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# What's Happening With Offshore Wind Off New Jersey?

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# Presentation Outline

- Overview of Offshore Wind
- Offshore Wind and Fisheries Interactions
- Questions & Answers



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### ***What's Happening With Offshore Wind Off New Jersey?***

**Presenter:**  
**Dr. Douglas Zemeckis**  
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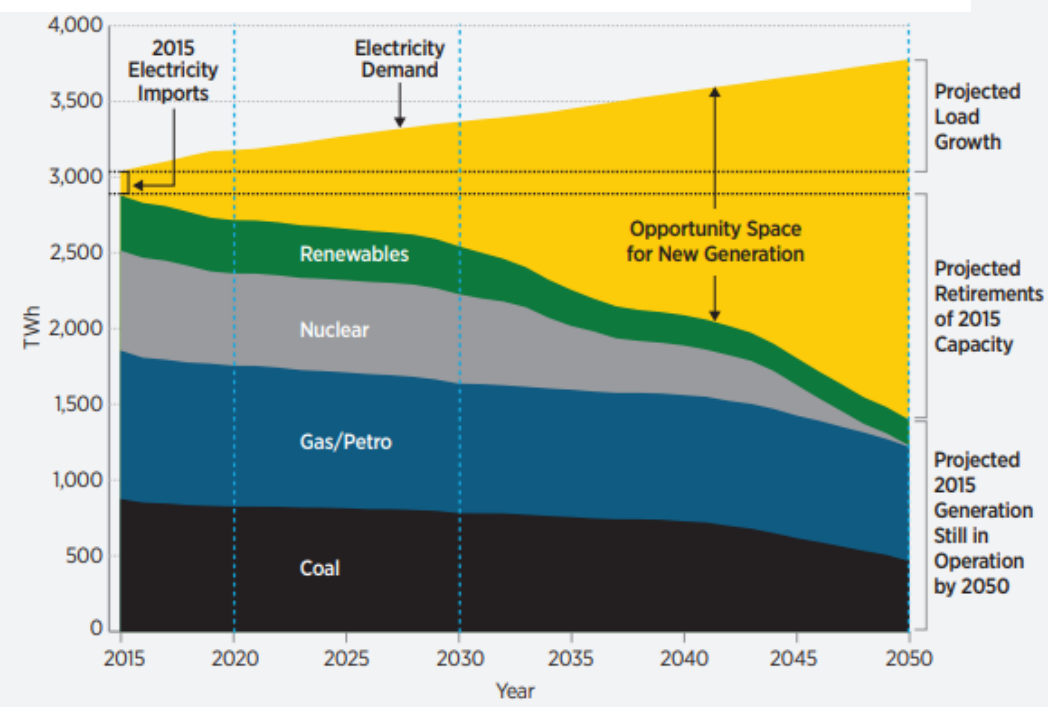
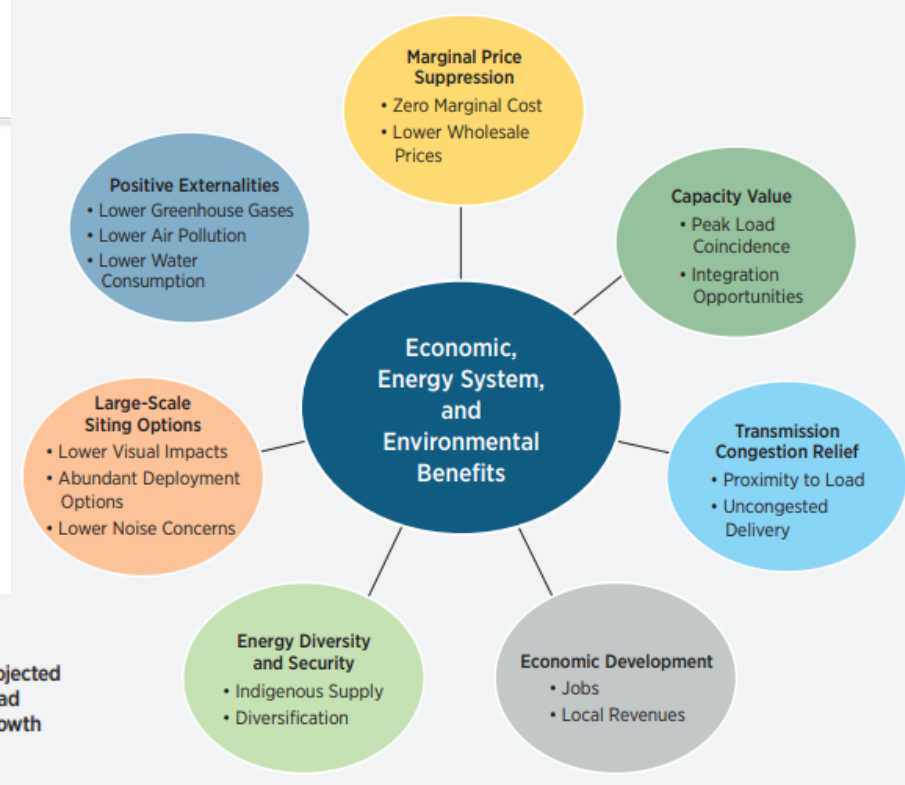
This presentation will provide an overview of offshore wind energy development off the coast of New Jersey, including information about windfarms in different locations off our coast. An emphasis will be placed on the potential impacts on fisheries and fisheries resources, including ongoing research to better understand and prepare for these impacts. Websites and other educational resources where attendees can learn more will also be provided throughout the presentation.



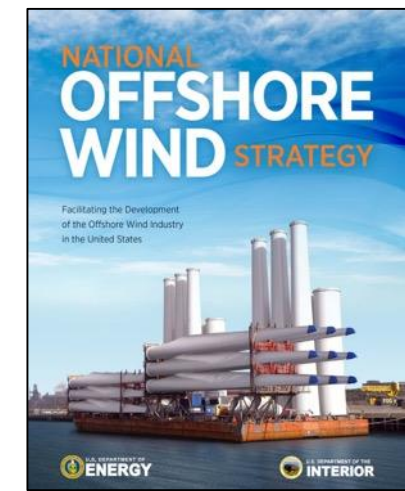
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**Figure 2.6.** Scheduled and age-based retirements and load growth create opportunity for new offshore wind generation in coastal regions [22]



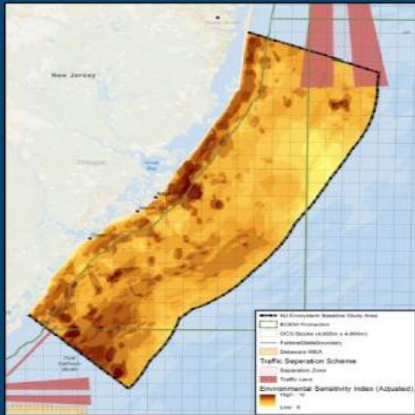


## Planning & Analysis

## Leasing

## Site Assessment

## Construction & Operations



### [ Planning & Analysis ]

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### [ Construction & Operations ]

Initiate  
Leasing Process  
(RFI/Call)



Area Identification  
Wind Energy Areas

Publish  
Leasing Notices

0 — ~1/2

0 — <1/2

NEPA/Environmental Reviews

Lease  
Granted



Submit SAP



Pre-survey  
Meetings/Plan

0 — 1

Site Assessment & Surveys  
(maximum timeframe)



0 — <5

BOEM Deems COP  
Complete & Sufficient



BOEM  
Approves COP



BOEM Environmental  
& Technical Reviews



0 — 2



Installation

Installation



Auction



BOEM Reviews &  
Approves SAP





Submit COP  
(with Project Design Envelope – optional)





Submit Design &  
Installation Plans



  
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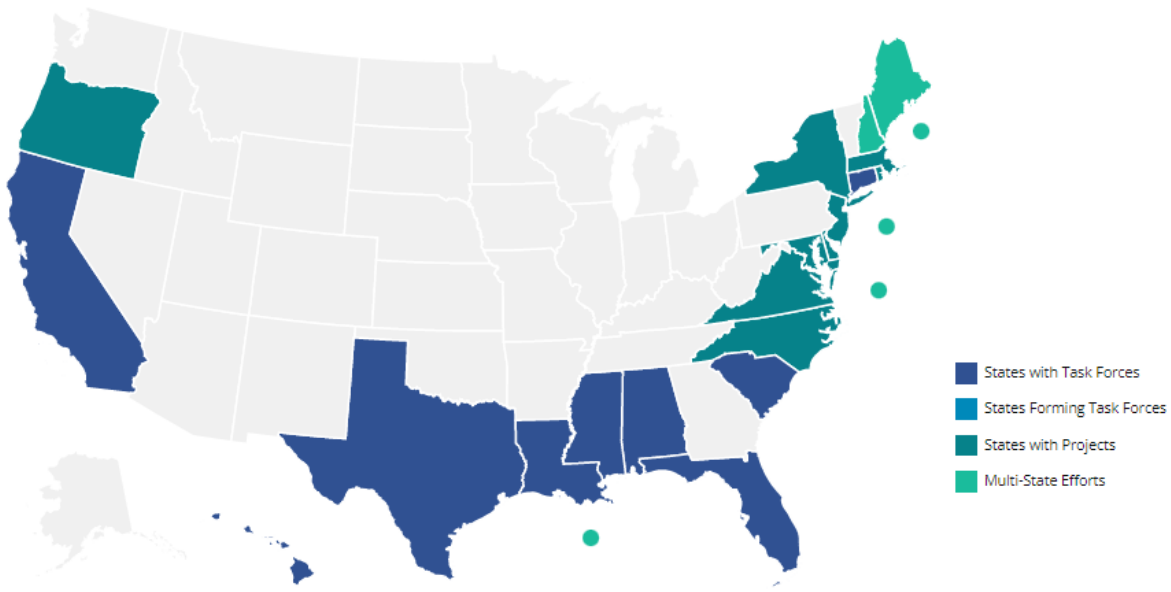
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## State Activities

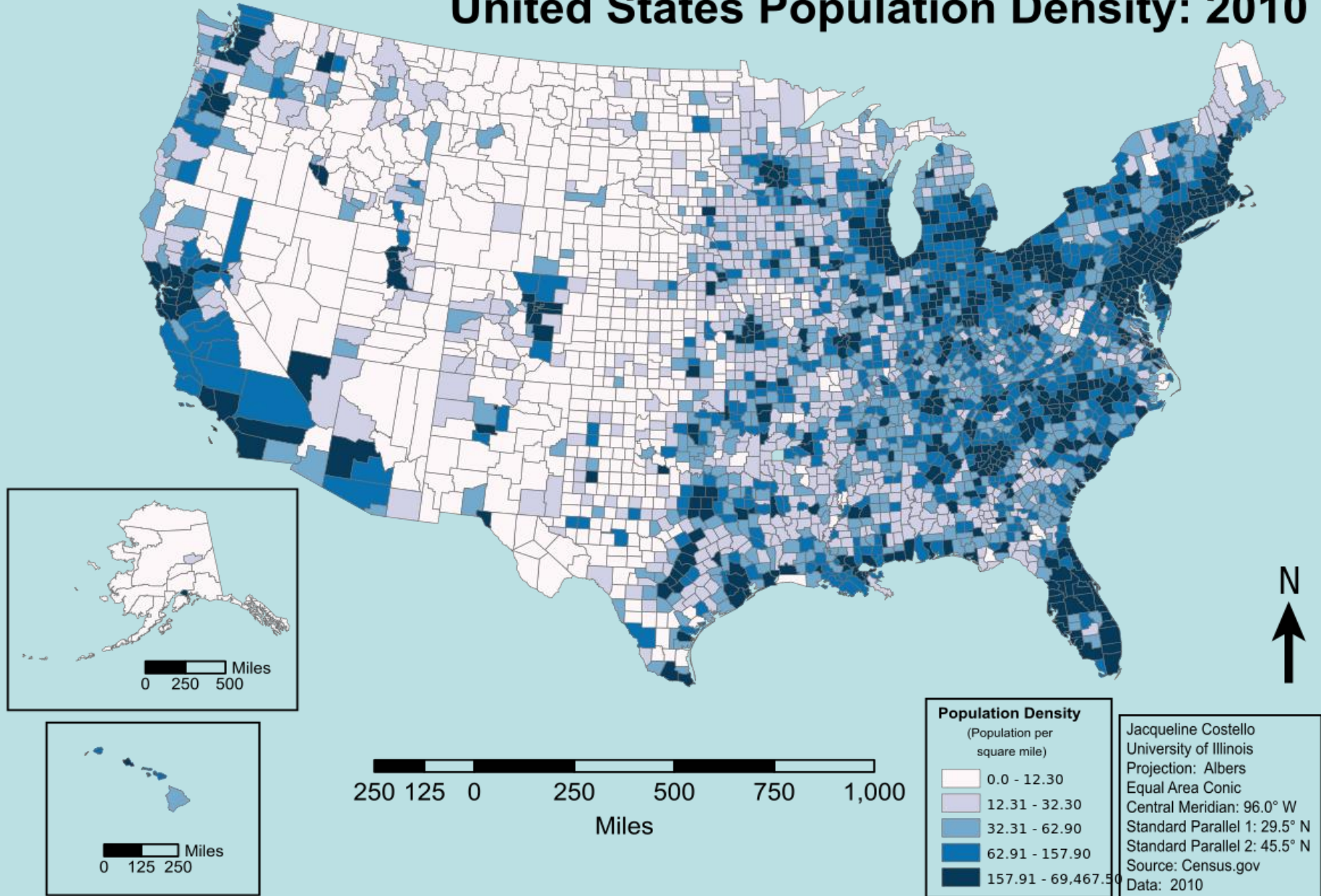
BOEM has seen very strong interest in offshore renewable energy projects on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). BOEM is working closely with several states regarding offshore energy development and is in the process of coordinating federal-state task forces in certain coastal states. A summary of the status of activity in the different states can be found below.



