OFM probably  
23 within the next month or so, which is the reason why I  
24 said maybe in like about August, September time we will  
25 have a better update to provide something more tangible

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1 to the council. But we did provide our preliminary  
2 budget, which did include additional staffing, like a  
3 staff member for IT and some of our major asks that we  
4 think we should have, especially so we can get the  
5 workflow going. I am assuming, probably, as the  
6 conversations continue to be had, we would know more,  
7 probably, around June or July as to what would need to be  
8 brought forward.

9 Most of our budget is internal operating, so it  
10 depends on what the council would like to see. If you  
11 would like to see the final budget when it's at  
12 80 percent, or whatever percentage is, we can definitely  
13 give a budget update when we know more for sure. But  
14 once the budget is allocated itself, and it says this is  
15 where our CCA funds land, our general funds, etc., that  
16 will be an updated that will be provided as well.

17 CHAIR BECKETT: Appreciate the  
18 question. Other questions or comments from council  
19 members? Councilman Rybarik?

20 MR. RYBARIK: Really just a comment,  
21 not a question. And just echoing, Chair Beckett, your  
22 sentiments there of, you know, in general, I think good  
23 news today in that the general fund issues that were  
24 brought to us at the last council meeting have been at  
25 least addressed, in the near term, of course, with that

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1 eye towards the CCA funds. But I suppose the news could  
2 have been bad on both fronts. That it would have been a  
3 reduction in general funds and a reduction CCA funds. So  
4 good news in the short term. But as Council Pamplin and  
5 everybody has noted, it's tough fiscal times. So a  
6 little bit of a good news is always helpful, but also  
7 looking to the future. So appreciate the work here and  
8 appreciate the good news for today.

9 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you. Other  
10 comments?  
11 Seeing none, I believe that concludes the director's  
12 updates.  
13 Anything else, Ms. Gomes, just to double-check?  
14 MS. GOMES: That's it.  
15 CHAIR BECKETT: Okay. Then we will  
16 move on our last item with Lisa McLean and a tribal  
17 update.  
18 MS. MCLEAN: Good afternoon, Chair  
19 Beckett, and Council members. Lisa McLean, for the  
20 record, Legislative and Policy Manager and Tribal  
21 Liaison, to give an update on our progress in  
22 strengthening tribal relations. Wanted to update you on  
23 the tribal consultation policy that we have been working  
24 on. We had -- since we last talked, we put out the -- we  
25 developed a new policy. We put it out for comment. We

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1 had a meeting, a virtual meeting, with tribes on  
2 March 23rd. And we also got a written comment from the  
3 Cowlitz. And that -- the comments that we got were  
4 really useful. Basically, one of the questions was, you  
5 know, please can you explain a little bit better how --  
6 what the role of the Department of Archeology and  
7 Historic Preservation is. Wanted to get some more  
8 information about what financial support is EFSEC able to  
9 provide, and in what way is that able to be requested  
10 from us. And then just some general comments from  
11 different angles about how to refine the language to make  
12 sure that it's precise and that it's understood; plain  
13 language suggestions that we got. So all of that's been  
14 wrapped up and gone through different review processes  
15 this year internally with EFSEC.

16 And just starting tomorrow, probably, we will resend  
17 it out to the tribes for a last commenting. They  
18 actually had until the 28th of April. But in the course  
19 of the meeting on March 23rd, I promised to rejigger the  
20 document, send it out to them, and give tribes another  
21 30 days to comment. So if we can get the document out  
22 this week, then, basically, we will have it, probably, by  
23 -- May 17th will be the deadline for them to return final  
24 comments to us, and we should have a final document by  
25 the end of May. I think that's what --

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1 The other thing that's in the document is some  
2 changes based on the fact that actually HB 2496 regarding  
3 our tribal consultation actually passed. Because when we  
4 first wrote it, it was just an idea. We didn't know if  
5 that was going to pass. That's that.

6 Moving on, as we bring up that bill, HB 3496, that  
7 was signed by the Governor on March 30th. Interim  
8 Executive Director Dave Walker and I were able to attend  
9 the bill signing instead of the chair, who was out of  
10 state at the time. And that was a nice event.

11 That week, we sent out letters to all tribes  
12 describing -- chair sent out letters describing what  
13 change was made, acknowledging the productive  
14 relationship that we had -- the collaboration we had with  
15 Yakima on developing that. And also, we sent thank you  
16 letters to the House and Senate sponsors, Representative  
17 Chris Sterns and Senator Shewmake. And we got back some  
18 nice replies from several different areas, so that was  
19 nice.

20 And then, lastly, in the coming two weeks, we have  
21 -- Chair Beckett and staff are going to be traveling to  
22 Colville and Cowlitz for government-to-government  
23 consultations on pre-application, and on the project that  
24 was currently under review. And we've also, I think it  
25 was mentioned by Trevin, we've also reached out to a

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1 number of different tribes to request consultations on  
2 the Carriage Project -- I am sorry. The Cascade  
3 Renewable Transmission Project.

4 I continue, as tribal liaison, to participate in a  
5 number of different meetings with regard to the -- from  
6 the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs working to  
7 implement some of the directives from Executive Order  
8 2510, and getting prepared for the centennial quarter,  
9 which has been scheduled for the second week of October.

10 So, as our colleague, Ms. Gomes, is working on the  
11 budget, we are already preparing for the centennial  
12 report.

13 That's the basic update. I think the only thing I  
14 forgot to say in the update is a question has come up  
15 about our legislation. It will actually take effect on  
16 June 11, 2026. That's when it will be effective in law.  
17 Any questions?

18 CHAIR BECKETT: Thank you for the  
19 update. Council, questions or comments? Councilman  
20 Rybarik?

21 MR. RYBARIK: Lisa, thanks for the  
22 update. Thanks for the memo and materials. One, just  
23 recognition of appreciate the fast work to incorporate  
24 feedback, as well as the provisions of HB 2496 in this  
25 policy. Thanks for the fast work there.

