## The People of Klickitat County

## Carriger Solar Project EFSEC Docket No. EF-230001

## PRELIMINARY SITE STUDY GUIDED TOUR

April 25, 2023 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Description: The People of Klickitat County are providing a Preliminary Site Study Guided Tour for all EFSEC Council, all EFSEC members and any other agency land use consistency decision maker regarding the Carriger Solar Project, EFSEC Docket No. EF-230001.

The People of Klickitat find it essential for all land use consistency decision makers to physically go view the land the Carriger Solar Project is proposing to be converted into large scale solar.

In the EFSEC Notice of Informational Public Meeting it states: *SEPA Threshold Determination:* The threshold determination will be made based on the <u>probable project impacts identified</u> in the information presented in the ASC. The People of Klickitat County may be able to physically point out some "probable project impacts".

Noted in EFSEC's Certification Process, under Preliminary (Potential) Site Study states, "Conducting a Potential Site Study can help determine if there are any environmental, social, or regulatory "hurdles" that cannot be overcome, rendering the project unsuitable." Also, "In conducting the study, the Council cooperates with:

- Cities, county or counties in which the potential site is located
- Federal, state, or local governmental agency that might be requested to comment upon the potential site
- Municipal or <u>public corporations having an interest in the matter</u>. The Council holds open meetings to receive public input on issues that should be addressed in the application.

We the People of Klickitat County view ourselves as the public having great interest in this matter. We feel the Preliminary Site Study should not be a 'potential' option but rather an necessity in land use consistency decision making.

Stated in RCW <u>43.21C.030(a)</u> Utilize a systematic, interdisciplinary approach which will insure the integrated use of the natural and social sciences and the environmental design arts in planning and in decision making which may have an impact on the environment;

The People of Klickitat County find that EFSEC SEPA Threshold Determination decision makers should be using a systematic, <u>interdisciplinary</u> approach by participating in the Preliminary Site Study Guided Tour, April 25, 2023.

We the People of Klickitat County formally request that the EFSEC and all other decision makers to put "boots to the ground" and see the land first hand prior to making any SEPA Threshold Decisions regarding the Carriger Solar Project.

## **Meeting Location:**

Goldendale Grange Hall 228 East Darland Drive Goldendale, WA 98620

The locally guided Preliminary Site Study Guided Tour will leave the Goldendale Grange Hall at 2:30 PM. EFSEC council and others can car pool or drive independently following a local guide car that will be stopping at specific proposed lands for the Carriger Solar Project. We have obtained all permissions necessary to enter private properties if necessary.

For additional information or questions regarding the Carriger Solar Project Preliminary Site Study Guided Tour, please contact either person:

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We would greatly appreciate receiving a response from EFSEC prior to April 25, 2023 if there will be any one from EFSEC council, members or agency decision makers attending our offered Preliminary Site Study Guided Tour.

Thank you in advance, The People of Klickitat County