- States with Task Forces
- States Forming Task Forces
- States with Projects
- Multi-State Efforts

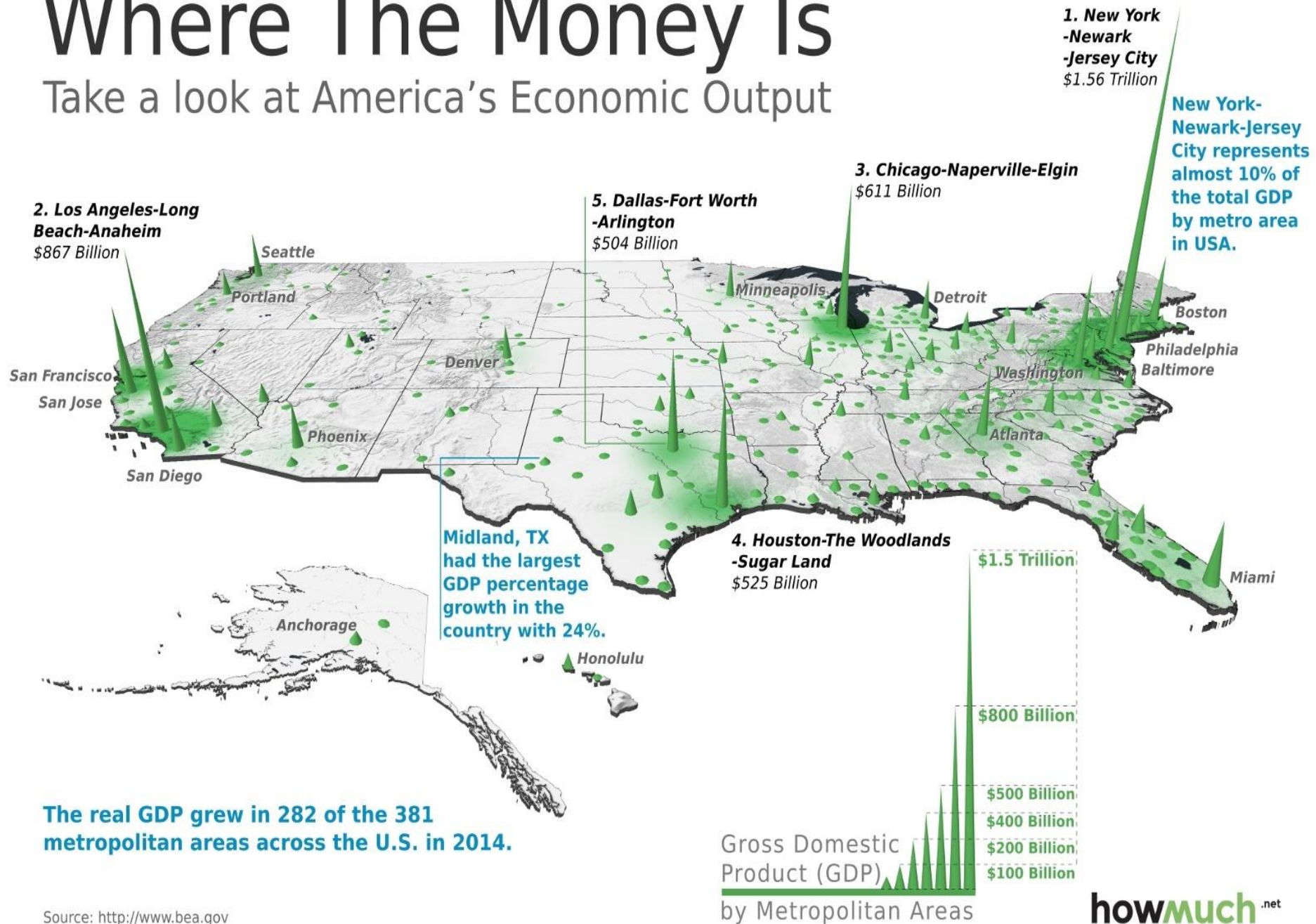
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# United States Population Density: 2010

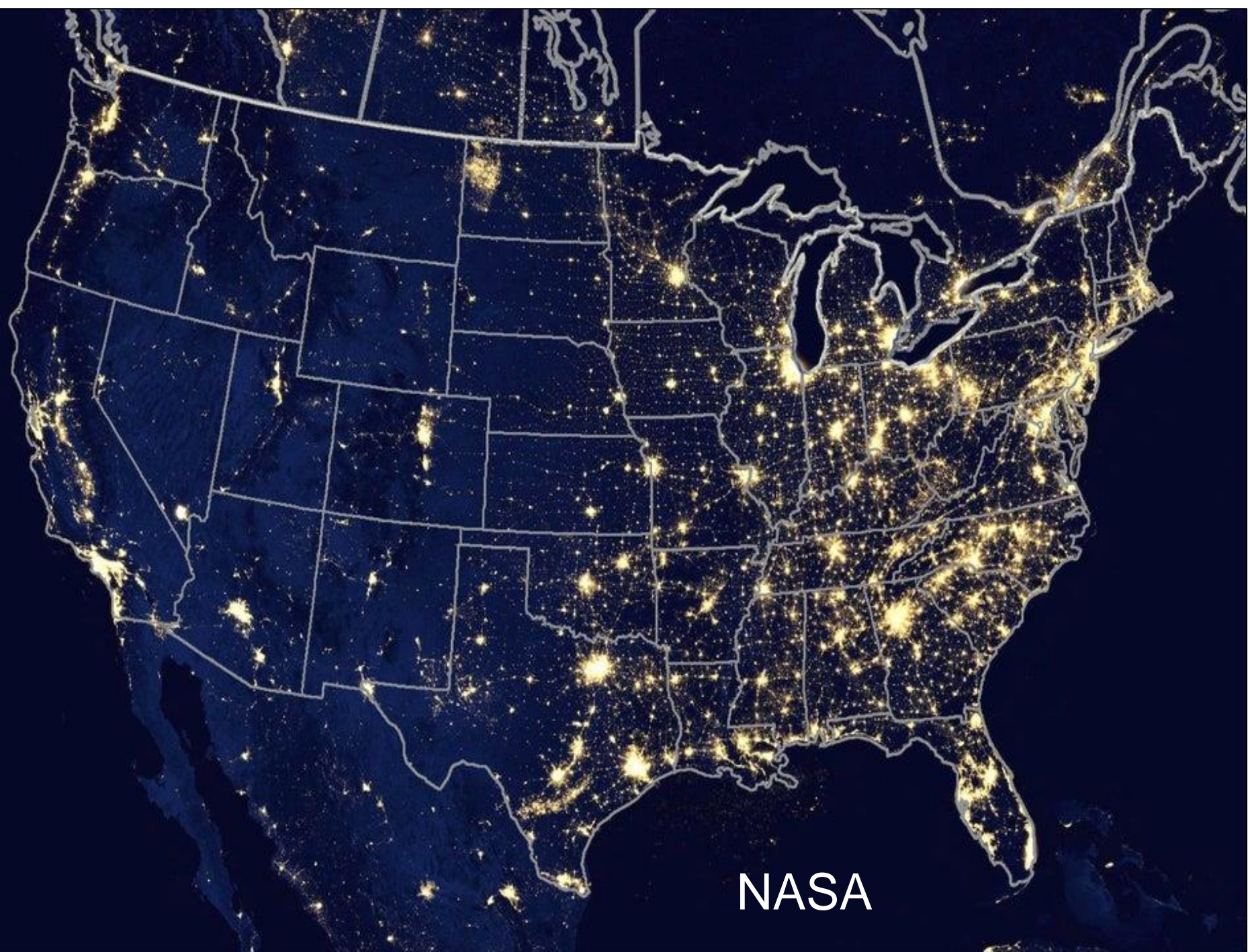


# Where The Money Is

Take a look at America's Economic Output



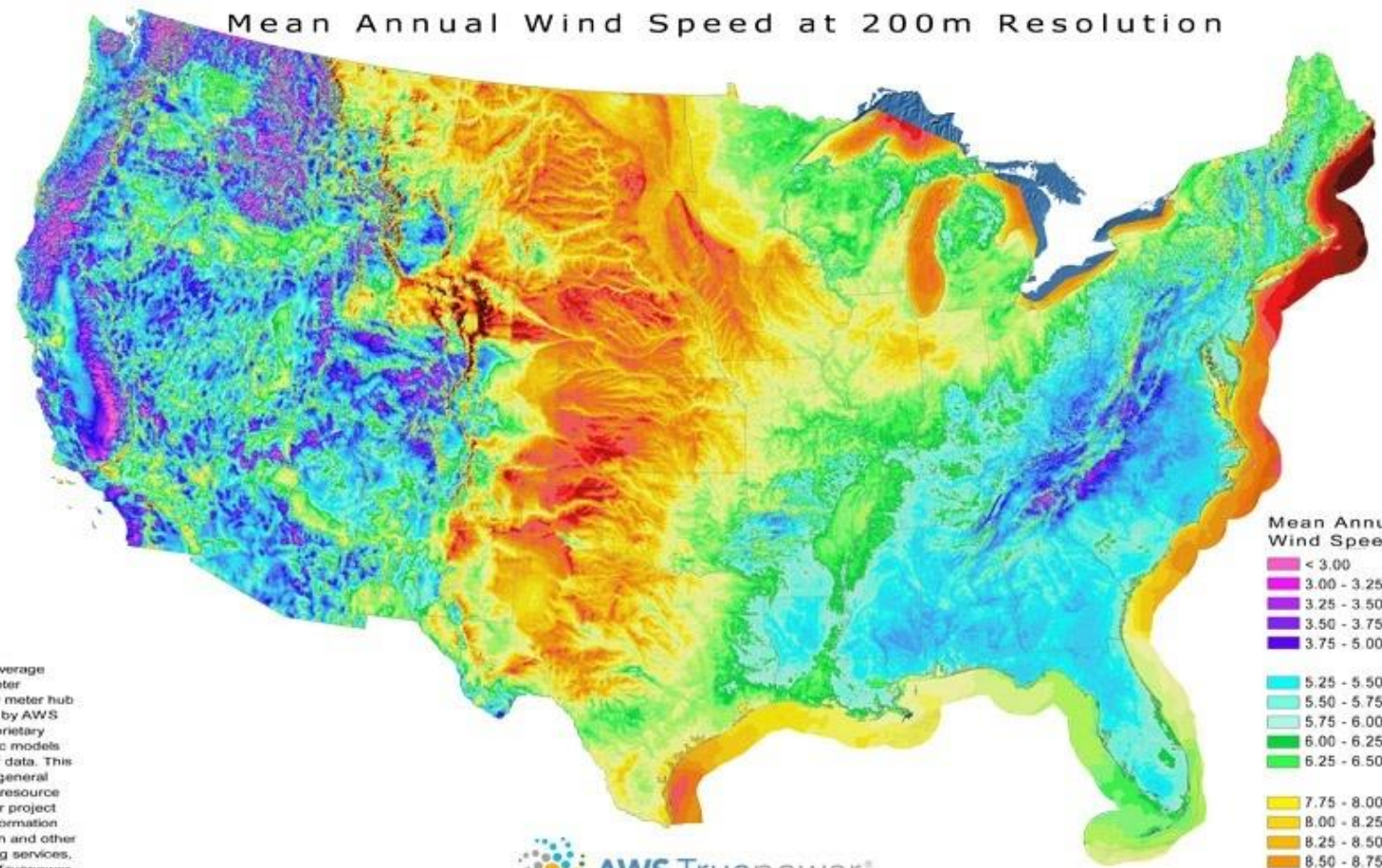






# WIND RESOURCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mean Annual Wind Speed at 200m Resolution



This map depicts the approximate annual average wind speed at 200 meter resolution and an 120 meter hub height. It was created by AWS Truepower using proprietary advanced atmospheric models and historical weather data. This map is provided as a general indication of the wind resource and is not intended for project design. For further information on wind project design and other wind energy consulting services, please contact AWS Truepower.

Mean Annual Wind Speed (m/s)

< 3.00	4.00 - 4.25
3.00 - 3.25	4.25 - 4.50
3.25 - 3.50	4.50 - 4.75
3.50 - 3.75	4.75 - 5.00
3.75 - 5.00	4.00 - 5.25
5.25 - 5.50	6.50 - 6.75
5.50 - 5.75	6.75 - 7.00
5.75 - 6.00	7.00 - 7.25
6.00 - 6.25	7.25 - 7.50
6.25 - 6.50	7.50 - 7.75
7.75 - 8.00	9.00 - 9.25
8.00 - 8.25	9.25 - 9.50
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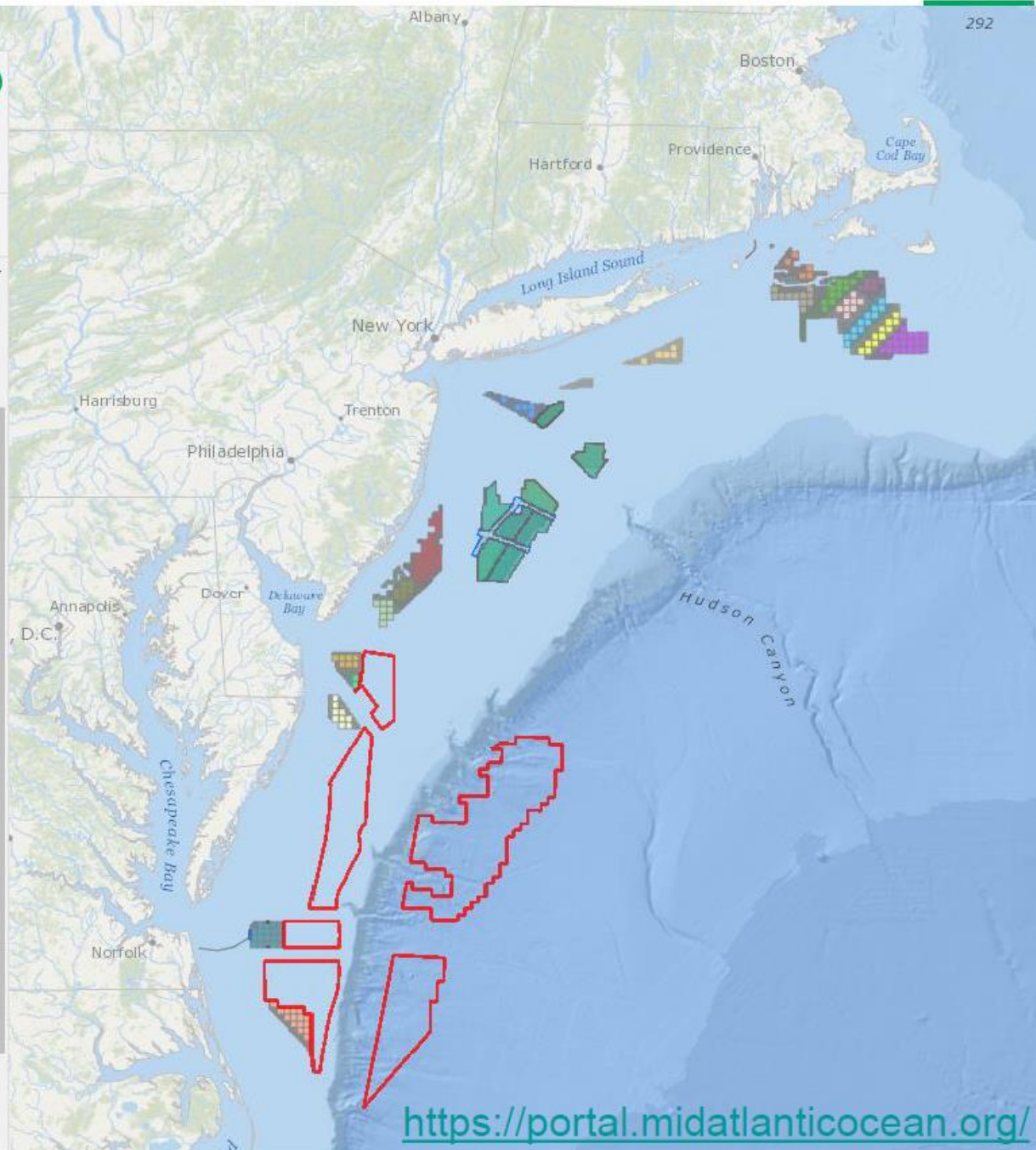
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## New Jersey Activities

State Overview

Leasing History

### Call for Information

The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act requires BOEM to award leases competitively, unless BOEM determines there is no competitive interest.