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1 One is just a comment as this goes out for  
2 additional comments. As I was looking at the current  
3 draft, the header in the document has like a weird  
4 reference listing. You might want to just check that to  
5 make sure, as we send this out, that that gets removed.  
6 And then more substantive than that, in looking at  
7 the Cowlitz's comments, they sent a very helpful matrix.  
8 But one of the questions in there, and I am going to get  
9 it up in front of me just to make sure, is they talk  
10 about the federally recognized tribes and then the  
11 language that the policy uses to sort of describe how it  
12 applies, and they -- they say their understanding is this  
13 means both the treaty and treaty-free tribes in  
14 Washington State will have the opportunity to engage in  
15 meaningful government-to-government consultation with  
16 EFSEC. I just want to verify from your perspective that  
17 the Cowlitz request there for clarification that we  
18 address that, and just make sure that we are all clear on  
19 how the policy is to apply in both treaty and what they  
20 refer to as treaty-free tribes in Washington State.  
21 MS. MCLEAN: Yeah. Thank you for the  
22 question. Yeah, thanks for the callout on the header. I  
23 will get that fixed before we send it out.  
24 On that question, yeah, that was a really helpful  
25 comment, because we have been using a shorthand of tribes

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1 with -- "located in or with rights in Washington State,"  
2 that's a shorthand. So what we have used in the  
3 definition section, and in a sort of definitional -- kind  
4 of third paragraph, where it says, "This policy applies  
5 to EFSEC's interaction with federal tribes (tribes)" and  
6 then it goes on. We are taking that language directly  
7 from our statute, because that's where it says, "Federal  
8 recognized tribes that possess resources, rights, or  
9 interests preserved and protected by." That's there.  
10 Plus, it's in the definition of a federally recognized  
11 tribe. And then we took -- we are taking out the  
12 continual reference to federally recognized tribes.  
13 Referring to it instead tribes, because that's what we  
14 have defined as the definition in the definition section.  
15 So try to kind of a combination of making the language  
16 more precise, and simplifying it a little bit by not  
17 referring to it in different ways in different parts of  
18 the policy, but referring to it in a consistent way.  
19 CHAIR BECKETT: Appreciate the  
20 question for sure. And, I guess, just to put one other  
21 word out there that may not be in the policy, but there  
22 are executive order -- tribes by executive order rather  
23 than treaty. And I think this is kind of one of those  
24 topics that is less between the tribes of Washington and  
25 the State of Washington, but rather, sometimes, how the

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1 operations within -- for intertribal issues between those  
2 tribes and the federal government. But it's certainly an  
3 issue. Ultimately, EFSEC operates on the basis of if  
4 there's federal recognition, then we are engaging with  
5 you. That ultimately means 32 tribes: 29 in Washington,  
6 3 in Oregon, they're signatories to the centennial  
7 accord. By example, though, there's another Oregon tribe  
8 that's asked to participate on the Cascade Renewable  
9 Transmission Project. So, you know, there are other  
10 means that tribes come to engage with EFSEC. And,  
11 ultimately, we try to engage with those proactively and  
12 with whom to engage with us. So, hope that context  
13 helps.  
14 Other comments, questions?  
15 I would just make one closing comment back on the  
16 Cowlitz tribe's letter. And I appreciated Chairman Fyall  
17 and his staff in support in the council with Cowlitz for  
18 a very thoughtful and thorough letter. And beyond the  
19 just kudos and appreciation, I really liked the format.  
20 I appreciate you calling out the table, Council Rybarik.  
21 But in particular, between the comment number, the page  
22 number, our excerpt, their comment, they also -- I just  
23 think it's a good example, and maybe there's others, if  
24 people want to, you know, loop back with staff, but they  
25 characterize their interest level on each comment, so

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1 critical, suggestion, editorial. And I just thought that  
2 was a very operational constructive and functional way to  
3 go. So, I would encourage that use, whether it's us with  
4 others, or those who are engaging with EFSEC, I thought  
5 it was, you know, a great addition to the record as well  
6 as something we could all learn from.  
7 With that, are there closing comments in general, or  
8 other closing tribal questions in case my comments  
9 sparked any? Council members? Council Nelson.  
10 MR. NELSON: Thank you, Chair Beckett.  
11 So, to the Cowlitz Tribe letter comment No. 7, I was  
12 wondering about -- so sounds like they will be notified  
13 when an application is submitted for pre-consultation.  
14 But to that question, it was kind of unclear to me, is  
15 there like a separate notification when SEPA is conducted  
16 to that -- their question about, "It may be assumed that  
17 it was already part of the site certification agreements,  
18 but please consider making a list of topics that may  
19 trigger government-to-government." I was wondering if  
20 they get notified at the beginning, or it there's like  
21 multiple kinds of points through the process, or if  
22 that's just like -- that would -- how do I say this?  
23 Like takes place as a standard public notification, or if  
24 there's like a step mechanism for that?  
25 MS. MCLEAN: So --

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1 MR. NELSON: I am just asking for  
 2 information. I don't have any kind of right answer.  
 3 MS. MCLEAN: Yeah, no. I appreciate  
 4 the question. Yes, we -- we are not going to address  
 5 that, because sort of -- SEPA is so infused in our  
 6 process that we believe that -- it is part of that  
 7 process. And I am going to point this out to Cowlitz.  
 8 Is that the review of the application for site  
 9 certification and the identified facility impacts, and  
 10 associated mitigation measures, all of that is what we  
 11 promise to notify on, and we are going to notify about  
 12 that. So if you have a determination of -- you know, we  
 13 make a threshold determination, we will notify, you know.  
 14 So all of that is part of the application process. And,  
 15 I guess, as I just feel like this document is getting  
 16 longer and longer and longer, I kind of -- it's the only  
 17 one that I am going to respectfully ask Cowlitz if they  
 18 can accept that we are, not just assuming, but it is a  
 19 major part of our application review process that should  
 20 be assumed to be inside, and it will include these  
 21 processes, I think, is -- I think I am being a little bit  
 22 confusing, but --  
 23 MR. NELSON: No, that clarified it.  
 24 Thank you so much.  
 25 CHAIR BECKETT: Okay. Last call for

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1 any comments or questions? All right. Seeing none or  
 2 hearing none, I will adjourn us at 2:14 p.m. Thank you  
 3 all for your time and participation.  
 4 (Meeting adjourned at 2:14 p.m.)  
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## EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update Format

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

Operator: ACT Power Services (*Formerly Tuusso Energy, LLC*)

Report Date: May 15, 2026

Reporting Period: 30 Days, Ending April 30, 2026

Site Contact: James Lara ([James.Lara@altuspower.com](mailto:James.Lara@altuspower.com))

Facility SCA Status: Operation

### Construction Status

- Penstemon
  - Currently operational
  - Total Generation during the month was 1,177 Megawatt hours
  
- Camas
  - Currently operational
  - Total Generation during the month was 1,219 Megawatt hours
  
- Urtica
  - Currently operational
  - Total Generation during the month was 1,266 Megawatt hours

## EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update Format

Facility Name: Goose Prairie Solar

Operator: Brookfield Power US Asset Management

Report Date: 2/4/2026

Reporting Period: 4/1/2026 to 4/30/2026

Asset Manager: Nelson Jia

Facility SCA Status: [Operational](#)

### **Operations & Maintenance**

- Total generation for the month of April-2026 was approximately 18,157 MWh

### **Goose BESS Construction**

- None
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**The following information must be reported to the Council if applicable to the facility:**

### **Environmental Compliance**

Permit status if any changes.

- None

Update on progress or completion of any mitigation measures identified.

- No Discharge on the site reported

Any EFSEC-related inspections that occurred.

- None

Any EFSEC-related complaints or violations that occurred.

- None

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

- None

### **Safety Compliance**

- There were no non-routine events to report during this period.

### **Current or Upcoming Projects**

- None

## **Other**

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

- None

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).

