

Military Economic Advisory Committee
August 16, 2018
Port of Morrow Riverfront Center, Boardman, Oregon

Attendees: Bob Guertin, Carla McLane, Jeff Maffuccio, Larry Lindsay, Melissa Lindsay, Stan Hutchinson, Stephen Wreccics

By phone: Alec Shebiel, Debbie Lankford, Jerry Saldano, Kellen Tardaewether, Kim Peacher, Tucker Billman

Introductions were made.

Mission, Vision, Goals, and Objectives Discussion:

Discussion surrounding the drafting of an amended Mission Statement for the MEAC. Further refinement to the Mission Statement is needed, being sure to incorporate proposed Mission Statements from the workgroup. Mission Statement needs to balance needs of the Military, Developers, and Communities. Consensus that Mission Statement should be reduced to a few sentences. There is a broader economic impact, MEAC should seek to pull in neighboring counties and engage them. **GOALS:** Incentivize the Green Energy Corridor(s) as a goal and how we manage development. Identify legislative awareness at the local and state level. Develop communication process. General discussion regarding compensation by the military to offset negative economic impact. Need to find mechanism that works and wouldn't require congressional acts. Suggestion that we remove the objectives and just turn to more refined goals.

Items for the Good of the Order:

Carla participating on RAC's regarding ODOE rulemaking on solar facilities and LCDC rulemaking for solar on high-value farmland.

Energy Project Updates:

Boardman to Hemmingway - Nearing completeness, revised Exhibit S still outstanding with State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). Once completed informational meetings will be held in each county. 4-6-week potential time line for informational meetings. Unknown if additional RAI and public comment will be required. DPO potentially in January or February 2019.

Green Energy Corridor- Permit Issued, however UEC does not have all easements needed; permit was obtained by Land Use Authorizations not easements. Discussion around UEC easements and potential for condemnation.

Wheatridge – Two amendments in process for turbine size and battery storage. Amendment for turbine size is going down Type B pathway, battery storage is going down Type A pathway. EFSC is drafting two separate DPO's, waiting for RAI responses and data requests from the certificate holder.

Nolin Hills - No significant updates. EFSC still waiting on preliminary application for site certificate.

Orchard Wind – Completed wildlife studies for ODFW. Completed updated environmental review. Investors touring site. Estimated start to construction 2019 with CUP extension anticipated.

Boardman Solar - CUP application received and being processed, no significant updates.

Carty Solar – Close to Proposed Order, potentially by the end of September 2018.

Harp, Stark Solar, and POM - Harp completed. Morrow Solar completed. Stark Solar DLCD notice pending.

Next meeting scheduled for September 20, 2018 at the same location. Adjourned at 10:43 a.m.