**Apr. 2011:** BOEM published the Call for Information and Nominations – Commercial Leasing for Wind Power on the Outer Continental Shelf Offshore New Jersey in the Federal Register for public review. The purpose of the “Call” was to determine if competitive interest existed for the construction of an offshore wind facility offshore New Jersey in addition to requesting information about site conditions, resources, and multiple uses within the area identified within the Federal Register Notice that would be relevant for commercial wind leasing.

Materials relating to the “Call” are below.

- [New Jersey Call for Information and Nominations for Commercial Leasing for Wind Power on the OCS Offshore New Jersey](#)
- [Map Showing the New Jersey Call for Information and Nominations Area](#)
- [Map Showing the New Jersey Call for Information and Nominations Area with a NOAA Nautical Chart Background](#)
- [New Jersey Call for Information and Nominations Area Boundary Coordinates](#)
- [GIS File of the New Jersey Call Area \(UTM Zone 18, NAD 83\)](#)

**Jun. 6, 2011:** The public comment period for the Call closed. In response, BOEM received [11 commercial indications of interest](#) to obtain a commercial lease for a wind energy project. BOEM initiated a review of these parties’ submissions to assess filing completeness, as well as legal, technical, and financial qualifications to hold an OCS renewable energy commercial lease.

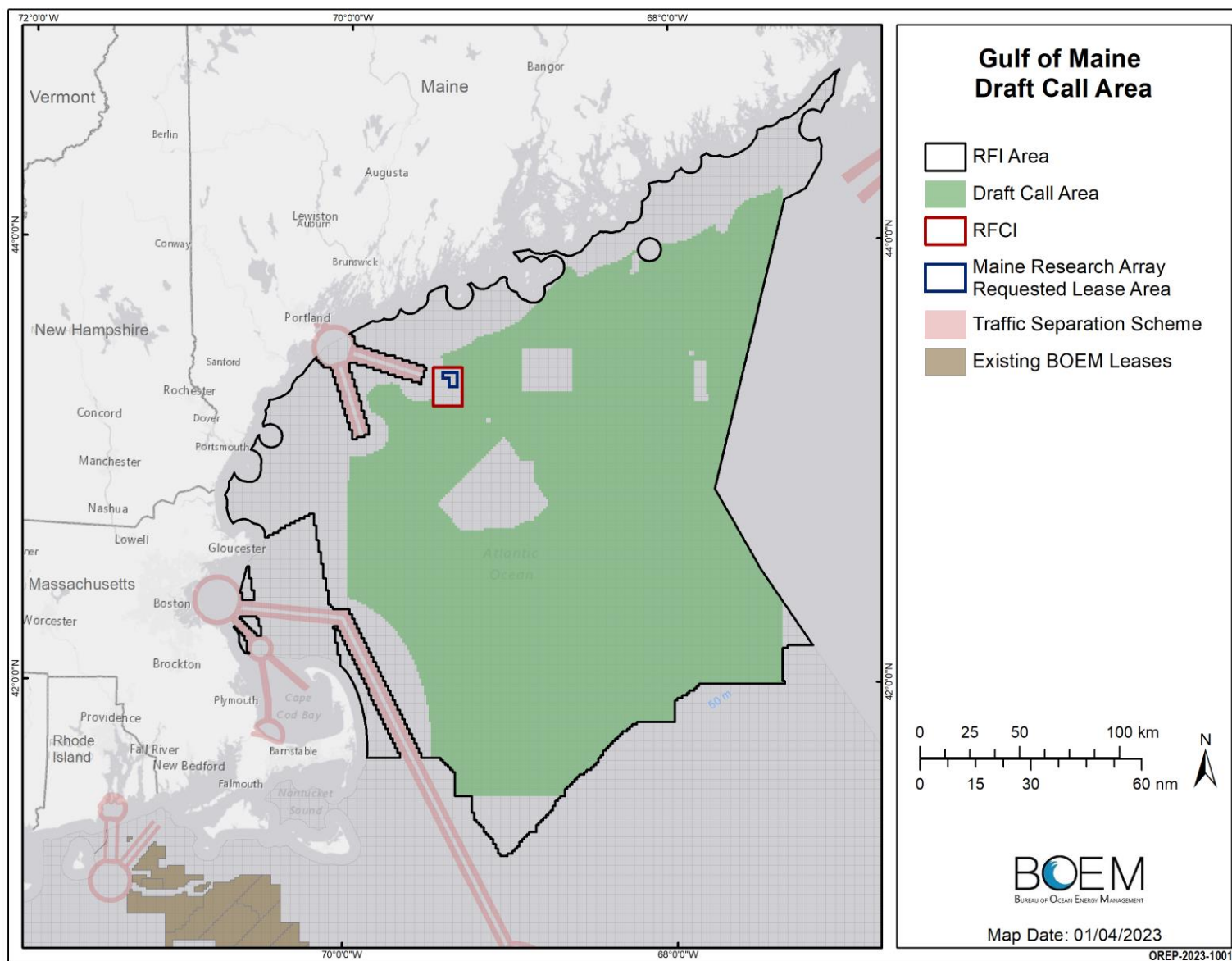
BOEM also received a number of comments, which can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

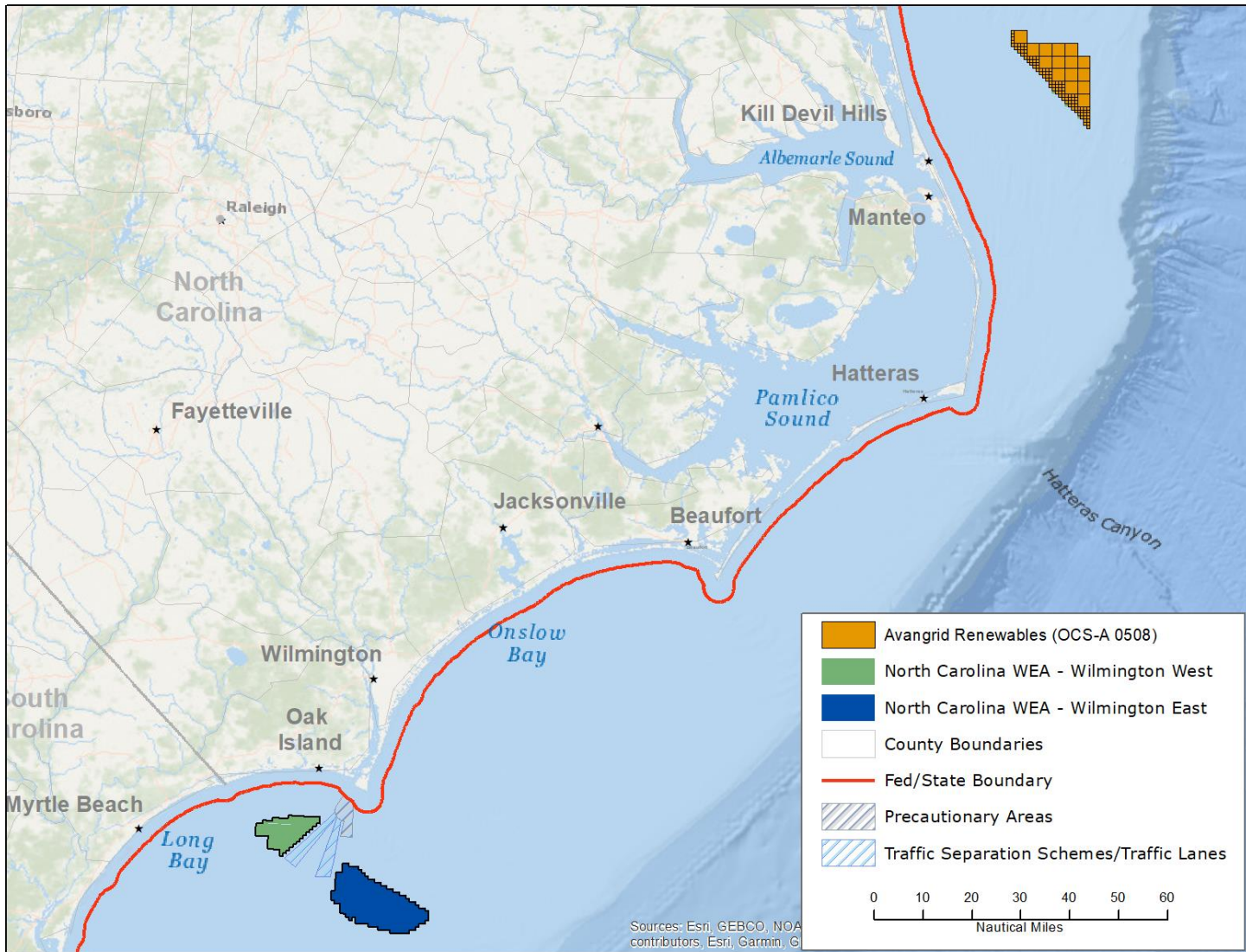
After analyzing new available Automatic Identification System (AIS) data and holding discussions with the United States Coast Guard, the New Jersey Renewable Energy Task, and maritime stakeholders BOEM decided that it would be appropriate to remove OCS Blocks Wilmington NJ18– 02 Block 6740 and Block 6790 (A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, M, N) and Block 6840 (A) to alleviate navigational safety concerns resulting from vessel transits out of the New York Harbor.

