



June 9, 2021

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, WA 98504-3172

Attn: Sonia Bumpus, EFSEC Manager

RE: Horse Heaven Wind Farm Project – Request for Comments
I-82 Exit - 114 (Locust Rd), Exit 122 (Coffin Rd), & Exit 131 (SR 14 Jct.)
SR 397 MP 0.00 to MP 8.37
SR 221 MP 13.53 (Sellards Rd) to MP 18.79 (Perault Rd)

We have reviewed the proposed project and have the following comments.

- The proposed project is in the vicinity of four highways under Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) control and responsibility. Interstate 82 (I-82), State Route 14 (SR 14), State Route 397 (SR 397), and State Route 221 (SR 221). Access restrictions and requirements for each highway are as follows.

I-82 is a full-control limited access facility with a posted speed limit of 70 miles per hour. WSDOT has acquired all access rights to I-82, including the on- and off-ramps and interchange crossroads. Direct access to I-82 or within the limits of our access control is strictly prohibited.

SR 14 is a partial-control limited access facility with a posted speed limit of 55 miles per hour. Access to this highway is restricted solely to public road intersections. No new access to SR 14 will be allowed.

SR 397 is a Class 2 Managed Access highway with a posted speed limit of 60 miles per hour. Access to SR 397 is available via existing public road intersection and private permitted access connections. New or modified private access to SR 397 may be allowed; however, an approved Access Connection Permit must be obtained from the department prior to construction.

SR 221 is a Class 1 Managed Access highway with a posted speed limit of 65 miles per hour. Access to SR 221 is available via existing public road intersections and private permitted access connections. New or modified private access to SR 221 may be allowed; however, an approved Access Connection Permit must be obtained from the department prior to construction.

- Surveying, geometric design, or any other activities or work proposed inside WSDOT rights-of-way are required to follow current WSDOT permitting, design documentation, and approval processes. In addition, any proposed modification(s) to I-82 must be reviewed and approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). In order to avoid any potential project delays, the proponent should coordinate any proposed modifications to the state highway system with this office as early as possible and not underestimate the time and effort necessary to satisfy the above requirements. It is anticipated the proponent will reimburse the department for all direct and in-direct related costs incurred for this proposal.
- All loads transported on WSDOT rights-of-way must be within the legal size and load limits or have a valid oversize and/or overweight permit, if allowed. The applicant is responsible for the safe transportation of materials and adherence to permit conditions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this project. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Jacob Prilucik at (509) 225-0637.

Sincerely,



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cc: SR 82, File #2021_004
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