Oregon Department of ENERGY

Solar + Storage Rebate Program

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Program Objectives

- Incentivize the purchase and installation of solar electric systems and paired solar and storage systems
- Reduce the upfront cost to the customer while supporting Oregon's installer industry
- Expand access to renewable energy for low-and moderate-income Oregonians





Program Outcomes

- \$27 million appropriated to this program since 2019
- As of April 3, 2025:
 - 6,940 projects either received or reserved rebates
 - Projects supported in 34 Oregon counties
 - Leveraging \$275 million in total project costs





Energy Storage

- Energy storage systems can provide multiple benefits to Oregonians:
 - improve energy resilience during power outages
 - reduce use of fossil fuel generators
 - potentially provide services to the grid
- More than 20,000 residential solar installations in Oregon without battery storage
- Battery storage is expensive to add to a home and unlike solar, batteries do not currently provide any payback in the form of savings on energy bills



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- Modifies program to provide rebates for battery storage systems coupled with existing solar on residences and low-income service provider properties
- Adds the ability for ODOE to adopt, by rule, provisions for consumer protection







Thank You! Questions?

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