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ENERGY

# Oregon Solar + Storage Rebate Program 2023 Administrative Rule Proposals



# OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Leading Oregon to a safe, equitable, clean, and sustainable energy future.

## Our Mission

The Oregon Department of Energy helps Oregonians make informed decisions and maintain a resilient and affordable energy system. We advance solutions to shape an equitable clean energy transition, protect the environment and public health, and responsibly balance energy needs and impacts for current and future generations.

## What We Do

On behalf of Oregonians across the state, the Oregon Department of Energy achieves its mission by providing:

- A Central Repository of Energy Data, Information, and Analysis
- A Venue for Problem-Solving Oregon's Energy Challenges
- Energy Education and Technical Assistance
- Regulation and Oversight
- Energy Programs and Activities

# Agenda

- Welcome & logistics
- Program Outline
- Legislative Session Update
- Rule Process
- Proposed Changes to the Rules
- Questions and Comments



# HOW THIS MEETING WILL BE FACILITATED

## Panelists and Attendees

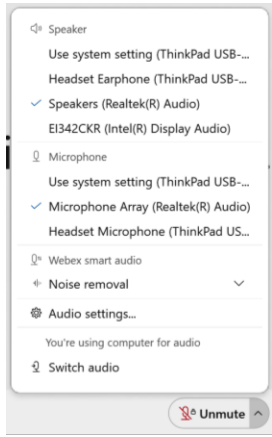
- “Panelists” – ODOE Staff
- “Attendees” – All the participants

**Community Agreements:** designed to foster inclusive and respectful meeting

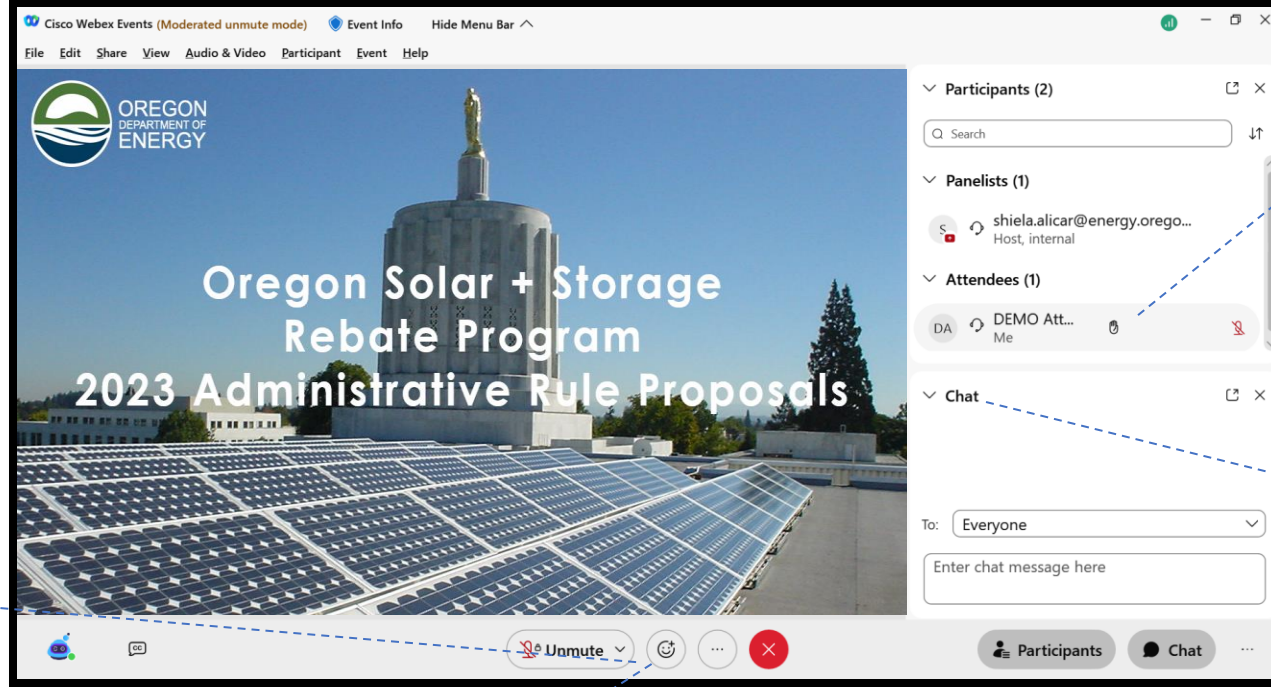
- Be present and ready to learn
- Be respectful to others
- Learning happens outside of our comfort zones
- Listen to learn and not to respond
- Thank you for being flexible and patient around any technology needs or changes
- If you need something at this meeting, please ask for it!
  - Contact **Patricia Phillips** in the chat