National Renewable Energy Laboratory Assessment Report



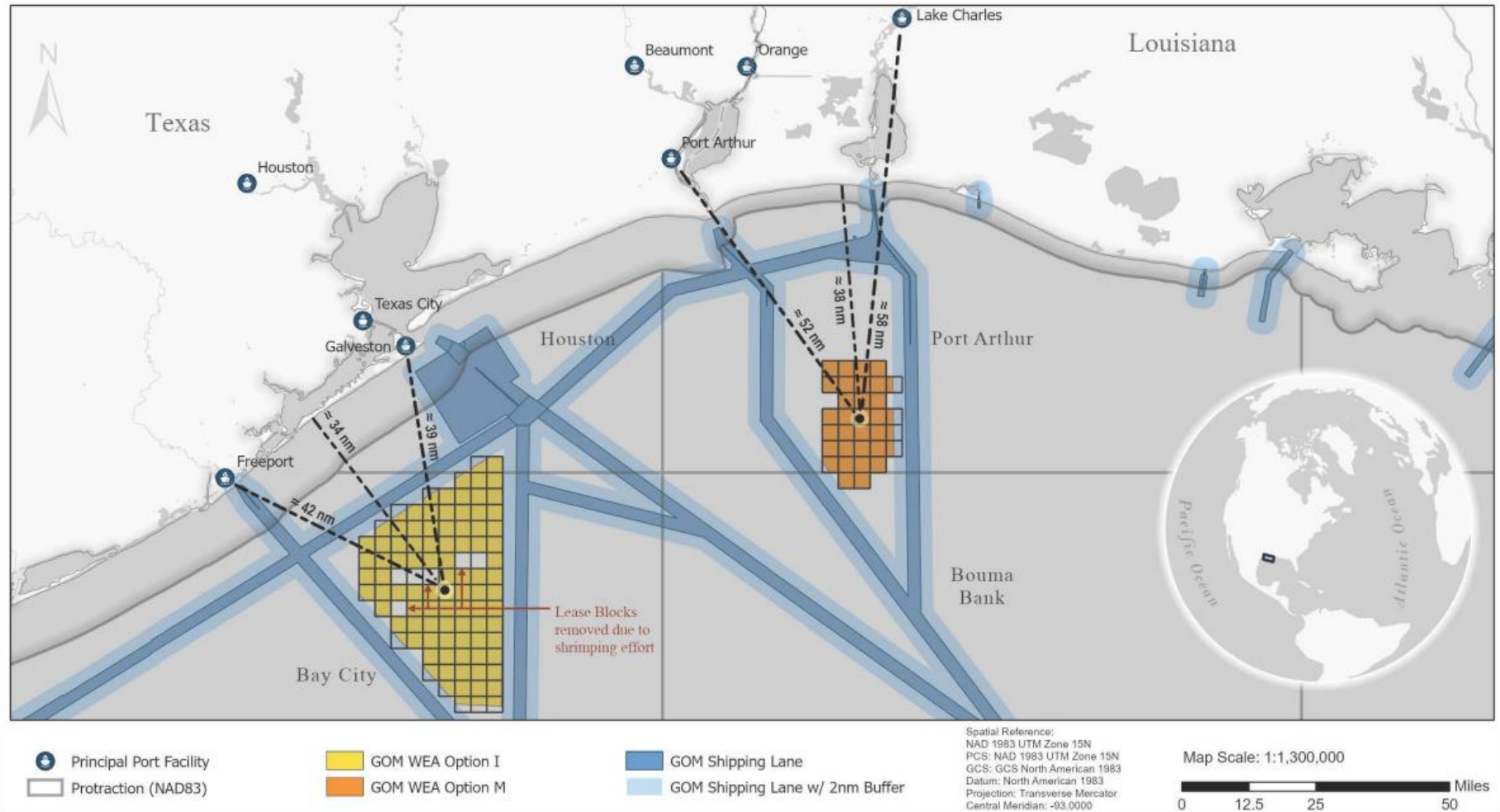
New Jersey Wind Energy Area



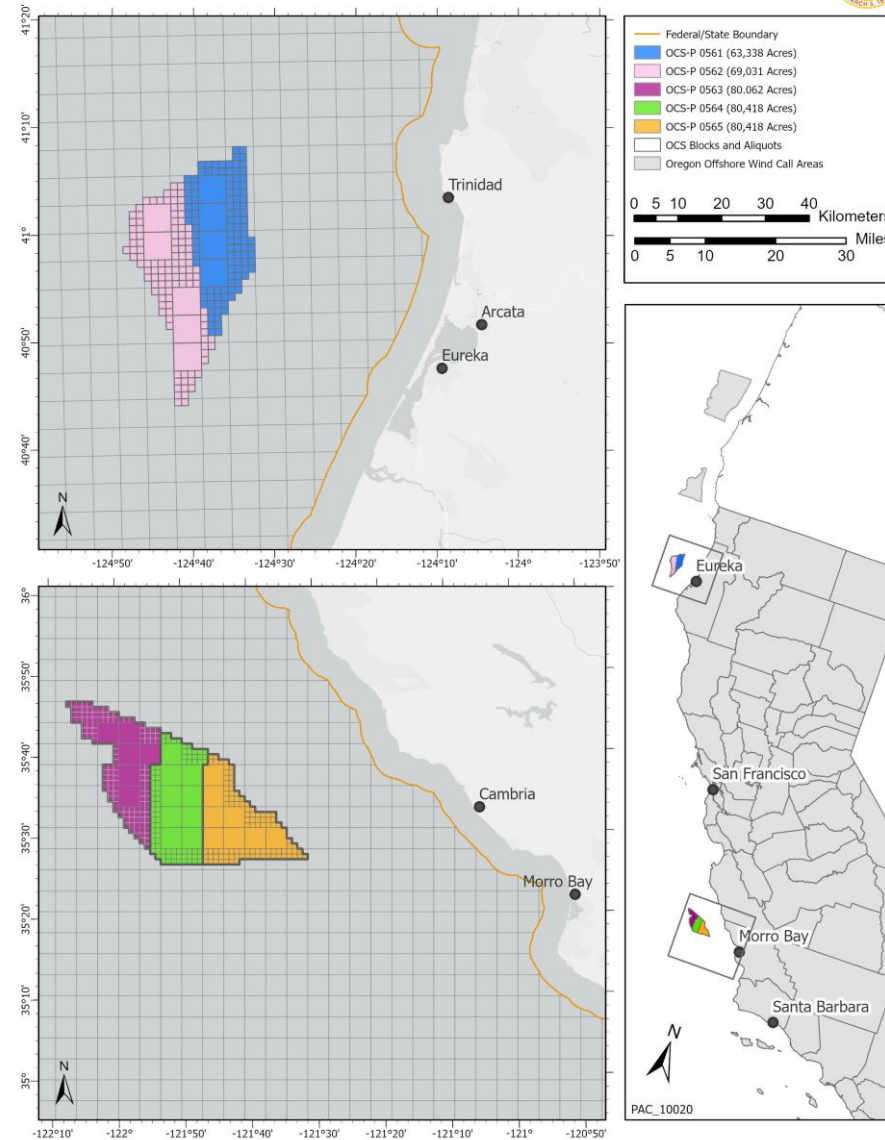




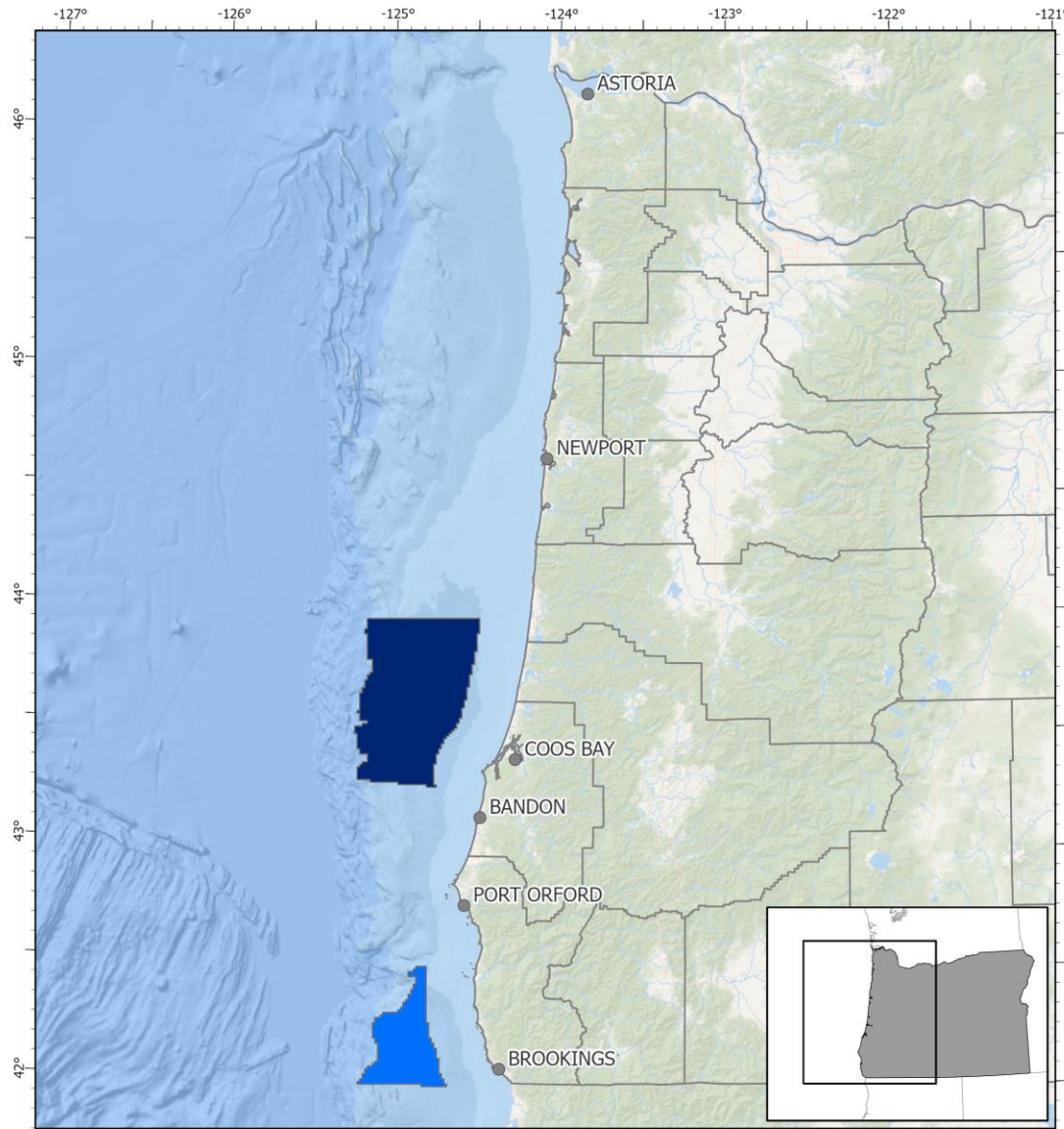
# Gulf of Mexico Wind Energy Area Blocks



## PACW-1 Final Lease Areas







## Oregon Call Areas

- Coos Bay Call Area
- Brookings Call Area



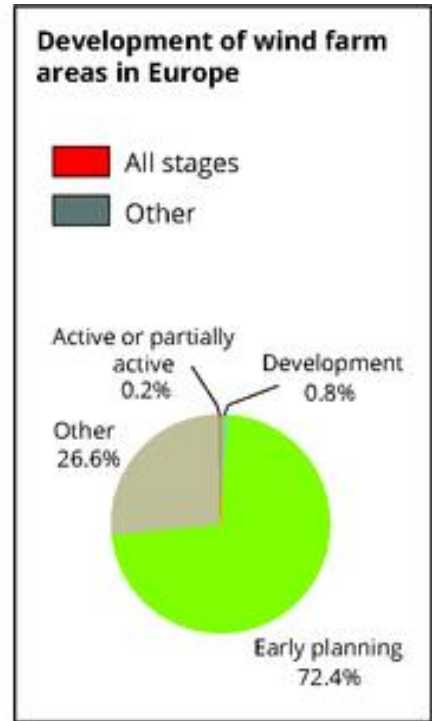
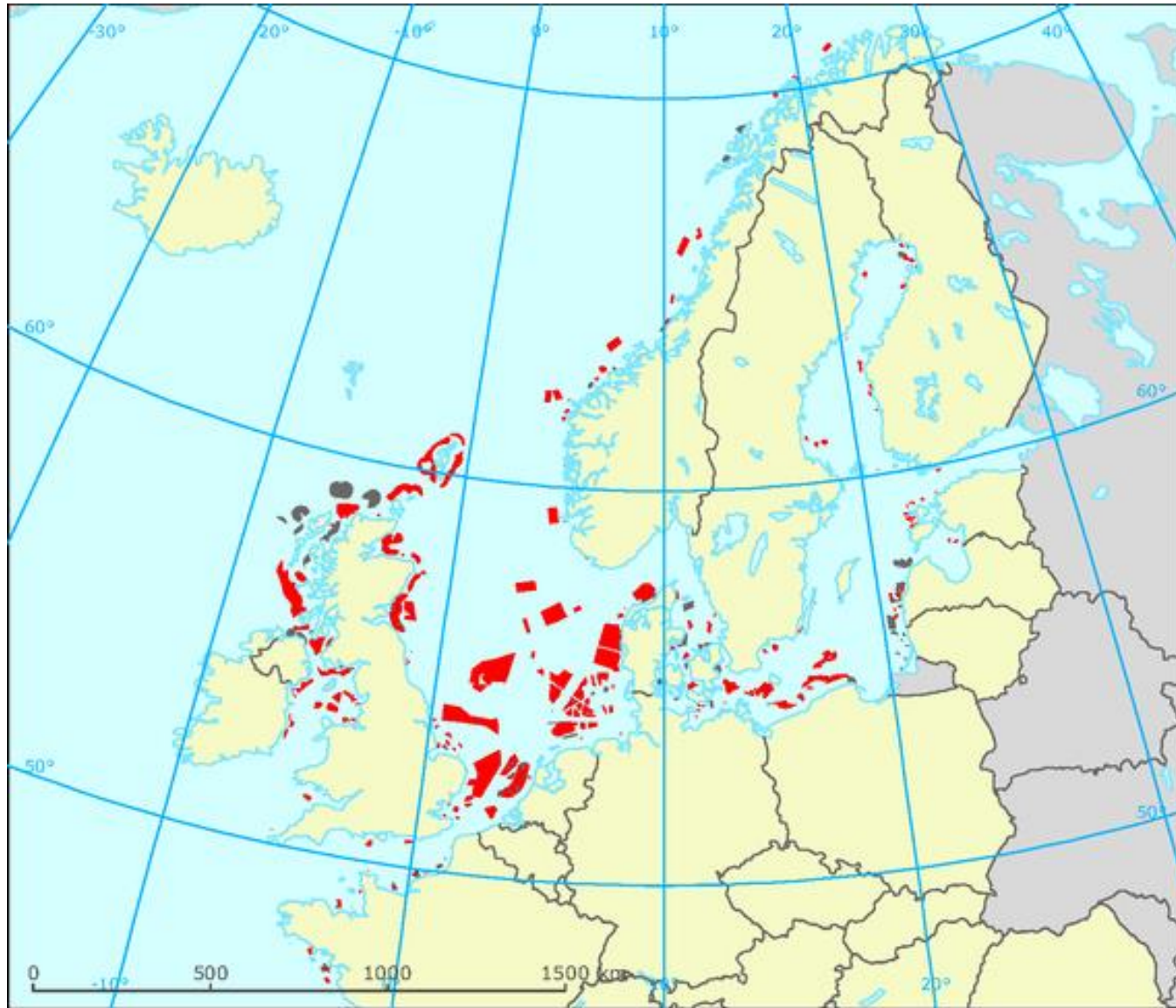
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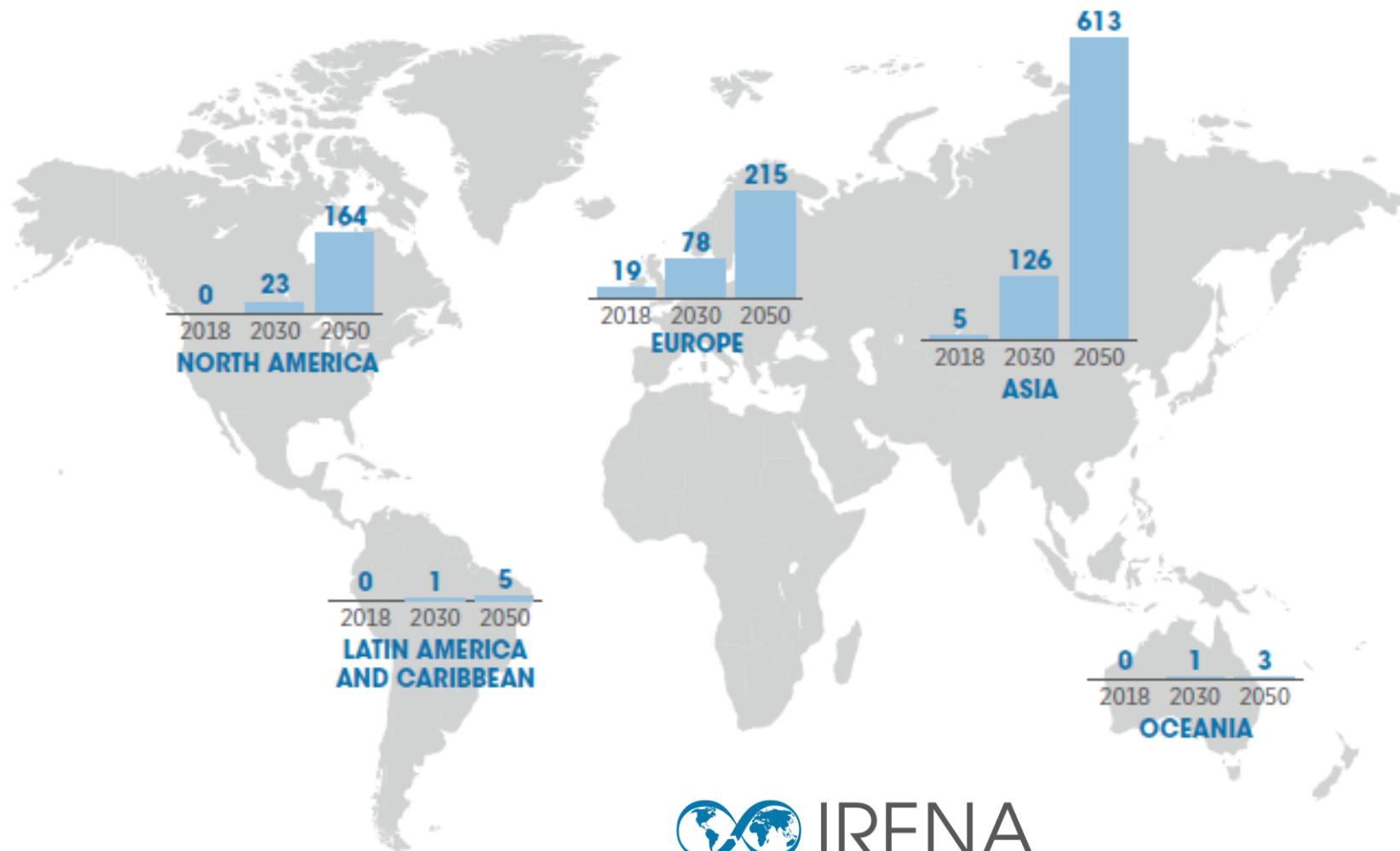
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## Offshore wind installed capacities (GW)



