

SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
NOTICE OF DECISION
File # PL24-0171

Notice is hereby given that on 24 June 2024, Skagit County Planning and Development Services has **APPROVED** the Administrative Interpretation (AOI) requested #PL24-0171 submitted by Toyer Strategy Advisors on behalf of Cloudbreak Energy Washington LLC. The request sought to acknowledge that ‘net metering systems has a limited application to individual residential uses, and to determine that a solar energy facility that produces electric energy to provide power supply in support of baseloads is either a minor or major utility development. The request followed an enquiry on the potential for a 15.75 acre solar energy generation facility on the land at P22873, which is located within the Agricultural-Natural Resource Lands zoning/comprehensive plan designated areas as indicated in the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan and associated maps adopted 5 July 2016, and as therefore amended.

This AOI determination has found that:

- A net metering system is an accessory use and is not limited to only be accessory to a residential use
- A solar energy generation facility, as contemplated in the application, would be classified as a “Major Utility Development”.
- Any future application for a solar energy generation facility will be reviewed on its own merits and any future classification of solar energy generation facilities will be consistent with the Code, the AOI, and any other relevant laws and regulations.

The proposed project is located within a portion of Section 28, Township 34, Range 3 East, W.M., situated within Skagit County, Washington (Parcel 22873)

Pursuant to Skagit County Code 14.06.200, the Notice of Decision shall be forwarded to parties of record, the applicant, and other applicable parties of interest.

The applicant or a party of record may appeal the decision of the Administrative Official to the Skagit County Hearing Examiner pursuant to the provisions of SCC 14.06.040(3)(d) and SCC 14.06.110(7). An appeal must submit the appeal form and appeal fees to Planning and Development Services within 14 calendar days of the date the Notice of Decision was issued.

APPEALS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 9 JULY 2024

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