

Military Economic Advisory Committee
September 21, 2017
Boardman, Oregon

Attendees: Kathleen Cathey, Kym Erevia, Russ Gibson, Bob Guertin, Larry Lindsay, Stephanie Loving, Laura Miner, Jerry Rietman, Max Woods. By Phone: Alan Blyther, Carla McLane.

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. Introductions were made. Meeting notes were reviewed; no changes were identified.

Project Updates:

- RAICUZ: Still some delays due to DoD changes coming down, as well as staff transition and comment period. Navy will get the Oregon planners updated in November. Will hold a RAICUZ open house.
- Gravel Usage: Alan is the facilities project manager – he explained that the last project was completed using an in-house civil engineer for the designed specifications, they used the federal bid process, and put the project out for public bid. Prime distributor was hired, who put their own bid out for subs for the materials, there were no local bidders, and all labor and equipment was already onsite. The value had to remain at small purchase funding level below \$150k in order to reduce complications for project. Upcoming project – Will need access improvements for future opportunity in the spring (March-April timeframes) with bid opportunities coming up in February.
- Oregon Trail Interpretation: No update from the Navy for the south end of the range. Carla, Kym Erevia and Kim Peacher will get together to discuss next steps. Payment is an issue; Kim P will see if the cultural resources department has put in requests for 2018 funding.
- OMD/ORNG: No updates, will continue for October agenda.
- FAA requirements: Further discussion by the planning commission will take place next week regarding the requirements.
- White paper: Current draft has been provided to Kim Preacher. She has started looking at it and has determined there will need to be significant changes made on the Navy side. Since the initial draft there are also numerous changes and additions from all agencies. Will not be released to general stakeholders for review until clean draft is completed.
- REPI: Land owners and developers would like to see the first appraisal including the process; Initial appraisal is not available by Navy because it's not correct due to easement changes. Developers want to understand the valuation of the land process; Kim P will follow up.

Energy Project Updates:

- B2H: Navy waiting until BLM ROD is done before they start theirs.
- Wheatridge: Needs to be built by the end of 2019 due to tax SIPs with south morrow county.
- Carty II, III & solar: PGE is planning to keep solar farm component of their proposal and time extension for Carty II construction. Unit III removed from the application.
- Orchard Wind: Conditional use permit in hand with initial construction starting fall next year.

- Boardman solar: Site visit to occur today; the application is complete and the public information meeting was held last night. Morrow County will be working on list of proposed conditions to submit to ODOE.
- EFSC Rule Making: Scope is up for council discussion today, with a RAC nomination to be done today.

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- Kim P shared that airspace maps are available, and she will be working on action items from today's meeting.
- Don Russell: Morrow County signed SIP agreement with Wheatridge, which will include the condition that there be aircraft detection lighting with final FAA approvals.
- Max: Montague project started construction in Gilliam county last week. Montague picked up the Baseline project that included an informal agreement with the Navy to the south of the primary site.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.