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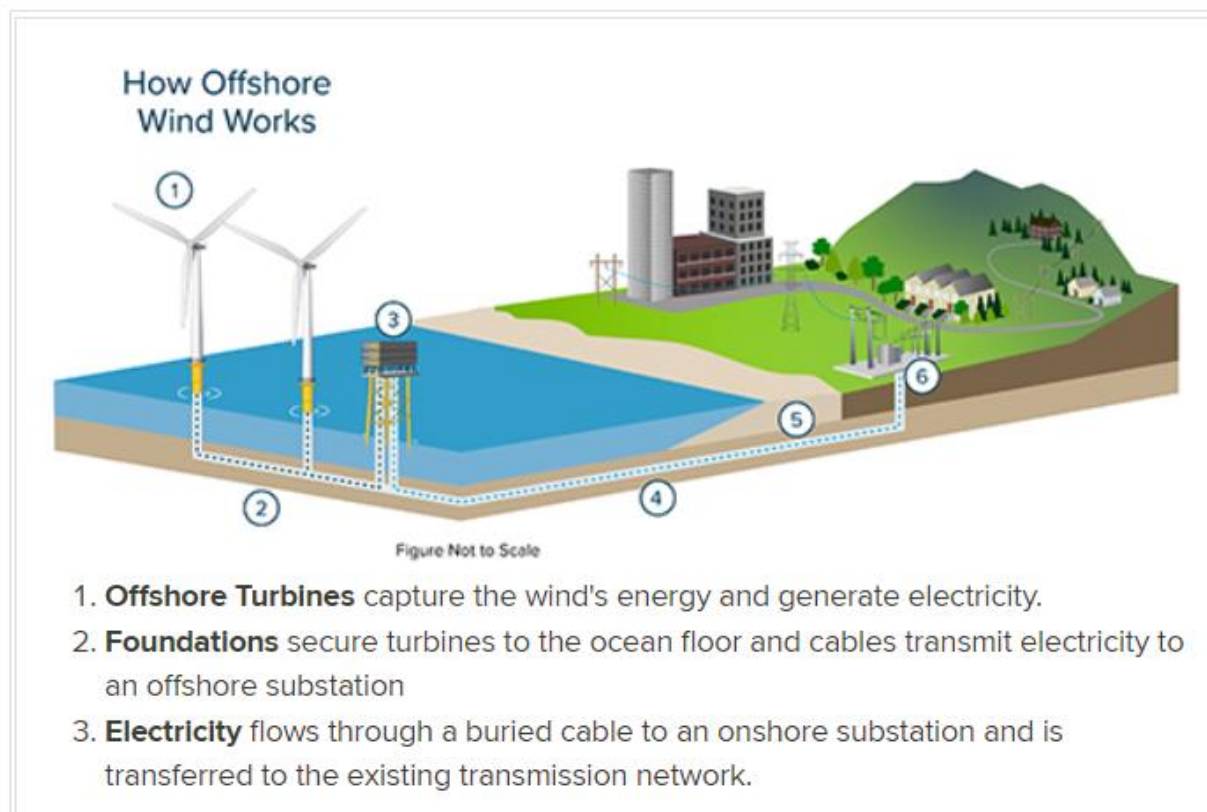
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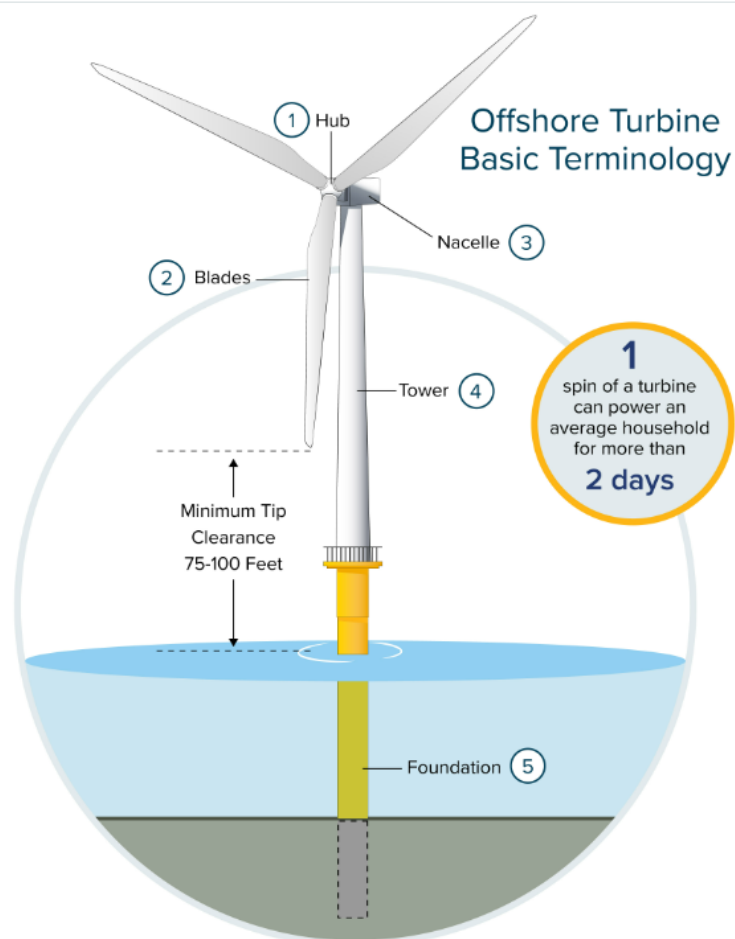
# How It Works

Offshore wind turbines work to harness the ocean's vast wind and convert it into 100% renewable electricity.

## Overview of Power Generation





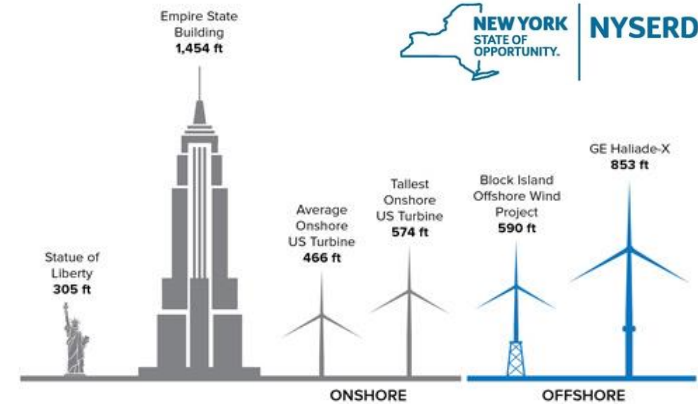
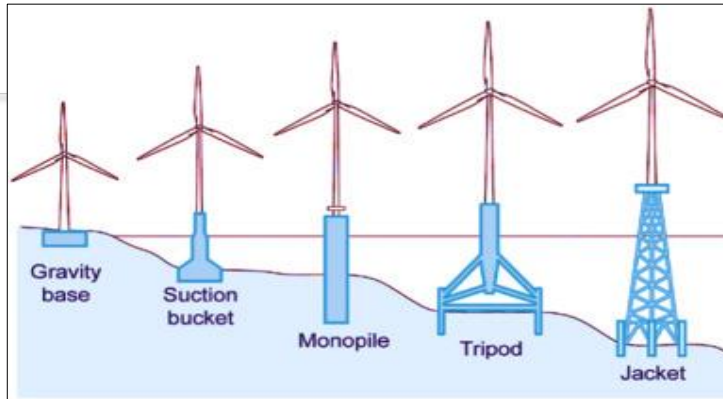


- 1. Hub.** The hub supports the blades and houses the pitch system, which optimizes blade angle and rotation speed.
- 2. Blades.** Blades capture the wind's energy and convert it into mechanical energy.
- 3. Nacelle.** The nacelle houses the components that convert mechanical energy to electrical energy.
- 4. Tower.** The tower supports the mass of the nacelle, hub, and blades.

[More](#)



**Figure 3.3.** Six different offshore wind substructure types. The three on the far left are fixed-bottom substructures (monopile, jacket, and inward battered guide structure [also known as a twisted jacket]), and the three on the right are floating substructures (from left to right: semisubmersible, tension leg platform, and spar). Illustration by Josh Bauer, NREL.

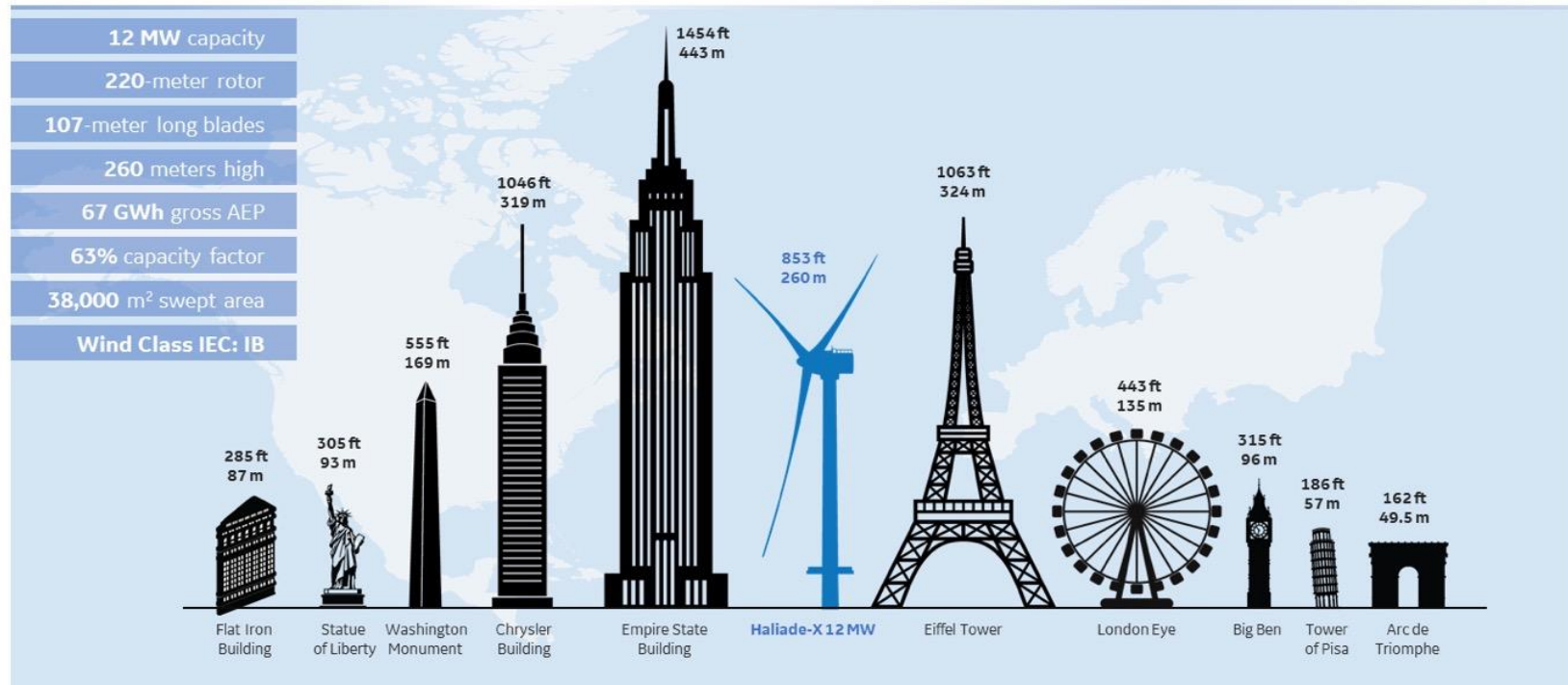


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12 MW capacity

220-meter rotor

107-meter long blades

260 meters high

67 GWh gross AEP

63% capacity factor

38,000 m² swept area

Wind Class IEC: IB





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October 6, 2022, Atlantic City, NJ (New Jersey), USA



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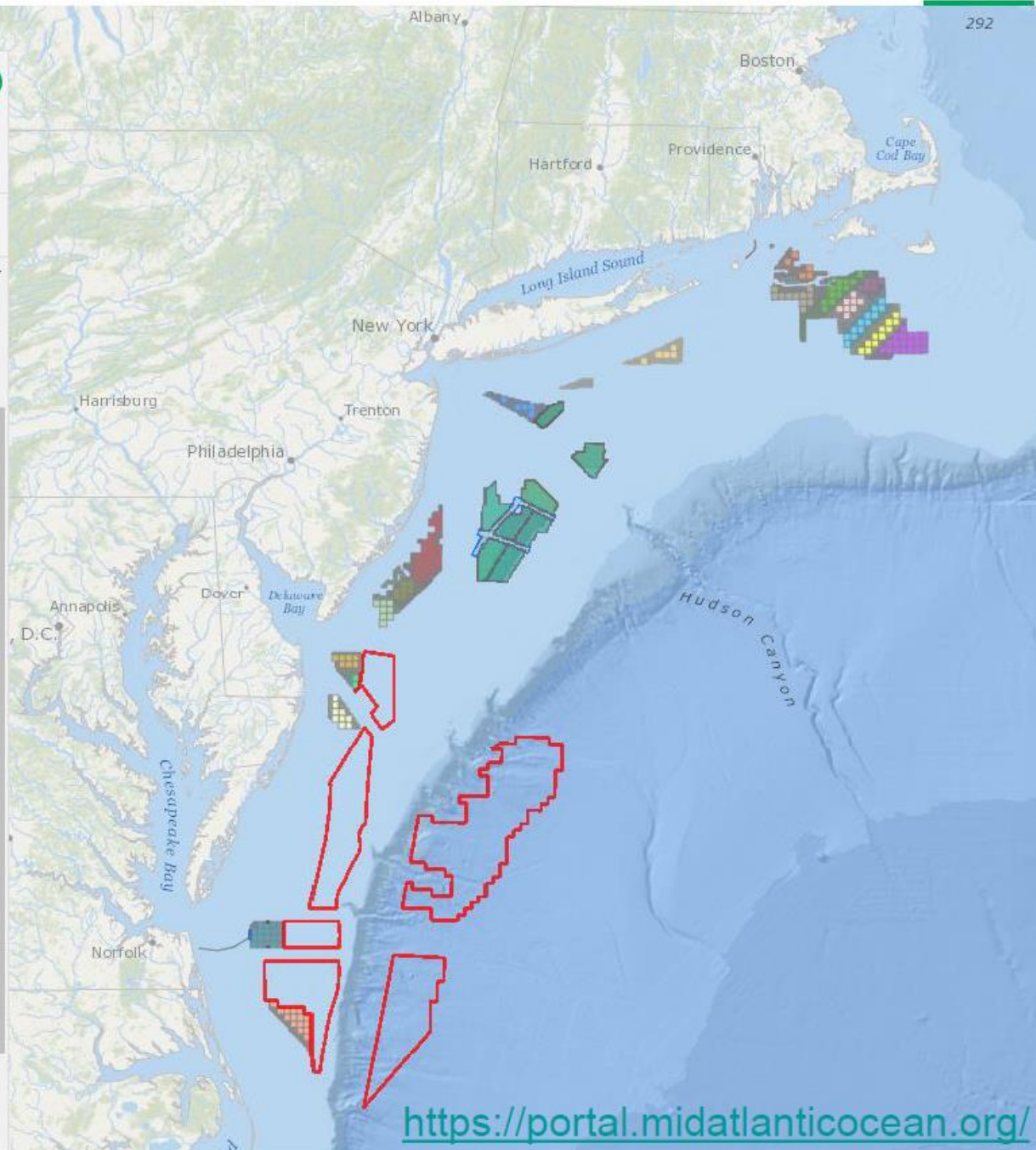
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# New Jersey Offshore Wind Solicitations

