



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 6, 2026

SUBJECT: Extension Deadline Request for Mt. Bachelor's CREP Project

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval for the County to submit a performance agreement extension request to the Oregon Department of Energy, for the Community Renewable Energy Program Grant, on behalf of Mt. Bachelor.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Deschutes County, on behalf of Mt. Bachelor, was awarded a \$1 million Community Renewable Energy Program (CREP) grant from the Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE). The grant money is for construction of a biomass facility, to be located at Mt. Bachelor Ski Resort.

The project has made significant progress and is substantially complete; however, final commissioning and start-up have been delayed beyond the original project deadline (April 20, 2026) due to factors outside of Deschutes County's and Mt. Bachelor's (project partner) control, including a significant delay in approval of the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Air Contamination Discharge Permit (ACDP) in combination with USFS Restrictions and seasonality constraints.

Mt. Bachelor is requesting the County submit a deadline extension to ODOE for a new project completion date of December 1, 2026.

Mt. Bachelor has completed a detailed project extension request report to be submitted pending BOCC approval.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

No budget impacts

ATTENDANCE:

Jen Patterson, Strategic Initiatives Manager