CLEAN ENERGY SITING COUNCIL SUMMARY

Date: October 9, 2024, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Council Co-leads:
Ecology: Joenne McGerr, Diane Butorac, Brenden McFarland, Abbey Wellemeyer, Alex Shin
Commerce: Michael Furze, Nora Hawkins, Dan Siemann, Glenn Blackmon
Council members: *DAHP:* Allyson Brooks; DFW: Ben Blank, Michael Garrity; DNR*:* Natalie Waid, James Woodward; *EFSEC:* Stewart Henderson, Lisa McLean, Sonia Bumpus; *EJ Council:* Christy Hoff; *GOV:* Becky Kelley; *ORIA:* Dan McConnon; *UTC:* Payton Swinford, Heather Moline; *WSDA:* Julia Terlinchamp; *WSDOT:* Gretchen Coker, Ahmer Nizam

MEETING SUMMARY

Transmission and BESS presentations
Council members heard presentations about transmission from the Department of Commerce and EFSEC. Participants expressed interest in learning more about rate recovery and incentives for Grid Enhancing Technologies (GETs) and Advanced Transmission Technologies (ATTs).

The Department of Commerce provided presentations to the council that included background and context on Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) in Washington state and planning efforts to address BESS safety concerns.

Legislate updates
The council's annual legislative report is likely to be posted to the council's website this week. Potential legislative session topics were discussed.

Council Workplan
A draft of upcoming meeting topics through January was presented for discussion. Another dozen potential topics are available to be calendared as needed. The council is meeting in-person in January and is planning a half-day workshop in May.

Agency updates
Ecology released draft PEISs for solar and onshore wind, looking forward to public meetings the week of October 14th. EFSEC and DOH are expecting to release an initial report from the Fusion Energy Workgroup in the coming weeks.

Next steps and action items

ACTION ITEMS			
Responsible	**Action**	**Start Date**	**Due Date**