



STATE OF WASHINGTON
ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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September 27, 2005 Special Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Luce called the September 27, 2005 special meeting to order in Richland, Washington at the Hampton Inn at 9:00 a.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
Jim Luce	Chair

A quorum was present to conduct business.

Staff in attendance were:

Mike Mills – Compliance Manager

Guests in attendance were:

Max Benitz, Jr. – Benton County, Adam Fyall – Benton County, Jeff Tayer – WDFW, Robert Drake – property owner, Stuart Harris – CTUIR, Barbara Harper – CTUIR, John Cox – CTUIR, Rico Cruz – CTUIR, Steven Link – WSU, John Strand – WSU, Sally Simmons – WSU, Terry Northstrom – ENW, Bill Kiel – ENW

3. 1/4 OFFSITE MITIGATION – BENTON COUNTY PROJECT SITE VISITS

Council, staff and guests met at the Hampton Inn at 9:00 a.m. and drove to Prosser to meet Robert Drake, a local property owner, who is offering approximately 900 acres for possible acquisition. Benton County Commissioner Max Benitz, Jr., Adam Fyall, Benton County, and Jeff Tayer, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), joined Council members and staff in touring Mr. Drake's property.

At 1:30 p.m., the group, joined by Energy Northwest (ENW) staff, met with representatives from the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) and Washington State

University Tri-Cities (WSU) at the WSU Richland campus and received a presentation on a combined proposal from CTUIR/WSU on a Native Shrub-Steppe Experimental Field Station/Native Plant Revegetation Project. The visit concluded with a tour of the Arid Lands Campus Preserve area.

4. ADJOURN

The Council meeting and tour concluded at 3:15 p.m.