- None

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

- None

April 29, 2026

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Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council  
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**Re: Goose Prairie Solar Project – Request for Approval of Upstream Indirect Transfer of Control of Site Certification Agreement**

Dear Chair Beckett and Members of the Council:

Goose Prairie Solar LLC ("Certificate Holder") respectfully submits this request to the Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council ("EFSEC" or "Council") seeking approval, pursuant to WAC 463-66-100, of an upstream indirect transfer of control of the Site Certification Agreement ("SCA") for the Goose Prairie Solar Project located in Yakima County, Washington (the "Project").

The proposed transaction involves a change solely in the upstream ownership structure of the Certificate Holder. Goose Prairie Solar LLC will remain the SCA holder and owner of the Project at all times, and there will be no transfer of the SCA itself, no change to the identity of the Certificate Holder, and no modification to the Project's location, design, generating capacity, operating characteristics, or obligations under the SCA.

Under the proposed transaction, Mustang Yieldco Acquirer LLC will acquire the indirect upstream ownership interests of Goose Prairie Solar LLC. Upon closing, the Project will be owned through an investment platform jointly backed by British Columbia Investment Management Corporation, Norges Bank Investment Management, and Brookfield Infrastructure Income Fund, with Brookfield continuing to provide operational and asset management services pursuant to an existing master services arrangement. This structure ensures continuity of management, operational oversight, and compliance with the SCA.

As detailed in the enclosed Application for Approval of Indirect Transfer of Control, the proposed upstream ownership change will not affect the Certificate Holder's ability to comply with the SCA or with applicable regulatory requirements. The entities that will ultimately control the Certificate Holder possess the organizational, managerial, technical, and financial capability necessary to ensure continued compliance with the SCA, including satisfaction of all financial assurance requirements.

Accordingly, the Certificate Holder respectfully requests that the Council approve the proposed indirect transfer of control associated with the upstream ownership change. We look forward to responding to any questions the Council may have.

Sincerely,



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## **Application for Approval of Indirect Transfer of Control**

### **Site Certification Agreement**

#### **Goose Prairie Solar Project**

Yakima County, Washington

Submitted pursuant to WAC 463-66-100

### **Application to Transfer Control of the Site Certification Agreement for the Goose Prairie Solar Project**

Goose Prairie Solar LLC (“Certificate Holder”), together with Mustang Yieldco Acquirer LLC, respectfully submit this request to the Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (“EFSEC” or “Council”) seeking approval of an indirect transfer of control of the Site Certification Agreement (“SCA”) for the Goose Prairie Solar Project pursuant to WAC 463-66-100.

A proposed transaction will result in a change in the upstream ownership structure of the Certificate Holder but will not change the identity of the SCA holder itself. Goose Prairie Solar LLC will remain the certificate holder and owner of the Goose Prairie Solar Project following completion of the transaction.

Under the proposed transaction detailed below in Section 1, Mustang Yieldco Acquirer LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“Buyer”), will acquire 100% of the controlling indirect ownership interests in the certificate holder Goose Prairie Solar LLC. Subject to receipt of certain regulatory and contractual approvals, and following completion of the transaction expected to occur in May 2026, Buyer Mustang Yieldco Acquirer LLC in turn will function as an investment platform jointly owned by three institutional investors.<sup>1</sup>

- British Columbia Investment Management Corporation (BCI) – approximately 33.3 percent ownership
- Norges Bank Investment Management (NBIM) – approximately 33.3 percent ownership
- Brookfield Infrastructure Income Fund (BII) – approximately 33.3 percent ownership.

The Certificate Holder’s current parent, Brookfield, through its infrastructure investment platform, BII, will thus retain a 33.3 percent ownership interest and, through affiliate Mustang ServiceCo LLC, will continue to provide operational and asset management services for the project pursuant to a Master Services Agreement (MSA). In addition, as detailed below, affiliates of the project company will continue to provide management and operations services under the existing project-level management and O&M agreements so there will be no change in project-

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<sup>1</sup> These three investors will hold their interests through new entity, Mustang AIV LP, which will serve as the top-level holding entity in the acquisition structure.

level operations. This structure ensures continuity of operational oversight and alignment with existing project management practices.

The proposed transaction therefore represents only an indirect transfer of control through changes in upstream ownership interests. The Certificate Holder will remain Goose Prairie Solar LLC, and the project's location, design, operational characteristics, and regulatory obligations under the SCA will remain unchanged.

Through this request, the Certificate Holder seeks EFSEC approval of the indirect transfer of control resulting from the acquisition of upstream ownership interests by Mustang Yieldco Acquirer LLC and its affiliated investment entities. Along with this approval, the Certificate Holder requests that Section II.C. of the SCA be updated to reflect notices to the following address:

Goose Prairie Solar LLC

c/o Mustang Yieldco Acquirer LLC

Brookfield Place New York

225 Liberty Street, 8th Floor

New York, New York 10281

Attn: General Counsel N.A.

Email: [legal.department.na@brookfieldrenewable.com](mailto:legal.department.na@brookfieldrenewable.com)

## **WAC 463-66-100**

### **Transfer of a SCA**

WAC 463-66-100 provides that no SCA or any legal or equitable interest in such agreement, may be transferred or otherwise disposed of directly or indirectly without express Council approval.

### **RESPONSE**

This request demonstrates that the proposed upstream ownership change will not affect the Certificate Holder's ability to comply with the terms and conditions of the SCA. The entities that will ultimately control the Certificate Holder following the transaction possess the organizational, financial, managerial, and technical capability necessary to ensure continued compliance with the SCA and all applicable regulatory requirements.

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## **1. Summary of Application for Transfer**

The Goose Prairie Solar Project is a utility-scale solar photovoltaic generation facility located in Yakima County, Washington.

On January 19, 2021, OER WA Solar 1, LLC applied to EFSEC for a SCA authorizing construction and operation of the Goose Prairie Solar Project with a battery energy storage system (BESS) option. On October 19, 2021, EFSEC issued a recommendation that the Governor approve the project and execute the SCA. On December 20, 2021, the Governor approved the project and executed the SCA authorizing construction and operation of the Goose Prairie Solar Project subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement.

On April 20, 2022, EFSEC approved a transfer of the SCA from OER WA Solar 1, LLC to Goose Prairie Solar LLC, which became the Certificate Holder for the project.

Construction of the solar facility occurred between June 2023 and December 2024, and the solar generation facility is currently operational and generating electricity. The project has an installed generating capacity of approximately 80 megawatts (MWac).

The SCA also authorizes the development of a BESS associated with the project. Pre-construction requirements for the BESS authorized in the SCA are currently in progress.

The proposed transaction involves an indirect transfer of control resulting from a change in the upstream ownership structure of Goose Prairie Solar LLC. Under the proposed transaction, Mustang Yieldco Acquirer LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, will acquire the upstream ownership interests associated with Goose Prairie Solar LLC.