Solicitation	Minimum Capacity Target (MW)*	Capacity Awarded (MW)	Issue Date	Submittal Date	Award Date	Estimated COD
1	1,100	1,100	Q3 2018	Q4 2018	Q2 2019	2024-25
2	1,200 – 2,400	2,658	Q3 2020	Q4 2020	Q2 2021	2027-29
3	1,200 - 4,000		Q1 2023	Q2 2023	Q4 2023	2030
4	1,200**		Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q2 2025	2032
5	1,200**		Q3 2026	Q4 2026	Q2 2027	2034
6	1,200**		Q3 2028	Q4 2028	Q2 2029	2036
7	1,200**		Q3 2030	Q4 2030	Q2 2031	2038
<b>Total Awarded + Target</b>	<b>11,000</b>					

\*The Board may award projects above or below the target

\*\*To be adjusted based on previous solicitation awards



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## Ocean Wind 1 Offshore Wind Project

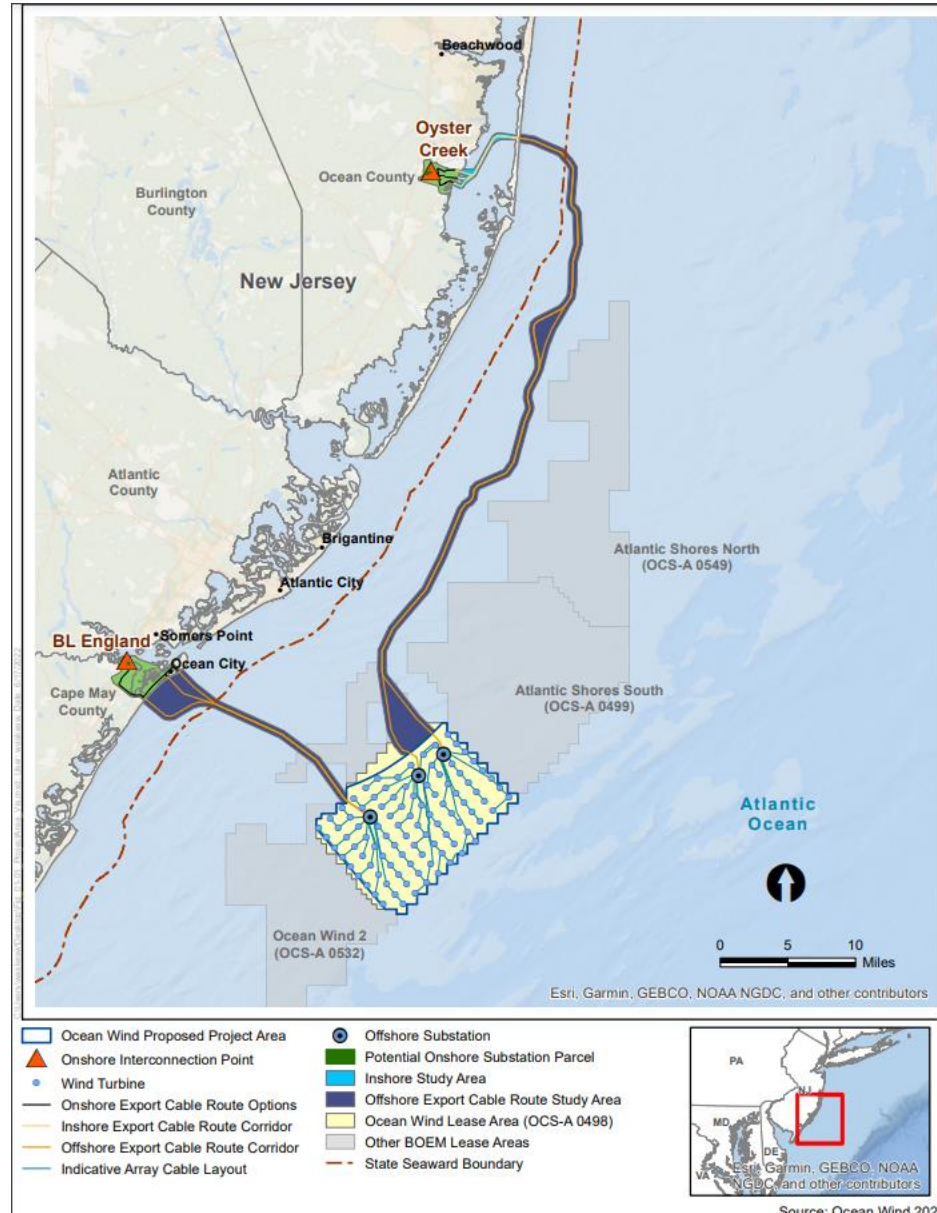
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# Ocean Wind 1 Construction and Operations Plan for Commercial Lease (OCS-A 0498)

On July 7, 2022 an error in the inshore export cable route options associated with the Oyster Creek Point of Interconnection (POI) was discovered in the Ocean Wind 1 COP. Approximately 1000 feet of route deviations were identified; however the updated/corrected route is entirely within the inshore cable study area identified the COP. Ocean Wind 1 has issued a technical correction to the relevant figures in the COP which can be found below. A corresponding technical correction for the Ocean Wind 1 DEIS was issued on July 22, 2022 and can be found on the BOEM Ocean Wind 1 DEIS Page.

- [Ocean Wind 1 COP Technical Correction](#)

On May 27, 2022, Ocean Wind 1 submitted an updated Construction and Operation Plan. This version of the COP informs the basis for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that will be published on June 24, 2022

- Volume I: Project Information
- Volume II: Affected Environment
- Volume III: Appendices
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  - Appendix B – Safety Management System (*Confidential*)
  - Appendix C – Certified Verification Agent Services (*Confidential*)
  - Appendix D – Marine Site Investigation Report (*Confidential*)
  - Appendix E – Biological Survey Results
  - Appendix F – Archaeology and Historic Properties Survey Report (*Confidential*)
    - F-1 Maritime Archaeological Resources Assessment (MARA) (*Confidential*)
    - F-2 Terrestrial Archaeological Resource Assessment (TARA) (*Confidential*)
    - F-3 Assessment of Visual Effects on Onshore Historic Properties (*Confidential*)
    - F-4 Historic Properties Treatment Plans
    - F-5 Terrestrial Unanticipated Discoveries Plan, Marine (Submerged) Unanticipated Discoveries Plan
  - Appendix G – Locations for Offshore Turbines and Substations
  - Appendix H – Assessment of the Potential Effects of the Ocean Wind Offshore Wind Farm on Birds and Bats
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    - Nighttime Aircraft Detection Lighting System (ADLS) Simulation
  - Appendix M (Part 1): Navigation Safety Risk Assessment
  - Appendix M (Part 2): Navigation Safety Risk Assessment
  - Appendix N – Air Quality Analysis (*Confidential*)
  - Appendix O – Fisheries Communication and Outreach Plan
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  - Appendix X – Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC) and Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Supplemental Information (*Confidential*)



Ocean Wind 1 Project Map



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## Ocean Wind 1 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Commercial Wind Lease OCS-A 0498

On July 22, 2022 BOEM issued a technical correction for the Ocean Wind 1 DEIS. Detailed information pertaining to the technical correction can be found below.

- [Ocean Wind 1 DEIS Technical Correction/Note to Readers](#)

On June 24, 2022 BOEM published the Notice of Availability of the Ocean Wind 1 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The DEIS can be accessed using the links below.

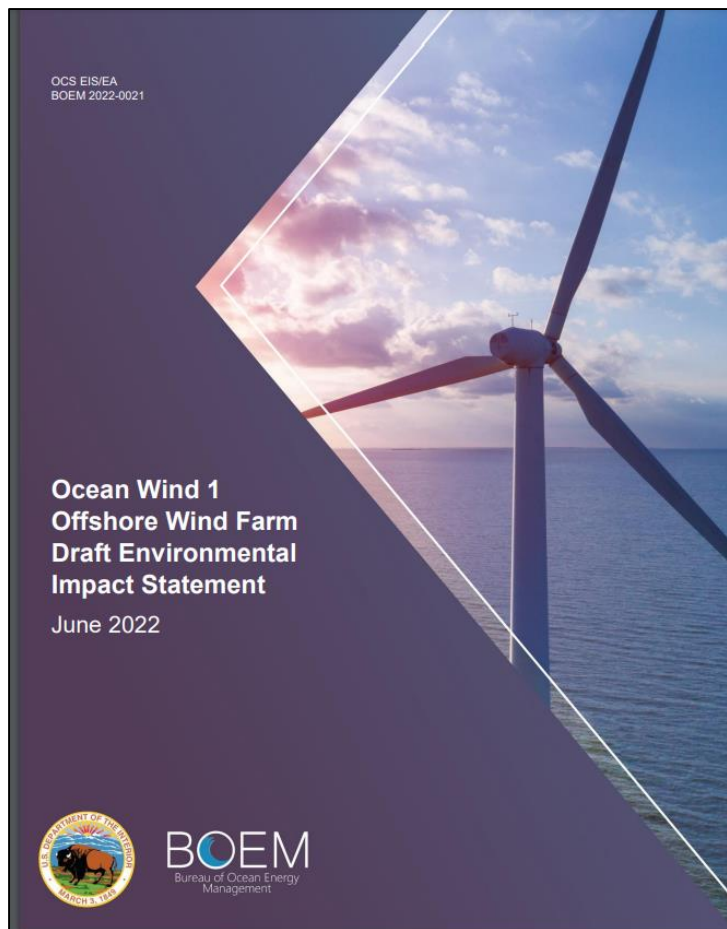
**Volume I and II: Ocean Wind 1 Offshore Wind Farm Draft Environmental Impact Statement** (*includes the DEIS in its entirety as one file*)

**Volume I** (*as an individual file*)

**Volume II: Appendices** (*a zip file containing all appendices as separate files*)

- [Appendix A: Required Environmental Permits and Consultations](#)
- [Appendix B: List of Preparers and Reviewers, References Cited, and Glossary](#)
- [Appendix C: Additional Analysis for Alternatives Dismissed](#)
- [Appendix D: Analysis of Incomplete or Unavailable Information](#)
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- [Appendix F: Planned Activities Scenario](#)
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- [Appendix I: Supplemental Information](#)
- [Appendix J: Overview of Acoustic Modeling Report](#)
- [Appendix K: List of Agencies, Organizations, and Persons to Whom Copies of the Statement Are Sent](#)
- [Appendix L: Other Impacts](#)
- [Appendix M: Seascape, Landscape, and Visual Impact Assessment](#) (Note: Images in this file were processed to be compliant with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, resulting in lower resolution visual simulations. High resolution visual simulations can be found directly below.
  - [Appendix M, Attachment M-2 Cumulative Visual Simulations](#) (*in high resolution format*)
    - [Cumulative Effects Visual Simulations – Great Bay Boulevard Wildlife Management Area, Little Egg Harbor Township \(Northwest Wind\)](#)
    - [Cumulative Effects Visual Simulations – Great Bay Boulevard Wildlife Management Area, Little Egg Harbor Township \(Southwest Wind\)](#)
    - [Cumulative Effects Visual Simulations – Playground Pier, Atlantic City \(Northwest Wind\)](#)
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    - [Spatial File used for creating Cumulative Visual Simulations](#) (contains the locations of the wind turbine generators and/or offshore substations)

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## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE OCEAN WIND 1 OFFSHORE WIND FARM

### DRAFT (X) FINAL ( )

<b>Lead Agency:</b>	U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Office of Renewable Energy Programs
<b>Cooperating Federal Agencies:</b>	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service U.S. Department of Defense U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Coast Guard U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement U.S. Environmental Protection Agency U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
<b>Participating Federal Agencies:</b>	U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service
<b>Cooperating State Agencies:</b>	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection New York State Department of State
<b>Contact Person:</b>	Lisa Landers National Environmental Policy Act Coordinator Office of Renewable Energy Programs, Environment Branch for Renewable Energy Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Office (703) 787-1520 <a href="mailto:lisa.landiers@boem.gov">lisa.landiers@boem.gov</a>
<b>Area:</b>	Area of Renewable Energy Lease Number OCS-A 0498
<b>Date for Comments:</b>	August 8, 2022

#### Abstract:

This Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) assesses the reasonably foreseeable impacts on physical, biological, socioeconomic, and cultural resources that could result from the construction and installation, operations and maintenance, and conceptual decommissioning of the Ocean Wind 1 Offshore Wind Farm (Project) proposed by Ocean Wind, LLC (Ocean Wind), in its Construction and Operations Plan (COP). The proposed Project described in the COP and this Draft EIS would be approximately 1,100 megawatts in scale and sited 15 miles (13 nautical miles) southeast of Atlantic City, New Jersey, within the area of Renewable Energy Lease Number OCS-A 0498 (Lease Area). The Project would serve demand for renewable energy in New Jersey. This Draft EIS was prepared in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 United States Code 4321-4370f) and implementing regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality and the Department of the Interior. This Draft EIS will inform the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management's decision on whether to approve, approve with modifications, or disapprove the Project's COP. Publication of the Draft EIS initiates a 45-day public comment period, after which all the comments received will be assessed and considered by BOEM in preparation of a Final EIS.

## Appendix A. Required Environmental Permits and Consultations

### A.1. Required Environmental Permits

Table A-1 includes a summary of federal, state, and local permits or approvals that are required for Project implementation.