# USING WEBEX

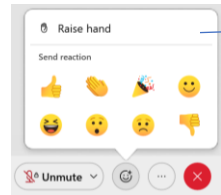
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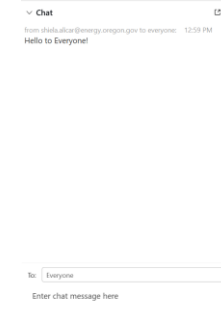
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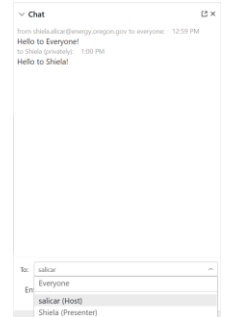


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You can send a private message to the Host or Presenter (or all Panelists when there is a Panel).



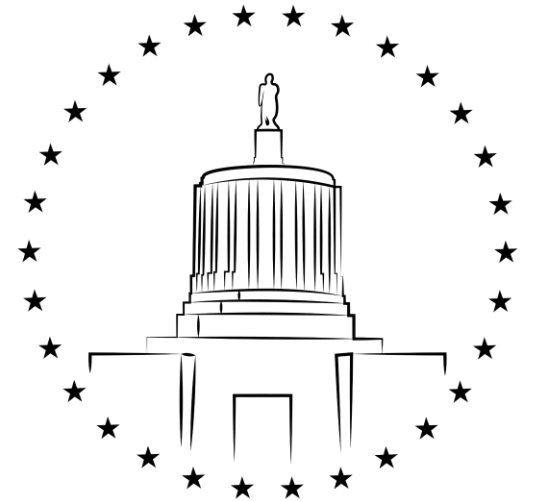
# PROGRAM OUTLINE

- The program issues rebates for Oregonians installing **solar or solar and paired storage**.
- Contractors apply for the rebate on **behalf of their customer**.
- Rebates are **paid to the ODOE-approved contractor** who installs the system.
- The **rebate amount is passed on** to the residential customer or Low-Income Service provider as savings on the net cost of the system.
- The solar and storage project must be installed on **real property in Oregon** to qualify.

# OREGON SOLAR + STORAGE REBATE PROGRAM

## 2023 Legislative Session

- Extension of the program to January 2, 2029
- \$10 million additional funds
- Change to definition of ‘paired solar and storage system’



# RULE PROCESS

- Stakeholder consultation
- File draft rules with Secretary of State
- Comment period
- Review
- File final rules with the Secretary of State
- Rule effective





# Proposed Rule Amendments

## Change definition of “Paired solar and storage system”

- Align rules with changed definition of “Paired solar and storage system”
- One or more of the following options:
  - A. Split payment of solar and storage rebates
  - B. Extend reservation
  - C. Increase cap on non-LMI reservations per contractor



# PROPOSED RULE AMENDMENTS

## Increase # of LMI reservations per contractor

- Increase the number of LMI residential customer or LISP reservations a contractor can have at a time from 20 to 25.

## Extend reservation limit

- Increase the amount of time a reservation for a low-income service provider can be extended by an additional 6 months.

## Reduce non-LMI rate

- Reduce the residential rebate rate for customers, not eligible for a utility incentive & not-LMI to \$0.30 per watt DC from \$0.50 per watt DC.

# Questions/Comments

Are there any questions, comments, or additional suggestions?

You can also provide written comments by **Friday October 6, 2023**.

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