## Military Economic Advisory Committee September 20, 2018 Port of Morrow Riverfront Center, Boardman, Oregon

Attendees: Bob Guertin, Carla McLane, Jerry Rietmen, Melissa Lindsay, Stan Hutchinson, Stephen Wrecsics

By phone: Alec Shebiel, Debbie Lankford, Kellen Tardaewether, Kent Mathis, Kim Peacher

Introductions were made and minutes from May, June, and August 2018 were accepted as presented.

## Mission, Vision, Goals, and Objectives Discussion:

Discussion surrounding the drafting of an amended Mission Statement for the MEAC. Beginning to finalize MEAC Mission Statement. Goals are in draft form, refinement continues in a balanced way as to include all parties.

## Items for the Good of the Order:

Captain Matthew L. Arny appointed Commanding Officer NAS Whidbey Island. EOD training at Naval Weapons System Training Facility (NWSTF) Boardman, from September 25-28, 2018. Discussion for next MEAC regarding Navy purchasing easements on Hood Canal in Washington State. Could this process be used locally? Fourth prefinal RAICUZ in final review of draft. Oregon National Guard received approval for an \$11 million project on NWSTF Boardman for an Aviation Training Range. In a separate project, 3 large facilities are being renovated on the Umatilla County side of the Army Depot. Discussion surrounding future MEAC dates (dates to be presented at October MEAC meeting). Discussion surrounding Morrow County section of the Army Depot.

## **Energy Project Updates:**

<u>Boardman to Hemmingway</u> - Completeness letter expected last week in September. Coordinating informational meetings for first week of October 15. DPO target Q1 2019. Notice dates will correspond with the reviewing agency comment period. Navy; NEPA timeline posted, Section 106 letter expected. Bi-weekly stakeholder calls continue.

<u>Green Energy Corridor</u>- UEC Permits issued. Permit issued based on land use authorizations, UEC running into issues with obtaining easements. Department of Justice (DOJ) working with DLCD on path and rulemaking need. More information expected last week in September.

<u>Wheatridge</u> - Local CUP issued. 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. PGE scheduled October 2 on PUC docket prioritized shortlist for their RFP.

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

Orchard Wind - CUP extension granted.

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

<u>Carty Solar</u> - Close to Proposed Order, potentially by the end of September 2018.

<u>Harp, Stark Solar, and POM</u> - Harp completed. Morrow Solar completed. Stark Solar CUP and Goal 3 Exception for arable lands delayed. SunPower has divested from other projects.

Next meeting scheduled for October 18, 2018 at the same location. Adjourned at 09:55 a.m.