

Third Addendum to Klickitat County Energy Overlay Zone Final Environmental Impact Statement

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Purpose: This Addendum adds the Western EcoSystems Technology, Inc. (WEST) Avian, Bat and Habitat Cumulative Impacts Associated with Wind Energy Development in the Columbia Plateau Ecoregion of Eastern Washington and Oregon (May 18, 2011) report (Report), to the Klickitat County Energy Overlay Zone Environmental Impact Statement (September 2004; Addendum December 2008; February, 2010). The WEST Report assesses cumulative impacts of wind development on avian and bat populations not only in Klickitat County, but throughout the Columbia Plateau Ecoregion. The WEST Report was updated in 2010 and again this year. This Third Addendum incorporates the updated WEST Report by reference. It is the County Planning Department's intent that the EOZ EIS and Addendum be considered in reviewing wind development applications.

Environmental Analysis: The Report assesses avian, bat and habitat cumulative impacts associated with wind energy development in the Columbia Plateau Ecoregion of Eastern Washington and Oregon (CPE). WEST based its impact analysis on planned and constructed projects. As of December 14, 2010, there were 4,059 MW of installed wind energy in Washington and Oregon, most of which is within the CPE. For purposes of the Report, WEST assumed that 6700 MW of wind power would be present in the CPE. This figure was selected for environmental review purposes, and likely over-estimates actual construction. Northwest Power and Conservation Council projects a lower level of development. Because not all projects permitted are built, this lower figure is consistent with the County's past experience.

Environmental Document Supplemented: Since EOZ FEIS issuance, the County has issued five EIS's for certain wind development projects within the County. The five EIS's are incorporated by reference into this Addendum. They include:

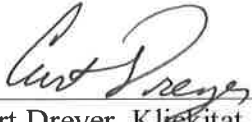
- Windy Point II Wind Energy Project EIS (March – 2009)
- Harvest Wind Project EIS (March - 2009)
- Imrie Wind Project EIS (June – 2009)
- Juniper Canyon Project EIS (January - 2010; Revised EIS, September -2010)
- School Section Project EIS (September - 2010)

These five projects are located in south Klickitat County, east of SR-97. Windy Point II is a 130 megawatt project southeast of Goldendale and just east of SR-97. Harvest Wind is a 100 megawatt project located to the east – approximately 21 miles east of Goldendale. The Imrie Wind Project (also known as Goodnoe II) is a 34 megawatt project located roughly between the two other projects. Juniper Canyon is a 252 megawatt project located south of Bickleton. School Section is a 20 megawatt project located west of Juniper Canyon project. The five EIS's (including both the Draft and Final EIS

documents) were all issued in 2009 and 2010. They were not appealed and are on file with the Klickitat County Planning Department at the address below.

Since EOZ EIS issuance, in addition to wind energy development in the County, there has been development in other areas of the state, including Kittitas County. An EIS was issued in February 2007 for the Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project and upheld by the Washington State Supreme Court.¹ The Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project EIS is incorporated here by reference and is on file with the Klickitat County Planning Department at the address below.

This Third Addendum is prepared under the State Environmental Policy Act, Chapter 43.21C RCW (SEPA). The Third Addendum supplements the EOZ EIS and incorporates the additional review which has occurred since EOZ EIS issuance.



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¹ *Residents Opposed To Kittitas Turbines v State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council*, 165 Wn.2d 275, 197 P.3d 1153 (2008).