

ORDER NO. 25-324

ENTERED Aug 20 2025

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1930

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
OREGON,

Community Solar Program
Implementation.

ORDER

DISPOSITION: STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED

At its public meeting on August 19, 2025, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon adopted Staff's recommendation in this matter. The Staff Report with the recommendation is attached as Appendix A.

BY THE COMMISSION:



Alison Lackey
Chief Administrative Law Judge



A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order under ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-001-0720. A copy of the request must also be served on each party to the proceedings as provided in OAR 860-001-0180(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Circuit Court for Marion County in compliance with ORS 183.484.

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON
STAFF REPORT
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: August 19, 2025**

REGULAR _____ **CONSENT** X **EFFECTIVE DATE** August 20, 2025

DATE: August 11, 2025

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Kiran Ayub

THROUGH: JP Batmale and Sarah Hall **SIGNED**

SUBJECT: OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION STAFF:
(Docket No. UM 1930)
Requesting Certification of Perrydale Solar project in the Community Solar Program.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Certify the Perrydale project in the Community Solar Program.

DISCUSSION:

Issue

Whether the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) should certify the Perrydale project in the Community Solar Program.

Applicable Rule or Law

Section 22 of Senate Bill 1547, codified in ORS 757.386, directs the Commission to establish a Community Solar Program (Program or CSP).

On June 29, 2017, the Commission adopted formal rules for the Program under OAR Division 88 of Chapter 860. OAR 860-088-0050 details the requirements for project Certification.

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Section 5.2 of the CSP Program Implementation Manual (PIM) outlines the information and documentation that projects must submit to the CSP Program Administrator (PA) as part of the Certification application.

Analysis

Background

A Project Manager (PM) registered with CSP may submit applications for project Certification to the PA. As required by OAR 860-088-0050(3), the PA reviews applications for compliance with Program requirements and recommends projects for Certification by the Commission. Certification is an important stage gate for CSP projects. Receiving Certification means that the project meets all Program requirements and can proceed to commercial operation.

The PA recently received a Certification application from the following project. After reviewing the application and supporting documentation provided by the PM, the PA has recommended that the Commission certify the project in the Program. See the Certification Recommendation Form in Attachment A.

Recommended Project

Project Name	Name of Project Manager	Utility Territory	Project Size (kW-AC)	Attachment #
Perrydale Solar	Perrydale Solar, LLC	Pacific Power	999.90	Attachment A

Perrydale Solar

Perrydale Solar is a 999.99 kW-AC project located in Dallas, Oregon, in Polk County. Perrydale Solar LLC is controlled by Evergreen Renewables. Outreach and customer management are conducted by Common Energy, LLC.

Perrydale Solar project was Pre-Certified on April 15, 2022. On July 3, 2022, the PA used its delegated authority to recommend a PM transfer from Sulus Solar to Perrydale Solar, LLC, controlled by Evergreen Renewables.¹

¹ See Order No. 24-364 for the Commission's decision to grant the PA with delegated authority, which was first initially granted for twenty-four months on January 25, 2022, in Order No. 22-019, <https://apps.puc.state.or.us/orders/2024ords/24-364.pdf>.

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On January 5, 2024, the PA again used its delegated authority to recommend a ten-month extension to the project's Certification deadline from October 15, 2023 to August 5, 2024. The PM cited interconnection delays pushing back the commercial operation date.

On October 23, 2024, the PA again used its delegated authority to recommend a four-month extension to the project's Certification deadline from August 5, 2024 to December 18, 2024. The PM cited that additional time was required due to utility interconnection delays related to lead times. The PM also informed the PA that they were intentionally not meeting Certification subscription requirements because of their concern that the commercial operation date (COD) would be delayed further, and subscribers would have to wait to receive their benefits.

On March 29, 2025, the PA again used its delegated authority to recommend a six-month extension to the project's Certification deadline from December 18, 2024 to June 19, 2025. The PM cited interconnection delays that required an extension to ensure the COD is within six months of Certification, to execute a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA), and to complete project enrollment capacity requirements, including the low-income enrollment capacity requirement.

The PM submitted the necessary Certification paperwork to the PA on June 18, 2025, prior to the project's Certification deadline of June 19, 2025. The PA completed its review on July 14, 2025, and recommends Certification in CSP. While this timeline has led Staff to recommend the Commission certify the project after its Certification deadline, Staff and the PA have no concerns certifying the project at this time. The Program considers that projects submitting Certification applications to the PA by the deadline have met the deadline, while the PA and Staff may require additional time to review applications for recommendation to the Commission.

Conclusion

Staff has discussed the project applications with the PA and reviewed CSP requirements. Staff supports the PA's recommendation that the Commission approve Certification of Perrydale Solar project in the Program.

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Certify the Perrydale project in the Community Solar Program.

Project Certification Review and Recommendation

The Oregon Community Solar Program Administrator (PA) has reviewed the certification request of the project described below and recommends that the project be Certified.

Project Information

Project ID: PP-2020-88

Project Name: Perrydale Solar

Project Manager: Perrydale Solar LLC

Subscription Manager: Common Energy LLC

Utility Service Area: PAC

Project Site Address: Perrydale Road, Dallas, OR 97338

Project Size (kW-AC): 999.90

Carveout-eligible: No

Date of Pre-Certification: 04/15/2022

Expected Commercial Operations Date: 8/15/2025

Project Description

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Review Summary

Date Review Completed: 7/14/2025

Project Satisfies all Certification Requirements?: Yes

PA Recommendation: Approve

Review Notes

No Review Notes.

Attachments Included

No Attachments.