

**State of Washington
Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council**

Scout Clean Energy-Horse Heaven Hills Wind Project – EFSEC Docket No. EF-210011

**NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL PUBLIC MEETING AND LANDUSE CONSISTENCY
HEARING MARCH 30, 2021
5 PM
Virtual Meeting**

Description of Proposal: On February 8, 2021 Horse Heaven Wind Farm, LLC (Applicant) submitted an Application for Site Certification (ASC) to the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) to develop, construct and operate the Horse Heaven Wind Farm Project (Project). The proposed Project location is in Benton County south of Kennewick and will have a maximum generating capacity of 1,150 Megawatts (MW). The Applicant has requested review under EFSEC expedited process for the ASC. An ASC may be eligible for expedited review when the EFSEC Council finds (1) the environmental impacts of the proposed project are not significant or can be mitigated to non-significant levels and (2) the Project is consistent and in compliance with city, county, or regional land use plans.

The ASC and other materials are posted on the EFSEC website: www.efsec.wa.gov. Copies of the ASC will also be provided to the Washington State Library and to local libraries.

Proponent: Horse Heaven Wind Farm, LLC, 5775 Flatiron Parkway, Suite 120, Boulder, CO, 80301.

State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Lead Agency: EFSEC

SEPA Threshold Determination Required: A threshold determination is required to determine whether an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required. The threshold determination will be made based on the probable project impacts identified in the information presented in the ASC. A threshold determination of non-significance (DNS) may be issued if the SEPA responsible official (EFSEC Manager) determines there will be no probable significant adverse environmental impacts. An EIS is not required if a DNS is issued.

Public Comment –Public Comment will be accepted during the Public Information Meeting and Land Use Consistency Hearing. If you are unable to attend the meeting please send your comment in writing to efsec@utc.wa.gov or at the mailing address below.

Meeting Location – The Public Information Meeting and Land Use Consistency Hearing will be held virtually due to public health concerns related to the spread of the novel corona virus (COVID-19). We appreciate your participation and thank you for your patience and understanding.

You may attend the meeting via Skype online or via phone at:

- <https://lync.wa.gov/utc.wa.gov/meet/joan.owens/DPSH9WFT>
- 1 (360) 407-3810 ID: 6702140#

To facilitate this remote meeting, EFSEC would like to invite speakers to sign up ahead of the meeting. Anyone wishing to speak during the public meeting please notify EFSEC by phone at (360) 664-1345 or email at efsec@utc.wa.gov before 5:00 pm on March 30, 2021.

Open House – **March 30, 2021, 5:00 – 5:30 PM:** The Applicant and EFSEC staff will be available to answer questions about the Project and the EFSEC review process.

Informational Public Meeting – **March 30, 2021, 5:30 – 7:30 PM or last speaker, whichever comes first:** As required by RCW 80.50.090 (1) and WAC 463-26-025 EFSEC will hold a Public Informational Meeting. At this meeting, the Applicant and EFSEC staff will make presentations. Also, at this meeting, Counsel for the Environment, an Assistant Attorney General appointed by the Washington Attorney General will be introduced and will explain the duties of this position. Public comment will be taken during this meeting. To sign up to speak at this meeting please send an email to efsec@utc.wa.gov or call EFSEC staff at (360) 664-1345 before 5:00 pm on March 30, 2021.

Land Use Consistency Hearing – **March 30, 2021, 7:30 – 9:00 PM or last speaker, whichever comes first:** As required by RCW 80.50.090 (2) and WAC 463-26-050 and 463-26-060 subsequent to the informational public hearing, at approximately 7:30 PM EFSEC will hold a Land Use Hearing. During this hearing, the public will be given an opportunity to provide testimony regarding the proposed Project's consistency and compliance with land use plans and zoning ordinances. To sign up to give testimony at this hearing please send an email to efsec@utc.wa.gov or call EFSEC staff at (360) 664-1345 before 5:00 pm on March 30, 2021.

Note: The Land Use Consistency Hearing will begin no later than 30 minutes after the conclusion of the Informational Public Meeting, which may end before 7:30 PM.

For information regarding the Project please contact Amy Moon, EFSEC Site Specialist at (360) 664-1362. If you have special accommodation needs or need language translation services to provide your comment, please contact EFSEC staff at (360) 664-1345 or send an email to efsec@utc.wa.gov.

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