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Notice of Intent for Wagon Trail Solar Project

Summary: Date Issued: November 25, 2020

Proposal: Up to 500 megawatt (MW) photovoltaic (PV) solar energy generation facility within an approximately 5,957 acre (9.3 sq. miles) site boundary on privately-owned land zoned for Exclusive Farm Use.

Location: Morrow County, approximately 24 miles southeast of the City of Arlington.

Public Comment Deadline: January 22, 2021

Public Informational Meeting: January 7, 2021 See page 2 for details

Introduction: The Oregon Department of Energy (Department), staff to the Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC), received a Notice of Intent (NOI) on November 3, 2020 from Wheatridge East Wind, LLC (applicant), a wholly owned subsidiary of NextEra Energy Resources, LLC, that it intends to submit a preliminary application for site certificate (pASC) to construct and operate the Wagon Trail Solar Project, a proposed PV solar energy generation facility. The applicant expects to submit the pASC around March 2021. The proposed facility would occupy more than 4,500 acres of arable and nonarable lands, which constitutes a State jurisdictional energy facility under ORS 469.300(11)(D)(ii) and (iii), requiring that the applicant obtain a site certificate from EFSC prior to construction and operation. The Department is accepting public comments on the NOI from November 25, 2020 through January 22, 2021 (additional time afforded due to overlap with recognized holidays).

Proposed Facility Description: The Wagon Trail Solar Project (proposed facility) would have a generating capacity of up to 500 MW using solar PV technology. The proposed facility site boundary includes approximately 5,957 acres.

The proposed facility consists of PV solar panels/modules, steel tracker tables and posts, cabling, power conversion stations, and related or

supporting facilities. Proposed related or supporting facilities include distributed battery storage (lithiumion); up to four collector substations on 5- to 10-acre sites, each; up to 8-mile 230 kilovolt (kV) transmission line on H-frame structures extending up to 150 feet in height; an Operations and Maintenance building; up to three meteorological towers; site access, service roads, perimeter fencing, and gates; and, up to four temporary construction areas.

Additional detailed information is available in the NOI Exhibit B (see hyperlink to Department's project webpage in More Information below).

Proposed Facility Location: The proposed facility would be located south of I-84 in Morrow County. A map of the proposed facility site boundary is attached to this notice. More maps are available in NOI Attachment 2, and the Department maintains an online mapping program where the proposed facility site and regional location can be viewed via hyperlink: https://arcg.is/1Gf8CK

EFSC Review Process: The review of an application for site certificate (ASC) is a consolidated, comprehensive process where the Department requests comments from state and local agencies, tribal governments and the general public throughout the process, and concurrently reviews other permits necessary for the proposed facility. The applicant must demonstrate that the proposed facility meets EFSC standards established under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 469.501 and set forth in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) Chapters 345, divisions 22 and 24, as well as all other applicable Oregon statutes, rules, and standards. The Department serves as staff to EFSC and conducts the ASC review process.

Pursuant to ORS 469.504(4), an applicant must elect to demonstrate compliance with the statewide planning goals by either obtaining local land use approval from the affected local government(s) or through EFSC's determination of compliance. At this time, Wheatridge East Wind, LLC intends to satisfy the Council's Land Use standard (OAR 345-022-0030) which includes compliance with Morrow County land

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use standards, by seeking an EFSC determination under ORS 469.504(1)(b). Morrow County Board of Commissioners is the Special Advisory Group for the EFSC review.

Public Participation: There are several opportunities for public participation and comment during the EFSC process. The first is the public comment period on the NOI, which is currently open. The Department and applicant will host a teleconference public informational meeting on Thursday, January 7, 2021. Informational meetings provide an opportunity for the public to provide comments and ask questions about the proposed facility and review process.

After the application is determined to be complete the Department will issue notice of another public informational meeting. Then at the issuance the Department's draft proposed order, notice will be provided about a public hearing and comment period that will provide an opportunity for the public to provide in-person and remote oral and written testimony on the application and draft proposed order for the proposed facility.

The purpose of NOI and ASC informational meetings is for the Department and applicant to provide information about the proposed facility and EFSC review process to the general public, which differs from a public hearing, where the purpose is to provide the general public an opportunity to provide oral comments to EFSC and a Hearing Officer on the ASC and DPO. The Department will provide notice of all future public informational meetings and hearings.

Notice of Intent: The NOI provides notice to the Department and the public that the applicant intends to submit an ASC in the future. The NOI contains preliminary information about the proposed facility and provides an opportunity for the public, state and local governments and Tribal governments to

This Public Notice initiates the first public comment period in the EFSC process, extending from November 25, 2020 through January 22, 2021.

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Comment Period and Informational Meeting: Public comments on the NOI are encouraged to help the $\,$ applicant identify issues and concerns early in the

Comments on the NOI are due by January 22, 2021, and must be submitted in writing by U.S. mail, e-mail, or by fax. Please send comments to:

> Chase McVeigh-Walker, Senior Siting Analyst Oregon Department of Energy 550 Capitol Street NE Salem, OR 97301 Phone: (503) 934-1582

Email: chase.mcveigh-walker@oregon.gov

Oral comments on the NOI may also be given via remote participation at the informational meeting. The informational meeting will be held on January 7, 2021 at 5:30 pm via WebEx. To participate, you may use one of the options below:

https://odoe.webex.com/odoe/onstage/g.php?MTID= e98bcca8fab753a2ab2a4dc000be8e746

Dial in: 1-408-418-9388. Access Code: 173 209 0142

Please Note: The submission of comments does not automatically register your contact information to receive notices. If you would like to receive notices for this proposed facility or any other EFSC project, and have not already done so, please follow the instructions on the next page

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More Information:

More information about the proposed facility and the review process are available using any of the following options. If you need more information, please contact Chase McVeigh-Walker.

Oregon Department of Energy's webpage: More details on the Wagon Trail Solar Project, including the NOI, are available online at: https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilitiessafety/facilities/Pages/WTS.aspx

Resources describing the State Siting Process, including "Oregonians Guide to Siting and Oversight of Energy Facilities" are available at: https://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilitiessafety/facilities/Pages/default.aspx

2) Updates by Email/Mail:

Subscribe to ClickDimensions for email updates on the proposed facility or other energy facilities under EFSC jurisdiction. ClickDimensions is an automated email system that allows interested members of the public to manage subscriptions to information received about Department projects and events. For more information, please visit: https://tinyurl.com/ODOE-EFSC

To receive notices by U.S. Mail, please contact Chase McVeigh-Walker and request to be added to the paper notice list.

Accessibility information:

The Oregon Department of Energy is committed to accommodating people with disabilities. If you require any special physical or language accommodations, or need information in an alternate format, please contact Michiko Mata at 503-378-3895, toll-free in Oregon at 800-221-8035, or email to michiko.mata@oregon.gov.

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3) In Hardcopy:

Hard copies of the NOI are available for public inspection at the following location at no cost. Hard copies will be provided at reasonable cost upon request to the Department.

Oregon Department of Energy 550 Capitol Street NF Salem, OR 97301

Please contact the Department to arrange viewing of hard copies of the NOI.

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