



CHELAN COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER

Chelan County Administration Building, Meeting Room 1,
400 Douglas Street, Wenatchee, WA 98801.

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October 1st, 2025 at 9:00 A.M.

Chelan County Hearing Examiner: Andrew Kottkamp

Chelan County Staff: Jessica Thompson, Susan Dretke, Deanna Walter, Chris Pedersen

Public/Agencies present: Lee, Warren Kinninger, Kynaston(cccd), Lanie Heikel, JS Just Listening, Betsy Steele, David Pritchard, Breanne H., Rhiana Herman, Lee Bradley, Brian, Ann's Iphone, Liberty Quihuis, Jim Huffman, Maddy T, Bryton Rodgers, Marcus Foster, Teresa Boushay, David, Aaron Fahey, Tucker Havekost Chelan pud, Jason, Devin Mussell

AGENDA:

I. CALL TO ORDER

Hearing Examiner Kottkamp called the Hearing to order at 9:00 AM. No objections were given to Mr. Kottkamp running today's hearing. Instruction was given to attendees on how the hearing is conducted and how to participate, testify, and appeal a decision.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

CUP 25-201 Helion One, LLC - An application for a Conditional Use Permit has been submitted for the construction of a High Impact Utility Facility for the generation of power through fusion. The subject property is located within the Rural Industrial zoning district. 7588 Malaga Alcoa Hwy., Malaga, WA 98828 and is identified by Assessor's Parcel number: 21-22-05-000-025.

Mr. Kottkamp discussed the application details and entered the staff report, application materials, site plans, public comments, and the entire planning staff file into record.

Chelan County Planner Susan Dretke presents the application; the proposed project meets the Chelan County code criteria for approval.

Sworn in to testify was Tom Bugert, the agent representing the applicant and owner of the property. Mr. Bugert had no disagreements with the staff report but did request a change to condition 8.8 clarifying a broad scope license.

Sworn in to testify was Michael Hua, the agent representing the applicant. Mr. Hua provided clarification on the reasons for the licensing they will be acquiring.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY:

1. Betsy Steele
2. Mckane Lee
3. Ann Congdon

Planner Susan Dretke agreed to the corrections suggested by Helion agents.

Agent Michael Hua provided further clarification on the difference between an industrial license vs broad scope license.

With nothing further from the public, agent, or staff. Mr. Kottkamp closes the record and will have a written decision within 10 working days.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing Examiner Kottkamp adjourned the October 1, 2025 meeting.