Following completion of the transaction:

- Goose Prairie Solar LLC will remain the SCA holder.
- Ownership of the Goose Prairie Solar Project will remain with Goose Prairie Solar LLC.
- The project's design, location, generating capacity, and operating characteristics will not change.
- The transaction will occur entirely at the upstream ownership level and will therefore constitute an indirect transfer of control of the SCA.

The acquiring investment platform is supported by three institutional investors:

- BCI – approximately 33.3 percent ownership. BCI is a Canadian investment manager overseeing approximately C\$295 billion in assets on behalf of public sector pension plans and insurance funds.
- NBIM – approximately 33.3 percent ownership. NBIM manages the Government Pension Fund Global of Norway, the world's largest sovereign wealth fund, overseeing more than US\$2 trillion in assets.
- BII – approximately 33.3 percent ownership. BII is a globally diversified perpetual infrastructure income fund sponsored by Brookfield. See Exhibits A and B for pre- and post-transaction organizational structure charts.

The Certificate Holder's current parent, Brookfield, through its infrastructure investment platform, BII, will thus retain a 33.3 percent ownership interest and, through affiliate Mustang ServiceCo LLC, will continue to provide operational and asset management services for the project pursuant to an MSA. In addition, affiliates of the project company will continue to provide management and operations services under the existing project-level management and O&M agreements so there will be no change in project-level operations.

Operational management of the Goose Prairie Solar Project will continue under the MSA following completion of the transaction.

The proposed transaction will therefore not affect the Certificate Holder's ability to operate the Goose Prairie Solar Project in compliance with the SCA or applicable regulatory requirements. The request submitted herein seeks EFSEC approval of the indirect transfer of control associated with the change in upstream ownership.

## **2. Ownership Structure**

Goose Prairie Solar LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, owns and operates the Goose Prairie Solar Project. Goose Prairie Solar LLC serves as the certificate holder for the Goose Prairie Solar Project under the SCA issued by EFSEC.

Prior to the proposed transaction, Goose Prairie Solar LLC is indirectly owned by affiliates of Brookfield through Goose Prairie Opco Holdco LLC.

Following completion of the transaction, Mustang Yieldco Acquirer LLC will acquire the upstream ownership interests associated with Goose Prairie Solar LLC through the acquisition structure described below.

The upstream ownership structure associated with the Goose Prairie Solar Project following completion of the transaction will include intermediate holding entities established to facilitate the ownership and financing structure associated with the proposed transaction. See Exhibit B.

Through this acquisition structure, Mustang Yieldco Acquirer LLC will indirectly control Goose Prairie Solar LLC.

The proposed transaction changes only the upstream ownership of the Certificate Holder and does not alter the legal identity of the SCA holder. Accordingly, the proposed transaction constitutes an indirect transfer of control under WAC 463-66-100.

The current upstream ownership structure of the Certificate Holder is shown in Exhibit A, and the ownership structure following completion of the proposed transaction is shown in Exhibit B.

## **3. Organizational, Managerial, and Technical Capability**

The entities that will ultimately control the Certificate Holder following completion of the proposed transaction include institutional investors and affiliated management entities that

collectively possess the organizational, managerial, and technical capability necessary to ensure continued compliance with the SCA. Because the Goose Prairie Solar Project will continue to be operated and managed by Brookfield-affiliated entities with established operational responsibilities for the facility, the proposed upstream ownership change will not affect the Certificate Holder's ability to operate the project in compliance with the SCA or applicable regulatory requirements.

### **Investment Platform**

The upstream ownership interests associated with Goose Prairie Solar LLC will be held through an investment platform supported by BCI, NBIM, and BII, as described in Section 1.

These institutional investors provide the financial backing for the investment platform through which the upstream ownership interests in Goose Prairie Solar LLC will be held.

### **Project Management and Operations**

Administrative and management services for the project will be provided by Mustang ServiceCo LLC (a newly formed Brookfield affiliate), pursuant to an MSA. As a result, operational capability for the Goose Prairie Solar Project will continue to rely on the experience and technical expertise of Brookfield and its affiliated operating entities through the MSA and related operating arrangements. The same operational systems and compliance procedures currently responsible for managing the facility will remain in place.

Thus, through the MSA and the continued operational role of Brookfield-affiliated entities, the entities acquiring upstream ownership interests in Goose Prairie Solar LLC possess the organizational, managerial, and technical capability necessary to ensure continued compliance with the SCA. While the proposed transaction results in a change in upstream ownership interests, it does not alter operational authority or responsibility for SCA compliance. Brookfield's continued operational role ensures that the day-to-day decision-making process for meeting the requirements of the SCA remains in place, with upstream owners exercising only customary governance and approval rights at the ownership level.

### **4. Financial Capability**

The entities acquiring upstream ownership interests in Goose Prairie Solar LLC possess the financial resources necessary to support the continued ownership and operation of the Goose Prairie Solar Project. Through the investment platform and associated ownership structure, the Certificate Holder will have access to sufficient financial resources to fund all costs necessary to operate, maintain, and, as applicable, decommission the facility in accordance with the requirements of the Site Certification Agreement.

Following completion of the proposed transaction, the Certificate Holder will be indirectly owned through an investment platform. As described in Section 1, BCI, NBIM, and BII provide substantial financial backing and long-term investment capacity for the project.

The investment platform supporting the transaction is expected to maintain strong financial performance, including approximately \$200 million in forecast run-rate EBITDA and approximately \$70 million to \$100 million in annual free cash flow available for distribution or reinvestment, stemming from contracted renewable energy assets that are diversified by market and technology.

### **Financial Assurance for Decommissioning**

The Goose Prairie Solar Project will continue to comply with all financial assurance requirements contained in the SCA, including financial assurance for decommissioning and site restoration.

The existing decommissioning letter of credit, in the amount of \$4,032,881.39 and dated February 6, 2026, satisfies the financial assurance requirements of the Site Certification Agreement. Such credit support will remain in effect, as it was issued pursuant to a project-level financing facility supporting the Certificate Holder and is therefore unchanged by the transaction. The Certificate Holder will continue to maintain financial assurance in compliance with the SCA following completion of the proposed transaction.

### **Financial Capability Conclusion**

Based on the financial resources of the institutional investors supporting the investment platform, the expected financial performance of the renewable energy portfolio associated with the transaction, and the continued availability of financial assurance mechanisms required under the SCA, the entities acquiring upstream ownership interests in Goose Prairie Solar LLC possess the financial capability necessary to ensure continued compliance with the SCA.

## **5. Operation and Management of the Facility**

Following completion of the proposed transaction, the ownership of the Goose Prairie Solar Project will remain with Goose Prairie Solar LLC, which will continue to serve as the Certificate Holder under the SCA issued by EFSEC.

The proposed transaction will not change the design, location, generating capacity, or operating characteristics of the facility.

Operational management of the Goose Prairie Solar Project will continue under the MSA following completion of the transaction.

