State of Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council

Carriger Solar Project EFSEC Docket No. EF-230001

NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL PUBLIC MEETING April 25, 2023 4:30 PM

Description of Proposal: On February 10, 2023, the Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) received an Application for Site Certification (ASC) from Cypress Creek Renewables, LLC for a 160-megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic (PV) generation facility with battery storage located in unincorporated Klickitat County, Washington. The ASC and other materials are posted on the EFSEC website: <u>https://www.efsec.wa.gov/energy-facilities/carrigersolar</u>.

Proponent: Cypress Creek Renewables, LLC 3402 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, CA 90405.

Open house: April 25, 2023 4:30pm – 5:30pm: The Applicant and EFSEC staff will be available to answer questions about the Project and the EFSEC review process.

Informational Public Meeting: April 25, 2023, 5:30 – 7 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, EFSEC Staff and the Applicant will introduce themselves and the 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. The Applicant and EFSEC staff will then make presentations. Following the presentations, the public will be invited to provide comments. Speakers will have limited minutes to provide comment, and any additional comments will be directed to be submitted online or postal mail. Duration of speaking time will be announced at the meeting, depending on the number of speakers signed up, to allow as many commenters as possible.

Public Comment: Public Comment will be accepted during the Public Information Meeting. If you are unable to attend these meetings, please send your comments in writing to <u>comments@efsec.wa.gov</u> or at the EFSEC office mailing address below. An online database will also be open during the meeting at <u>https://comments.efsec.wa.gov/</u> for submission of written comments.

Meeting Location: The Public Information Meeting will be held partially in person AND virtually via Microsoft Teams.

You may attend the meeting in person at: Goldendale Grange Hall 228 East Darland Drive Goldendale, WA 98620

Additional information about the venue such as maps and directions will be available on our website closer to the meeting date: <u>https://www.efsec.wa.gov/energy-facilities/carriger-solar</u>

Please review EFSEC's public meeting rules on our website: <u>https://www.efsec.wa.gov/about-efsec/public-meeting-ground-rules</u>

You may attend the meeting via Microsoft Teams online or via phone at:

- <u>https://bit.ly/CarrigerInfoMtg</u>
- Phone number +1 564-999-2000 Conference ID: 99183361#

To facilitate these remote meetings, EFSEC would like to invite speakers to sign up ahead of the meeting. Anyone wishing to speak during the Public Information Meeting, please notify EFSEC by phone at (360) 664-1345 or email at <u>efsec@efsec.wa.gov</u> before 5:00 pm on April 25, 2023.

State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Lead Agency: EFSEC

SEPA Threshold Determination: After EFSEC determines the ASC is complete, the SEPA responsible official (EFSEC Director) will make a threshold determination. This requirement is to determine whether an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required prior to considering a recommendation for site certification. 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) or mitigated determination of non-significance (MDNS) may be issued if the SEPA responsible official if they determine there will be no probable significant adverse environmental impacts or impacts identified can be mitigated. An EIS is not required if a DNS or MDNS is issued.

For information regarding the Project please contact Joanne Snarski, EFSEC Siting Specialist at (360) 485-1675. 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 <u>efsec@efsec.wa.gov</u>.

NOTE: This is the last notice you will receive automatically. If you wish to continue receiving notices for this project, please visit our website and sign up for the Carriger Solar mailing list at the bottom of the project webpage: <u>https://www.efsec.wa.gov/energy-facilities/carriger-solar</u>

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