**Table A-1 Required Environmental Permits and Consultations for the Proposed Project**

Agency/Regulatory Authority	Permit/Approval	Status
<b>Federal (Portions of the Project within Federal Jurisdiction)</b>		
BOEM	COP Approval	COP filed with BOEM on August 15, 2019. Updates to the COP were submitted on March 13, 2020, September 24, 2020, March 24, 2021, November 16, 2021/December 10, 2021, and May 27, 2022.
BSEE	Oil Spill Response Plan	Planned
FAA	FAA Form 7460-1, Notice of Proposed Construction or Alteration (for Hazard to Air Navigation Determination)	Submitted in October 2020
NMFS	MMPA Section 101(a)(5) Letter of Authorization	Complete application received February 2022
USACE	CWA Section 404 and RHA Section 10 Individual Permit	Submitted in April 2022
USACE	Section 408	Submitted in April 2022
USCG	PATON authorization	Planned
USCG	Local Notice to Mariners per Ports and Waterways Safety Act	Planned
USEPA	CAA OCS Air Permit	Submitted in March 2022
<b>State (Portions of the Project within State Jurisdiction)</b>		
NJDEP, DLUR	Waterfront Development Permit and Coastal Consistency Determination	Planned
NJDEP, DLUR	Coastal Areas Facility Review Act Permit and Coastal Consistency Determination	Planned
NJDEP, DLUR	Coastal Wetlands Permit	Planned
NJDEP, DLUR	Flood Hazard Area Permit	Planned
NJDEP, DLUR	Freshwater Wetlands Permit	Planned
NJDEP, DLUR	Section 401 Water Quality Certification	Planned
NJDEP, Division of Water Quality	Stormwater Construction General Permit (5G3)	Planned
NJDEP, Division of Water Quality	Short Term De Minimis General Permit (B7)	Planned

Agency/Regulatory Authority	Permit/Approval	Status
NJDEP, Bureau of Water Allocation and Well Permitting	Temporary Dewatering Permit	Planned
NJDEP, Bureau of Tidelands Management	Tidelands License	Planned
NJDEP, Green Acres Program	Major Diversion of Parkland	Planned
NJDEP, Division of Parks and Forestry, Natural Heritage Program	New Jersey Endangered Species Conservation Act, threatened and endangered species consultation	Correspondence dated December 2021 will be included with the DLRP permits
NJDEP, New Jersey Historic Preservation Office	NHPA Act Section 106 Review and New Jersey Register of Historic Places Act	Ongoing BOEM coordination as part of NHPA Section 106 process. Historic and cultural resources assessment also part of the DLRP permits
NJDEP, Site Remediation and Waste Management Program	Linear Construction Project Notification	Planned
NJDEP, Division of Parks and Forestry	Consultations and approvals for activities on State Lands and Parks	State House Commission Initial Review of Lease Summary prepared by NJDEP
New Jersey Department of Transportation	Highway Occupancy Permit	Planned
New Jersey Pinelands Commission	Development Application	No development application required.
New Jersey Department of Community Affairs	Construction Permit	Planned
<b>Local (Portions of the Project within Local Jurisdiction)</b>		
Ocean County Soil Conservation District	Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan Certification	Planned
Cape Atlantic Soil Conservation District	Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan Certification	Planned
Atlantic County Division of Engineering	Utility Opening/Highway Occupancy Permit	Planned
Ocean County Engineering Department	Road Opening Permit	Planned
Municipal/county building and zoning permits and approvals	Lacey Township, Ocean Township, Ocean City, Upper Township, Ocean County, Atlantic County, Cape May County	Planned

CAA = Clean Air Act; DLRP = Division of Land Resource Protection; DLUR = Division of Land Use Regulation

[https://www.boem.gov/sites/default/files/documents/renewable-energy/state-activities/Ocean-Wind1-DEIS-App-A-Required\\_Permits.pdf](https://www.boem.gov/sites/default/files/documents/renewable-energy/state-activities/Ocean-Wind1-DEIS-App-A-Required_Permits.pdf)





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## Ocean Wind 1

Ørsted's Ocean Wind 1 lease area (OCS-A 0498) is located approximately 15 miles off New Jersey's coast. On June 21, 2019 the NJBPU announced that [Ørsted's Ocean Wind 1 Project](#) was awarded a solicitation for 1,100 MW offshore wind project. This 1,100 MW project has the potential to power nearly half a million homes in New Jersey.

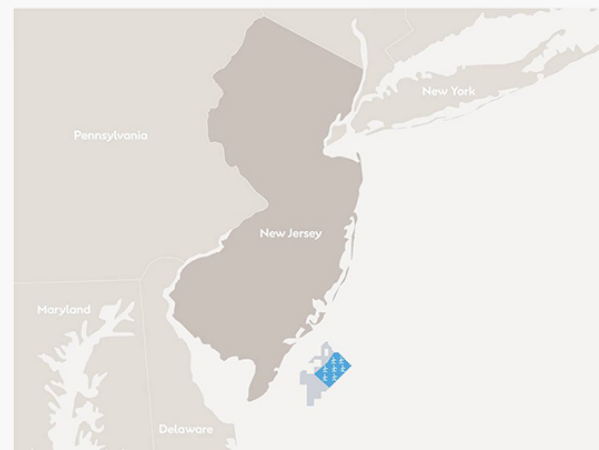
[Ocean Wind 1's Construction and Operations Plan \(COP\)](#) was submitted to BOEM on August 15, 2019, with updated versions submitted on March 13, 2020, September 24, 2020, and March 24, 2021. BOEM will review the COP and approve, disapprove, or [approve with modifications the proposed activities](#). On March 30, 2021, BOEM published a Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Ocean Wind 1. The Notice of Intent initiates a 30-day public comment period and triggers the beginning of the State's review process under a Federal Consistency review. On June 24, 2022, BOEM published a Notice of Availability (NOA) for the Ocean Wind 1 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) which initiates a 45-day public comment period that ends on August 8, 2022. The Ocean Wind 1 DEIS can be viewed [here](#). Ocean Wind 1 is targeting construction commencement for the first quarter of 2023, with commercial operations expected by the end of 2024.

More information on [Ørsted's Ocean Wind 1 project](#).

More information on [BOEM Lease area OCS-A 0498](#).

[NJDEP Comments on Ocean Wind LLC's Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement](#)

[NJDEP Comments on the Ocean Wind 1 Draft Environmental Impact Statement](#)



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# Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind Construction and Operations Plan

Lease Area OCS-A 0499



## Volume I: Project Information

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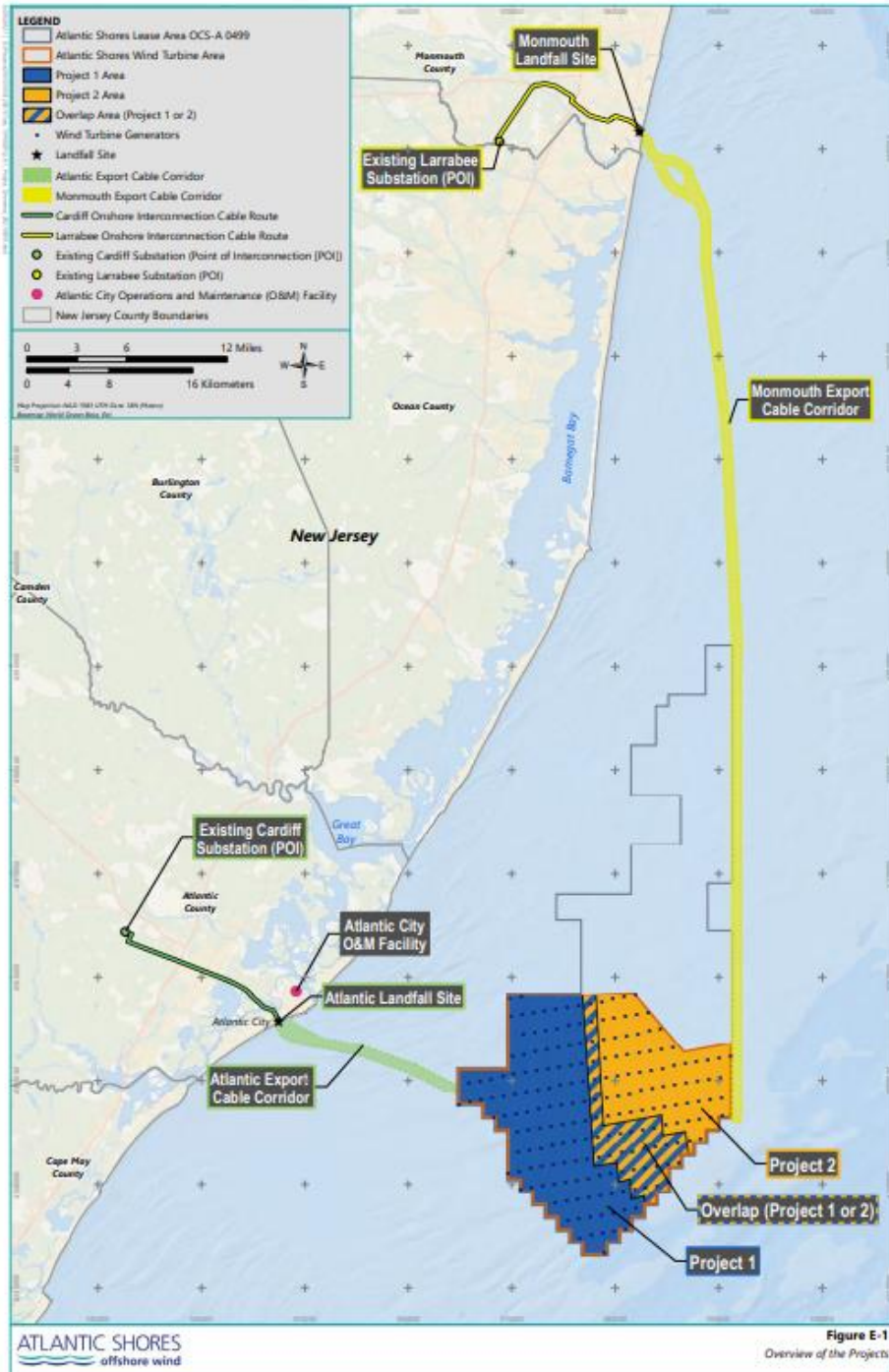


Figure E-1  
Overview of the Projects



## Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind Construction and Operations Plan for Commercial Lease OCS (OCS-A 0499)

As a result of the June 30, 2021 New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJ BPU) Offshore Renewable Energy Certificate (OREC) award, ASOW updated Volume I (Project Information) of the COP in August 2021 to include two Projects. COP Volume II (Affected Environment) and applicable Appendices do not currently include this update and will be updated to reflect Projects 1 and 2 as part of a December 2021 COP revision.

### Volume I – Project Information

- Volume I: Project Information
- Volume I with Associated Appendices

### Volume II: Affected Environment

- Volume II: Affected Environment
- Volume II with Associated Appendices

### Appendices (Volume I and Volume II)

- Appendix I-B: Engagement with Agencies, Tribes, Municipalities, and Other Stakeholders
- Appendix I-C: Coastal Zone Management Consistency Statement
- Appendix I-D: Draft Oil Spill Response Plan
- Appendix I-E: Draft HSSE Safety Management System
- Appendix II-A: Geology, Hazard, and G&G Reports
  - Appendix II-A1: Geophysical and Geohazard Report (*Confidential*)
  - Appendix II-A2: Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind Farm Geoscience-focused Desktop Study (*Confidential*)
  - Appendix II-A3: (*Confidential*)
    - Appendix II-A3a: Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC) Hazard Assessment (*Confidential*)
    - Appendix II-A3b: Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC) Risk Assessment with Risk Mitigation Strategy (*Confidential*)
  - Appendix II-A4:
    - Appendix II-A4a: Natural Resources Conservation Service Mapped Soils Report – Cardiff Onshore Cable Route
    - Appendix II-A4b: Natural Resources Conservation Service Mapped Soils Report – Larrabee Onshore Cable Route
- Appendix II-B: Metocean Reports
  - Appendix II-B1: Metocean Analysis Report (*Confidential*)
  - Appendix II-B2: Metocean Design Basis (Redacted for Confidential Information)
- Appendix II-C: Air Emissions Calculation Methodology
- Appendix II-D: Wetlands and Waters Report
  - Appendix II-D1: Wetland and Stream Delineation Report – Cardiff
  - Appendix II-D2: Wetland and Stream Delineation Report – Larrabee
- Appendix II-E: Coastal and Terrestrial Habitat and Fauna Report
  - Appendix II-E1: Habitat Suitability Assessment Report – Cardiff
  - Appendix II-E2: Habitat Suitability Assessment Report – Larrabee
- Appendix II-F: Avian Appendix (*Expected December 2021 pursuant to the supplemental filing schedule*)
- Appendix II-G: Benthic Reports
  - Appendix II-G1: 2019 Benthic Assessment Report – Buoy Installation Areas and Sites of Interest
  - Appendix II-G2: 2020 Benthic Assessment Report



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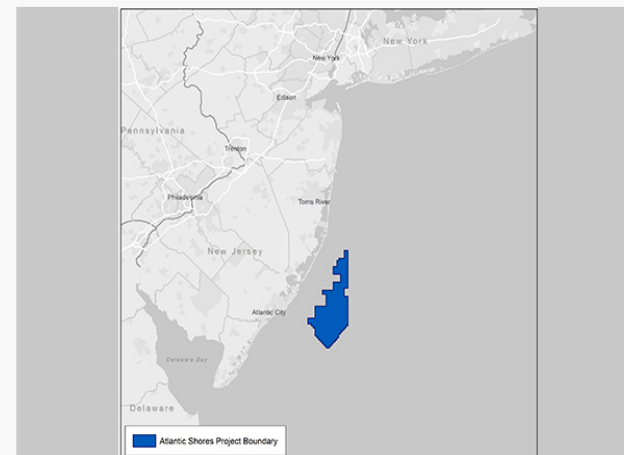
Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind, LLC is a 50:50 partnership between Shell New Energies US LLC and EDF Renewables North America. Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind proposes to develop a 183,353 acre lease area (OCS-0499) off the coast of New Jersey. Their lease area is approximately 10 miles off New Jersey's coast with the potential for turbines to be located between 10-20 miles offshore. Atlantic Shores has the potential to power nearly 1 million homes.

On April 8, 2021 BOEM approved Atlantic Shores Site Assessment Plan (SAP). On March 25, 2021, Atlantic Shores submitted their COP which is currently under review with BOEM. On June 30, 2021 the NJBPU awarded Atlantic Shores OREC's for their 1,509.6 MW Project. The wind turbines are expected to begin generating power in 2028.