Brookfield and the institutional investors in Mustang YieldCo LLC have confirmed that there will be functional continuity for operating the Goose Prairie Solar Project as a result of the proposed transaction. Accordingly, the same operational systems and compliance procedures currently responsible for managing the facility will remain in place.

Administrative and operational services will be provided by Mustang ServiceCo LLC pursuant to an MSA.

Because the project will continue to be operated and managed by Brookfield-affiliated entities with established operational responsibilities for the facility, the proposed upstream ownership change will not affect the ongoing operation of the Goose Prairie Solar Project or the Certificate Holder's ability to comply with the requirements of the SCA.

#### **6. Capability to Retire the Project and Restore the Site**

The Goose Prairie Solar Project will be decommissioned and the site restored in accordance with the requirements of the SCA and the Initial Site Restoration Plan previously approved by EFSEC.

At the end of the project's operational life, the Certificate Holder will remove project facilities and restore the site in accordance with the decommissioning and site restoration requirements contained in the SCA. Decommissioning activities will include removal of solar generation equipment and associated infrastructure and restoration of the site consistent with the approved restoration plan.

All decommissioning and restoration activities will be conducted in compliance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations and will be carried out by qualified contractors with experience in renewable energy facility decommissioning.

Because the proposed transaction will not change the Certificate Holder or the project's decommissioning obligations under the SCA, the ability to retire the project and restore the site will remain unchanged following completion of the transaction.

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#### **7. WAC 463-66-100(2)**

If the certification holder seeks an alternative disposition of the certificated site, an amendment to the SCA is required.

#### **RESPONSE**

Not applicable. The proposed transaction does not involve an alternative disposition of the certificated site and does not alter the authorized use of the facility.

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#### **8. WAC 463-66-100(3)**

The Council may require written consent from the current certification holder regarding the transfer.

#### **RESPONSE**

The Certificate Holder is submitting this request together with the Buyer and entities acquiring upstream ownership interests and consents to the proposed indirect transfer of control.

**9. WAC 463-66-100(4)**

Following notice and a public informational hearing, the Council may approve the transfer if the applicant demonstrates that it satisfies the applicable regulatory requirements and has the capability to comply with the SCA.

**RESPONSE**

The Buyer and the proposed upstream ownership entities agree to abide by all terms and conditions of the SCA and have demonstrated the organizational, financial, managerial, and technical capability necessary to ensure continued compliance with the SCA.

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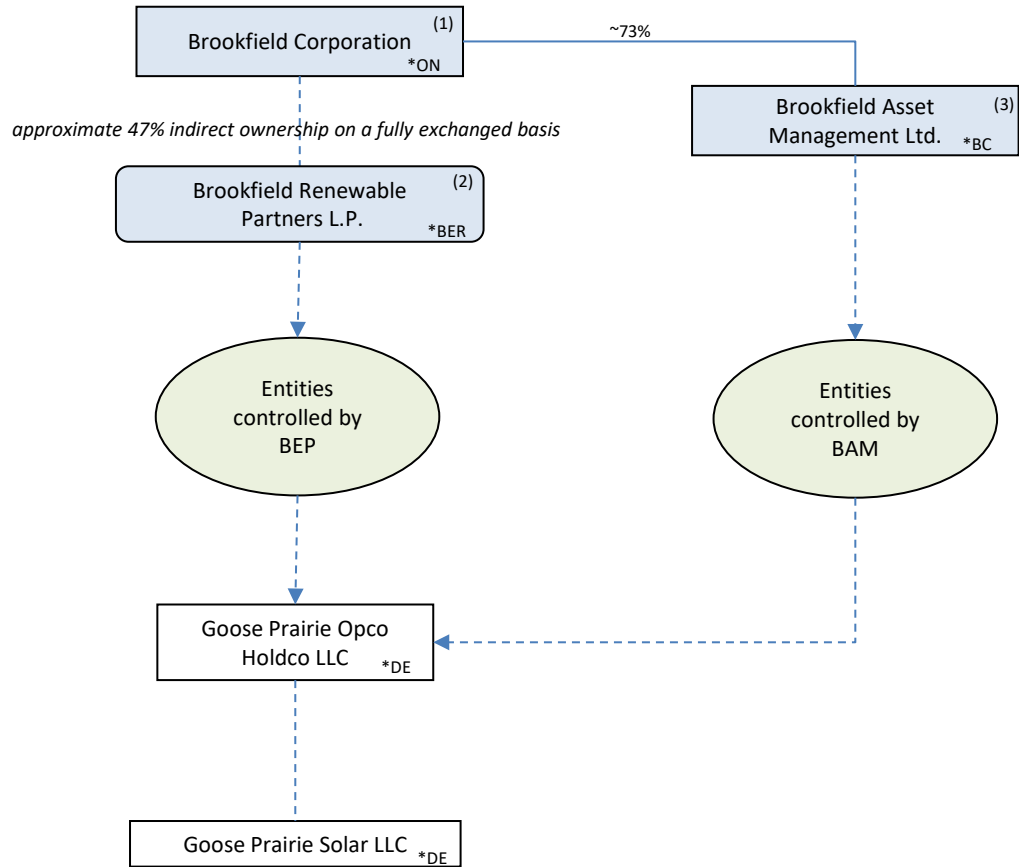
**Exhibits**

A and B – Current Ownership Structure and Ownership Structure Following Transaction

