## **State of Washington**

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council Cypress Creek Renewables - High Top & Ostrea Solar Project EFSEC Docket No. EF-220212

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENT ON CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP) CRITERIA

January 11, 2023 5 PM Virtual Meeting

## **Description of Proposal:**

On April 7, 2022, the Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) received an Application for Site Certification (ASC) from Cypress Creek Renewables, LLC for two 80 megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic (PV) generation facilities with battery storage located in unincorporated Yakima County, Washington: the High Top Project and the Ostrea Project (together referred to as Projects). The ASC and other materials are posted on the EFSEC website: <a href="https://www.efsec.wa.gov/energy-facilities/high-top-and-ostrea-solar-project">https://www.efsec.wa.gov/energy-facilities/high-top-and-ostrea-solar-project</a>.

#### What is EFSEC is proposing to do?

EFSEC is holding a public meeting to receive public comment on conditions to be included in a draft site certification agreement for the Project to:

- (a) Comply with any development standard or criteria for approval set forth in the Yakima County Unified Development Code, YCC Title 19;
- (b) Ensure compatibility of the development with existing neighboring land uses; assure consistency with the intent and character of the Agricultural Zoning District;
- (c) Ensure that the structures and areas proposed are surfaced, arranged and screened in such a manner that they are compatible with and not detrimental to existing or reasonable expected future development of the neighborhood, or resource uses, consistent with the Comprehensive Plan; and
- (d) Achieve and further the intent, goals, objectives, and policies of the Yakima County Comprehensive Plan and Unified Development Code.

At this meeting, the Applicant and EFSEC staff will make presentations. The public will then have an opportunity to provide comment for the Council's consideration.

# How can you review the proposal documents?

Copies of the ASC and other materials are available at:

- https://www.efsec.wa.gov/energy-facilities/high-top-and-ostrea-solar-project.
- EFSEC 621 Woodland Square Loop PO Box 43172 Lacey, WA 98503-3172

#### How can you provide public comment?

You may comment on the proposal from 5:00 - 7:00 pm Wednesday, January 11, 2023 on the EFSEC website at <a href="https://comments.efsec.wa.gov">https://comments.efsec.wa.gov</a>, or in writing to the EFSEC office (see address above). Public comment will also be accepted during the public meeting.

# **Meeting Location**

The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, from 5:00pm – 7:00pm or last speaker, whichever comes first. This meeting is being held remotely. You may attend the meeting via Microsoft Teams online or via phone at:

- Microsoft Teams Meeting link
- +1 564-999-2000 Conference ID: 392270074#

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 should please notify EFSEC by phone at (360) 664-1345 or email at efsec@efsec.wa.gov before 5:00pm on January 11, 2023.

For more information about the project, contact Amí Hafkemeyer at (360) 664-1305 or ami.hafkemeyer@efsec.wa.gov.

To request ADA accommodation or materials in a format for the visually impaired, contact the EFSEC office at (360) 664-1345.