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Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment Construction Stormwater General Permit for Brookfield Renewables Goose Prairie Solar, LLC Yakima County, WA

In accordance with Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 80.50 and RCW 90.48, and Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 463-76-005 and WAC 463-76-010(27) **NOTICE** is hereby given that the Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) has made a tentative determination to issue for public comment the draft National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Construction Stormwater General Permit for Brookfield Renewables. The proposed project, known as the Goose Prairie Solar Project 11900-12898 WA-24, Moxee, WA.

EFSEC is authorized to grant coverage under this general NPDES permit issued by the Department of Ecology (Ecology). Permit compliance will be governed by applicable provisions of RCW 80.50, RCW 90.48, WAC 173-102A, WAC 463-75, and WAC 463-70. The Ecology Construction Stormwater General Permit provides coverage for industrial construction activities proposed by Brookfield Renewables. A Letter of Coverage confirms coverage under the General Permit and reconciles Permit conditions that may differ from EFSEC requirements.

Approximately 28 acres will be disturbed for construction of a solar energy production facility. All discharges and runoff are to ground.

EFSEC reviews public comments and considers whether discharges from this project would cause a measurable change in receiving water quality, and, if so, whether the project is necessary and in the overriding public interest according to Tier II anti-degradation requirements under WAC 463-76 and by reference WAC 173-201A-320.

Comments on the proposed Letter of Coverage will be accepted from April 20, 2023 through May 20, 2023.

Any person desiring to present their views to EFSEC concerning this application may notify EFSEC on the EFSEC comment website at <u>https://comments.efsec.wa.gov</u>, via email at <u>comments@efsec.wa.gov</u> or in writing at the below address within 30 days from last date of publication of this notice.

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