**Exhibits A and B**

**Ownership Structure Pre- and Post-Closing**

# GOOSE PRAIRIE STRUCTURE (pre-closing)



## JURISDICTIONS

BC = British Columbia  
 BER = Bermuda  
 DE = Delaware  
 ON = Ontario

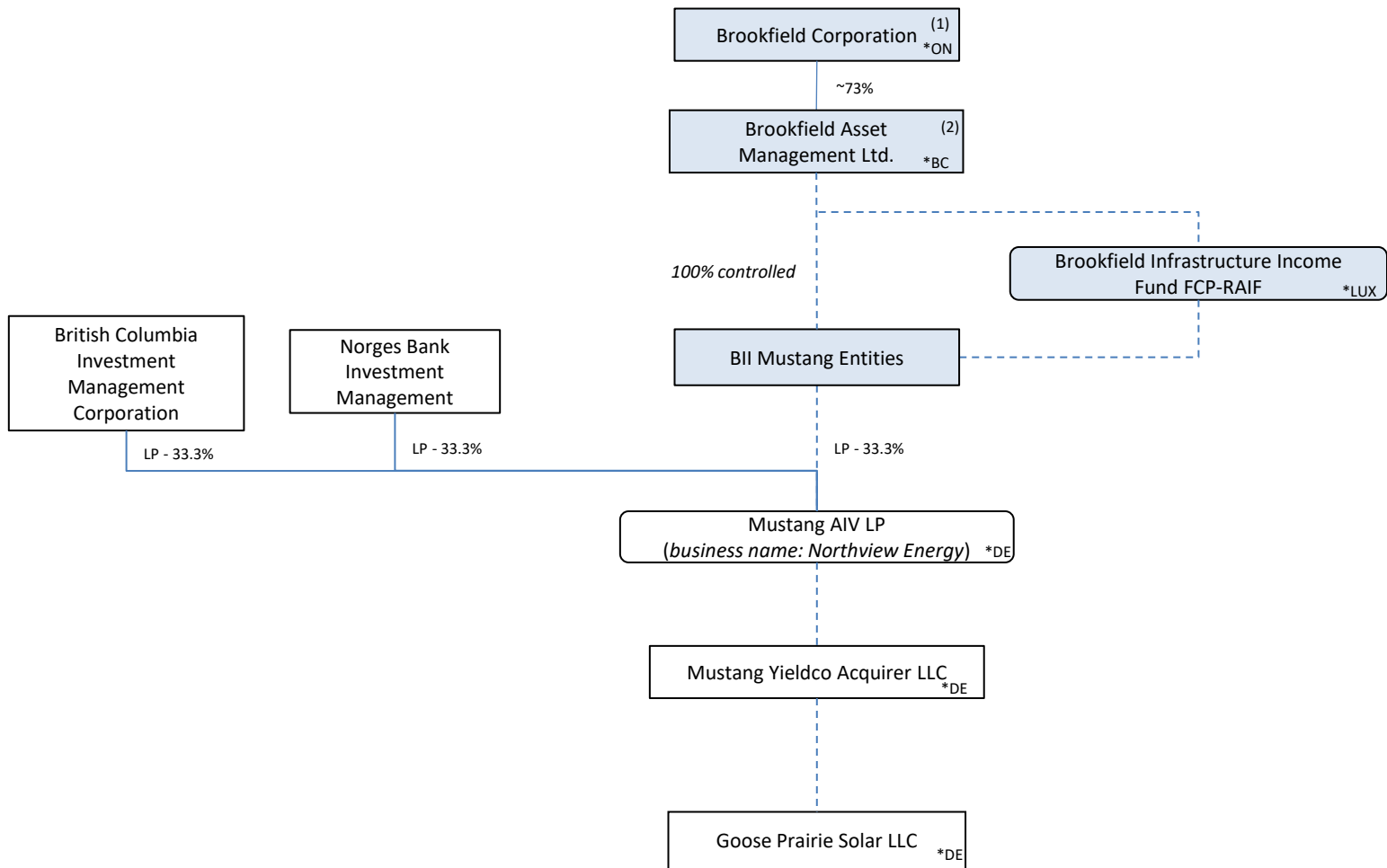
Public entity

----- Indirect ownership

1. Brookfield Corporation is a public company trading on the NYSE (ticker: BN) and TSX (ticker: BN). Annual information and public disclosure filings available on EDGAR and SEDAR+.
2. Brookfield Renewable Partners L.P. is a public entity trading on the NYSE (ticker: BEP) and the TSX (ticker: BEP.UN). Annual information and public disclosure filings available on EDGAR and SEDAR+.
3. Brookfield Asset Management Ltd. is a public company trading on the NYSE (ticker: BAM) and TSX (ticker: BAM). Annual information and public disclosure filings available on EDGAR and SEDAR+.

All ownership is 100% unless otherwise indicated

# MUSTANG STRUCTURE (post-closing)



**JURISDICTIONS**

- \*BC British Columbia, Canada
- \*LUX Luxembourg
- \*DE Delaware, USA
- \*ON Ontario, Canada

Brookfield controlled Entities

- - - - - indicates indirect ownership

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 (2) Brookfield Asset Management Ltd. is a public company trading on the NYSE (ticker: BAM) and TSX (ticker: BAM). Annual information and public disclosure filings available on EDGAR and SEDAR+.

**All ownership is 100% unless otherwise indicated**

## EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update

Facility Name: Ostrea Solar  
Operator: Cypress Creek Renewables  
Report Date: 5/1/2026  
Reporting Period: 4/1/2026-4/30/2026  
Site Contact: Fred Hageman  
Facility SCA Status: Construction

### Construction Status (only applicable for projects under construction)

- O&M facility setup ongoing, establishment of power, water, septic, internet services
- Permission to Operate letter received by Bonneville Power Administration, allowing curtailment to be lifted
- Aerial and field infrared scanning commenced
- Demobilization of construction equipment started
- Availability and capacity testing underway

### Operations & Maintenance (only applicable for operating facilities)

- Not yet operational.
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### The following information must be reported to the Council if applicable to the facility:

#### Environmental Compliance

-Permit status if any changes.

- N/A

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

- BMP maintenance ongoing

-Any EFSEC-related inspections that occurred.

- Site inspections performed on a bi-weekly basis

-Any EFSEC-related complaints or violations that occurred.

- Sediment accumulation in BA-1A swell
- Straw mats needing repair/maintenance
- Missing label on waste material – remediated
- Straw waddle in the eastern property is buried - remediated
- Uncontained material needing storage.

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

- None

#### Safety Compliance

- Nothing to report in the month of April.

#### Current or Upcoming Projects

-Planned site improvements

- Current:
  - O&M shop water and sewage connections
  - Commissioning works of the SCADA
  - On-site Capacity Testing
  - Aerial and Field IR scanning
  - De-mobilization of construction equipment and material.
  
- Upcoming Projects
  - Performance testing
  - Installation of final BMPs
  - Vegetation site survey

-Upcoming permit renewals.

- None.

-Additional mitigation improvements or milestones.

- Active BMP monitoring and remediation ongoing
- Preparation for vegetation site survey and final BMP installation

#### **Other**

-Current events of note.

- N/A

-Personnel changes as they may relate to EFSEC facility contacts:

- None, operational personnel will be identified in the coming weeks

-Public outreach of interest

- None.

## 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:** Carriger Solar LLC

- Milestone Dates:**
- February 10, 2023, Original ASC Submitted
  - September 25, 2023, Council issues Order No. 889 Granting a Finding of Land Use Consistency.
  - April 7, 2025, SEPA Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance published.
  - May 5, 2025, Council granted Expedited Process.
  - June 25, 2025, Council approved Draft Site Certification Agreement (SCA) be sent to the Governor for approval.
  - August 22, 2025 Governor Ferguson remanded the SCA to EFSEC for further consideration.
  - October 21, 2025 Council approved Revised Draft SCA for re-submission to Governor Ferguson.
  - On December 2, 2025 the Governor approved the SCA for execution.

### **Status:**

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

### **Location Map:**



# Cascade Renewable Transmission Project

## General Description:

Request to construct and operate a high-voltage direct current (HVDC) (400-kilovolt [kV]), 1,100-megawatt (MW) electric transmission facility. The facility would interconnect the existing Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) Big Eddy substation, located near The Dalles, Wasco County, Oregon (Eastern Interconnection), and the existing Portland General Electric (PGE) Harborton substation, located in Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon (Western Interconnection). The Project would be constructed primarily in the bed of the Columbia River in both Oregon and Washington, with approximately 40.2 route miles located in Washington and approximately 58 route miles and two converter stations located in Oregon. The Project includes exiting and re-entering the Columbia River in Washington to place approximately 7.6 miles of overland buried transmission cable in Washington, primarily in road ROW, to avoid the Bonneville Locks and Dam.

