



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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**May 16, 2005 Special Meeting Minutes**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Luce called the May 16, 2005 special meeting to order at 925 Plum Street S.E., Building 4, Room 308, at 1:32 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Council members present were:

Richard Fryhling	Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development
Hedia Adelsman	Department of Ecology
Chris Towne	Department of Fish and Wildlife
Tony Ifie	Department of Natural Resources
Tim Sweeney	Utilities and Transportation Commission
Patti Johnson	Kittitas County Representative
Jim Luce	Chair

A quorum was present to conduct business.

Staff in attendance were:

Allen Fiksdal – EFSEC Manager, Mike Mills – Compliance Manager, Irina Makarow – Siting Manager, Mariah Laamb – Council Secretary, Adam Torem – Administrative Law Judge

Guests in attendance were:

John Lane – Counsel for the Environment, Darrel Peebles – Attorney (Wild Horse Wind Power Project)

Guests attending via phone:

Scott Williams – Puget Sound Energy, Jim Hurson – Attorney for Kittitas County

**3. ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA**

The meeting Agenda was approved.

**4. WILD HORSE WIND POWER PROJECT**

Ms. Makarow presented background information regarding EFSEC's compliance with the State Environmental Policy Act in this matter.

The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) has completed the Final EIS under contract with Jones and Stokes Associates. The analysis was undertaken to meet the direction of the State Environmental Policy Act. A Draft EIS was issued for public comment on August 4, 2004. A public comment hearing was held on August 24, 2004, in Ellensburg, Washington. The public comment period closed on September 10, 2004. EFSEC received 32 comment letters and oral comments from 17 individuals. The Final EIS was prepared from information received from agencies, organizations, and individuals who submitted written and oral comments on the Draft EIS, and from testimony presented in the adjudicative hearings before EFSEC. Comments on the Draft EIS have resulted in changes to text and illustrations where appropriate. The Final EIS is ready for issuance to the public.

**Motion: That the Council adopt the final EIS in its consideration of the Wild Horse Wind Power Project, Application No. 2004-01, and direct the Council Manager to issue the document pursuant to the requirements of WAC 197-11-460.**

**Councilmember Fryhling made the motion and Councilmember Adelsman seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.**

## 5. ADJOURN

Chair Luce adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.