## Location:

Skamania, Klickitat, and Clark Counties, Washington.

## Applicant:

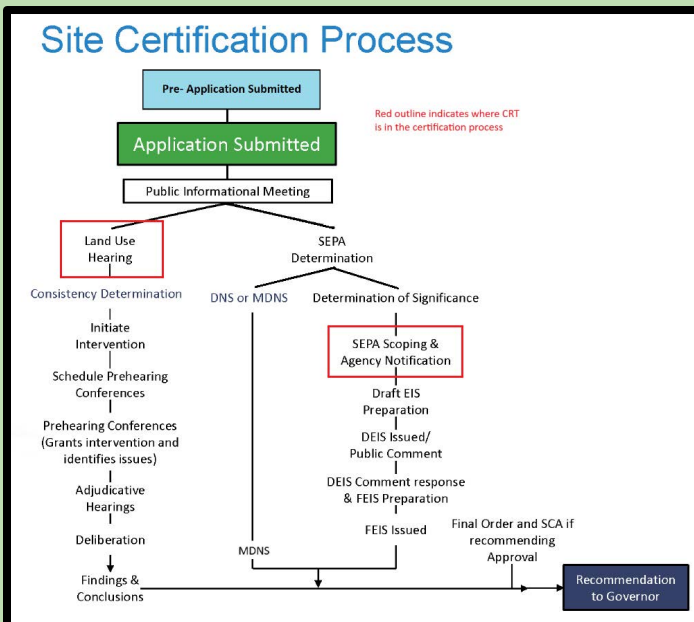
Cascade Renewable Transmission, LLC.

## Milestone Dates:

- October 6, 2025, Original ASC Submitted
- November 17-19, 2025, Public Informational Meetings and Land Use Consistency Hearings

## Status:

## Location Map:



## 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.

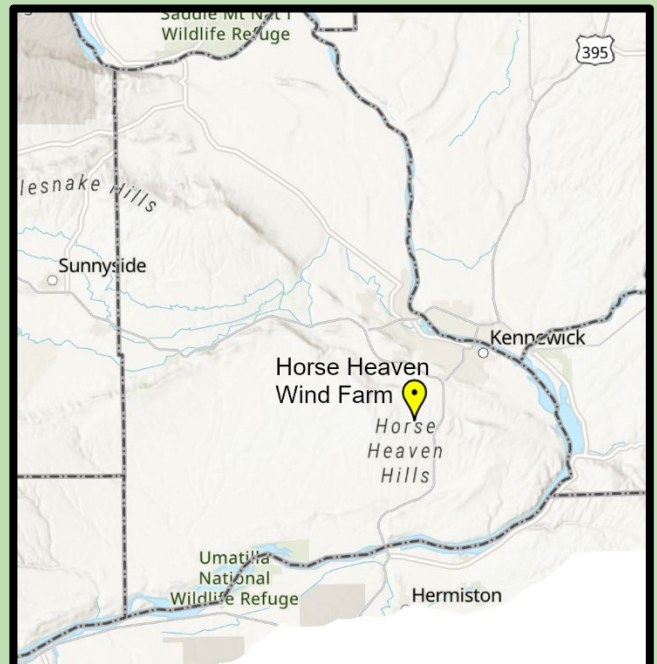
### Milestone Dates:

- 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 17, 2024, Final Recommendation to the Governor Submitted.
- October 18, 2024, Received Signed SCA and Final Decision from the Governor.
- November 21, 2024, Certificate Holder Signed the SCA.

### Status:

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

### 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-megawatt<sup>2</sup> (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:**

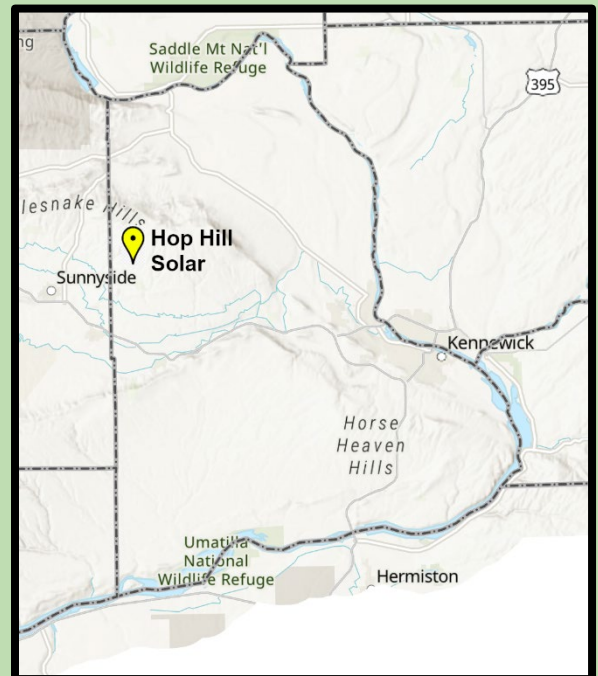
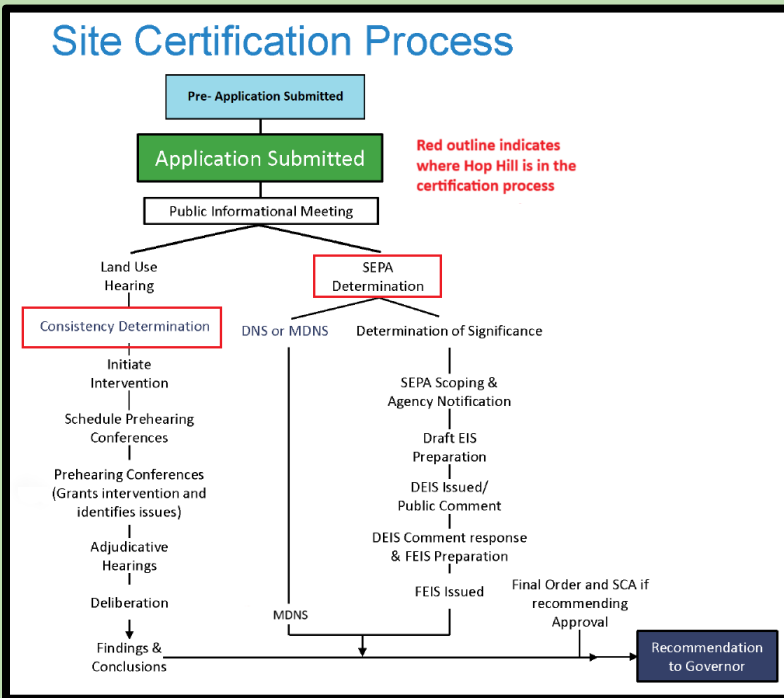
BrightNight, LLC.

**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:**



# 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.

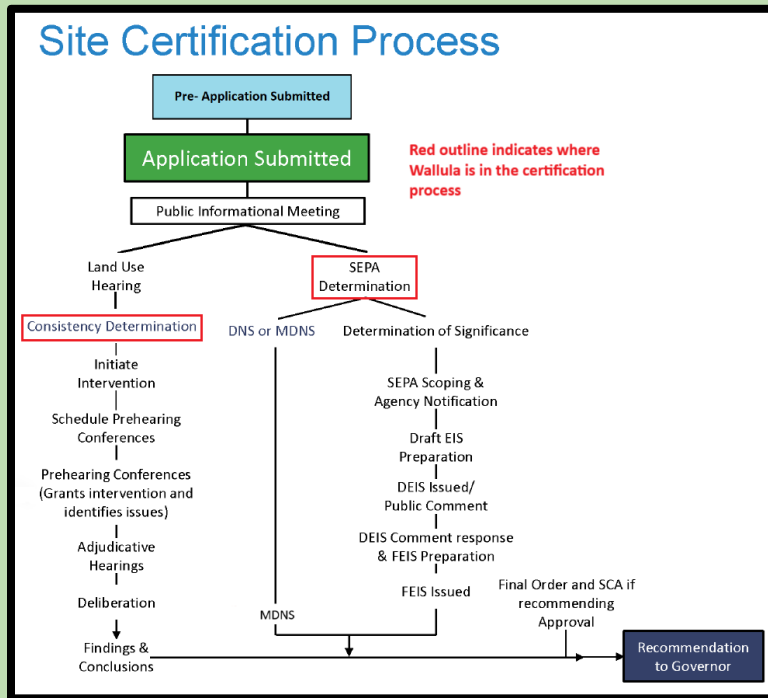
## Applicant:

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 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:

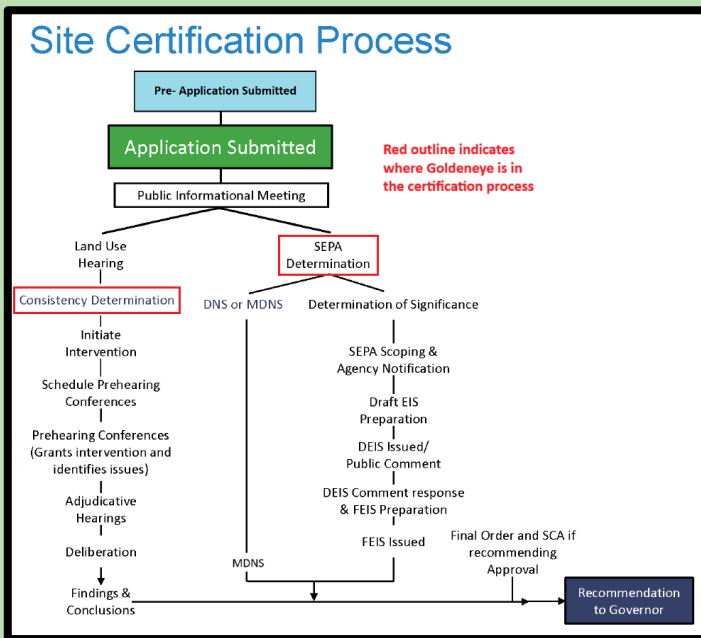
Goldeneye Battery Storage, LLC.

## Milestone Dates:

- June 27, 2024, Original ASC Submitted
- August 13, 2024, Public Information Meeting and Land Use Consistency Hearing.
- February 19, 2025, Council approved Order 898 for project's Land Use Consistency

## Status:

## Location Map:



## EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update

Facility Name: Chehalis Generation Facility  
Operator: PacifiCorp  
Report Date: May 1, 2026  
Reporting Period: April 2026  
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.

- 0 net MWhrs generated in the reporting period for a capacity factor of 0.00%
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**The following information must be reported to the Council if applicable to the facility:**

### Environmental Compliance

-Monthly Water Usage: 136,136 gallons

- No changes

-Monthly Wastewater Returned: 205,625 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 3,926 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeremy Smith", on a light-colored rectangular background.

Jeremy Smith  
Gas Plant Operations Manager  
Chehalis Generation Facility

## EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting

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

Operator: **Energy Northwest**

Report Date: **May 12, 2026**

Reporting Period: **April 2026**

Site Contact: **Mary Ramos**

Facility SCA Status: **Operational**

CGS Net Electrical Generation for **April 2026: 823,309.44 Mega Watt-Hours.**

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

**Environmental Compliance:**

No update.

**Safety Compliance**

No update.

**Current or Upcoming Projects**

No update.

**Other**

No update.

## EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update

Facility Name: Grays Harbor Energy Center  
Operator: Grays Harbor Energy LLC  
Report Date: May 20, 2026  
Reporting Period: April 2026  
Site Contact: Eric Pace  
Facility SCA Status: Operational

### Operations & Maintenance

-GHEC generated 0 MWh during the month and 6,411MWh YTD.

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

### Environmental Compliance

- There weren't any outfall or stormwater deviations during the month.
- Routine monthly, quarterly, and annual reporting submissions to EFSEC Staff.
  - o Monthly and Quarterly Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs).
  - o Quarterly Air Emissions Report
- RATA test plan submittal and CEMS certification testing notification

### Safety Compliance

- None.

### Current or Upcoming Projects

- Annual Maintenance Outage May 1-22
- RATA for CEMS recertification May 27-28

### Other

-None.

## EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update Format

Facility Name: Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project

Operator: EDP Renewables

Report Date: May 11, 2026

Reporting Period: April 2026

Site Contact: Jarred Caseday, Operations Manager

Facility SCA Status: Operational

### **Operations & Maintenance (only applicable for operating facilities)**

- Power generated: 26,609 MWH.
  - Wind speed: 7.60 m/s.
  - Capacity Factor: 36.66 %.
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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
- Kittitas Valley had 2 turbines Vandalized between Jan 2026- April 2026. This incident has been reported to the Kittitas County Sheriff Department. Turbine G4, Damage to the turbine door locking mechanism. Turbine G1, Unauthorized paint marking at the base of turbine tower. Both turbines have been repaired.

## EFSEC Monthly Council Meeting – Facility Update

**Facility Name:** Wild Horse Wind Facility  
**Operator:** Puget Sound Energy  
**Report Date:** May 11, 2026  
**Report Period:** April 2026  
**Site Contact:** Jennifer Galbraith  
**SCA Status:** Operational

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### **Operations & Maintenance**

April generation totaled 53,543 MWh for an average capacity factor of 27.28%.

### **Environmental Compliance**

Nothing to report.

### **Safety Compliance**

Nothing to report.

### **Current or Upcoming Projects**

Nothing to report.

### **Other**

Nothing to report.