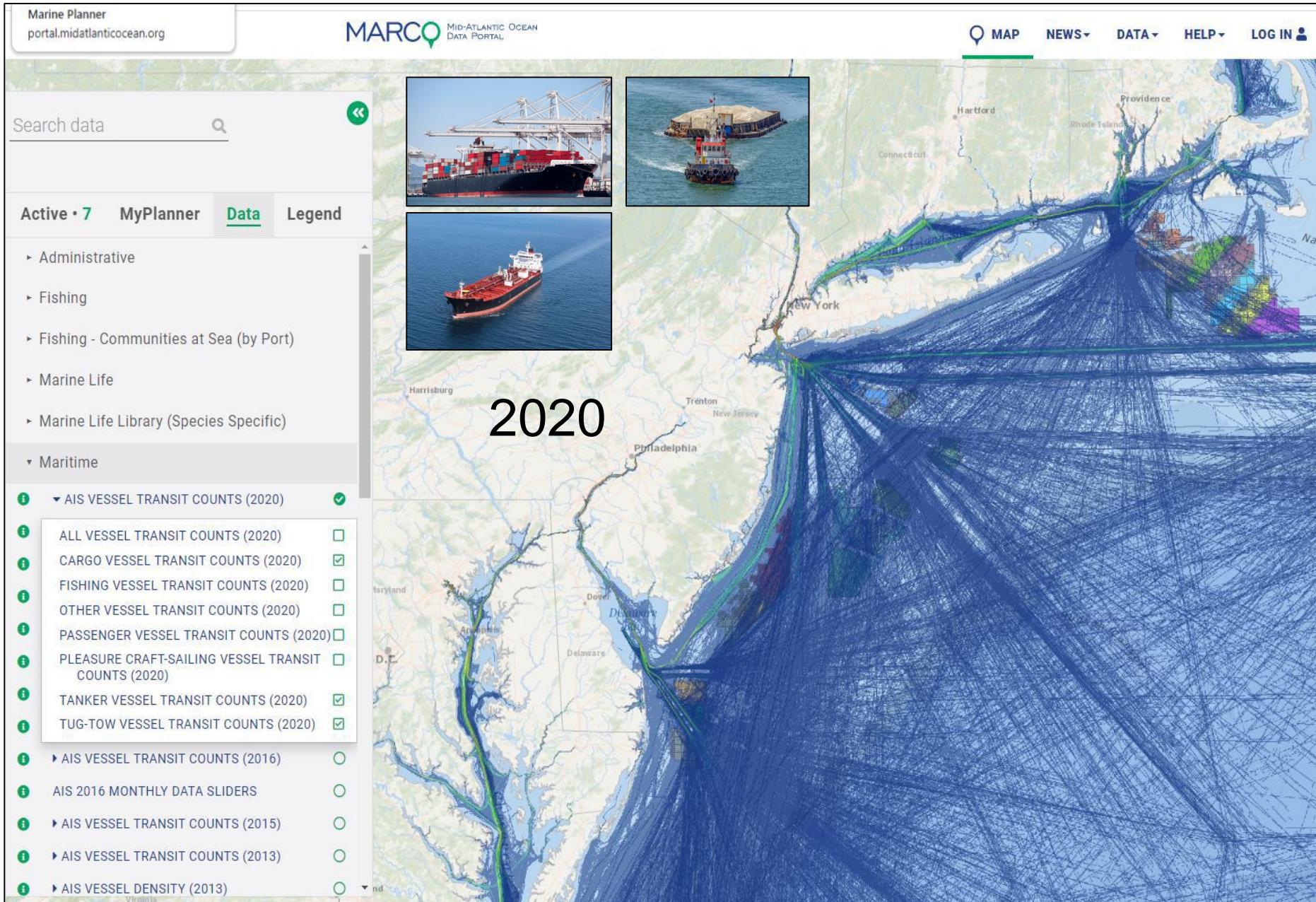
More information on [Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind project](#).

More information on [BOEM Lease area OCS-A 0499](#).

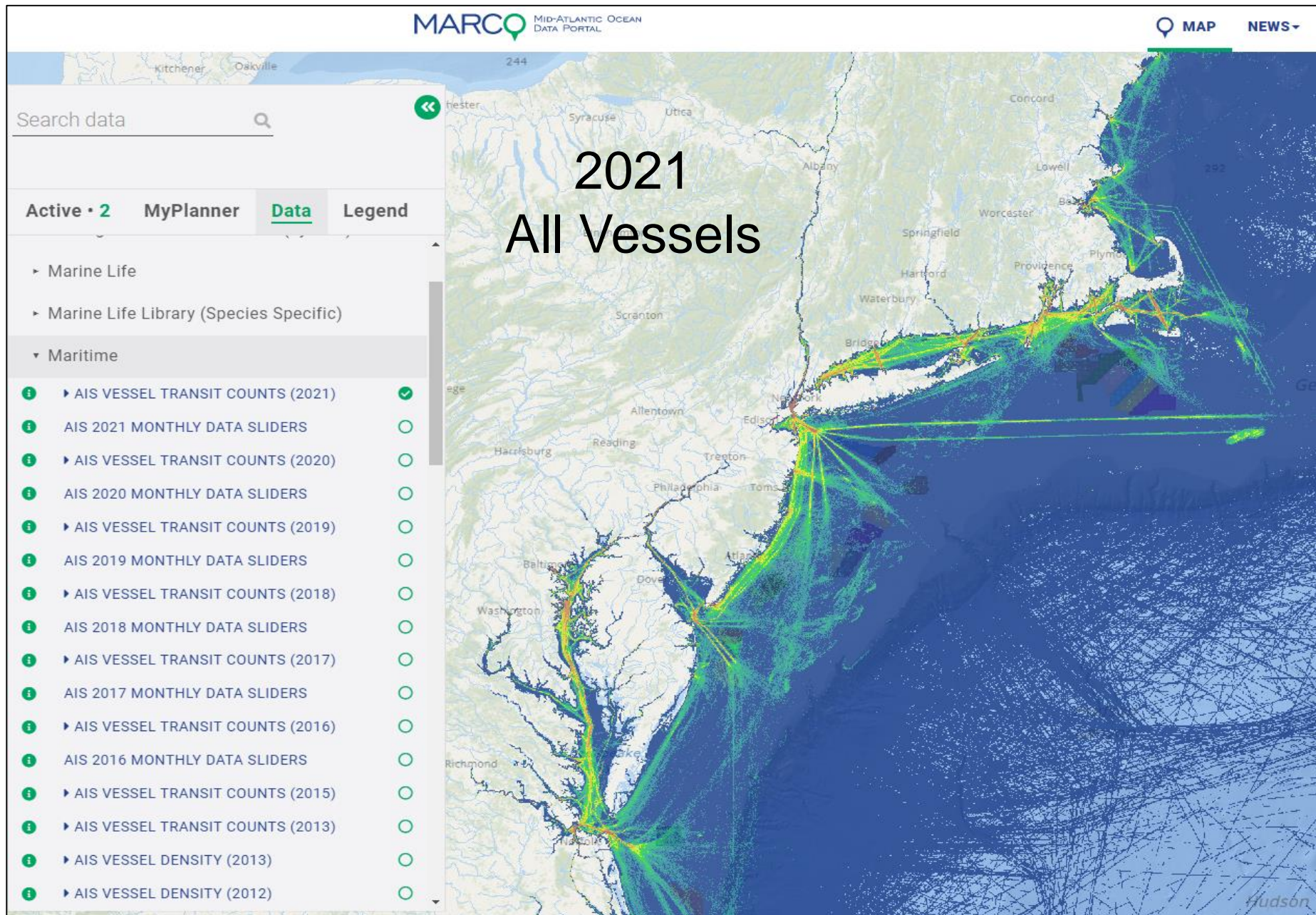
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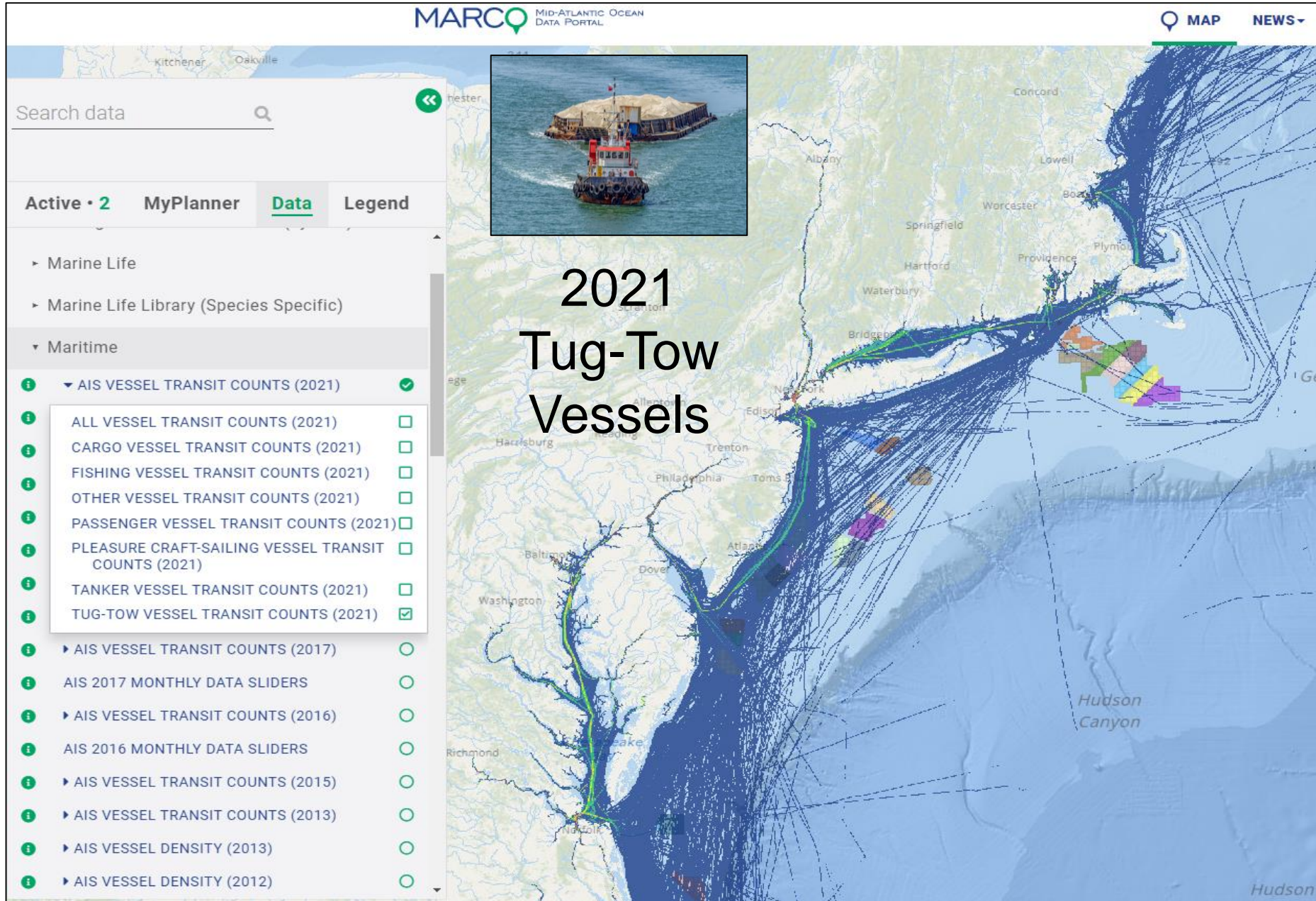




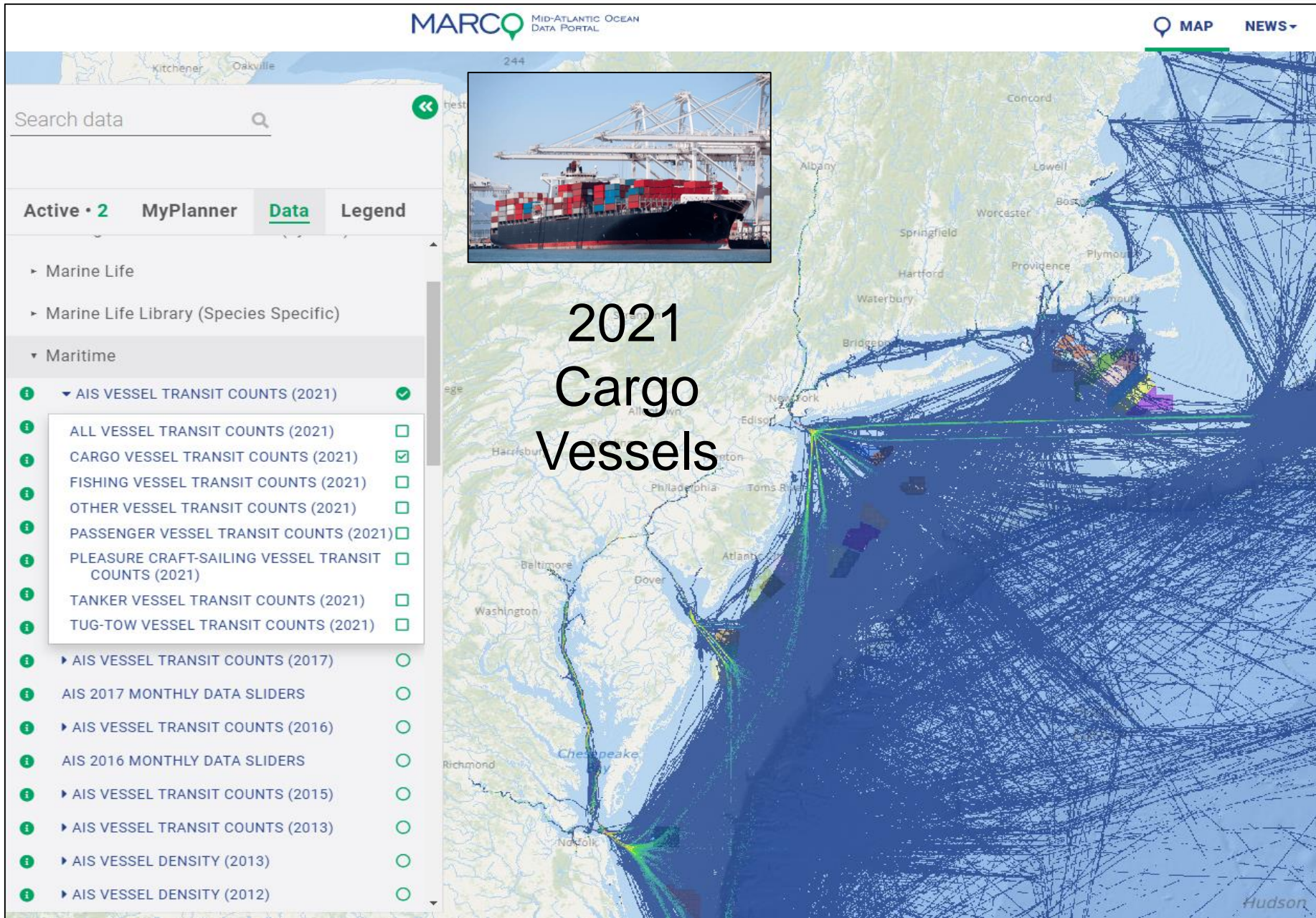














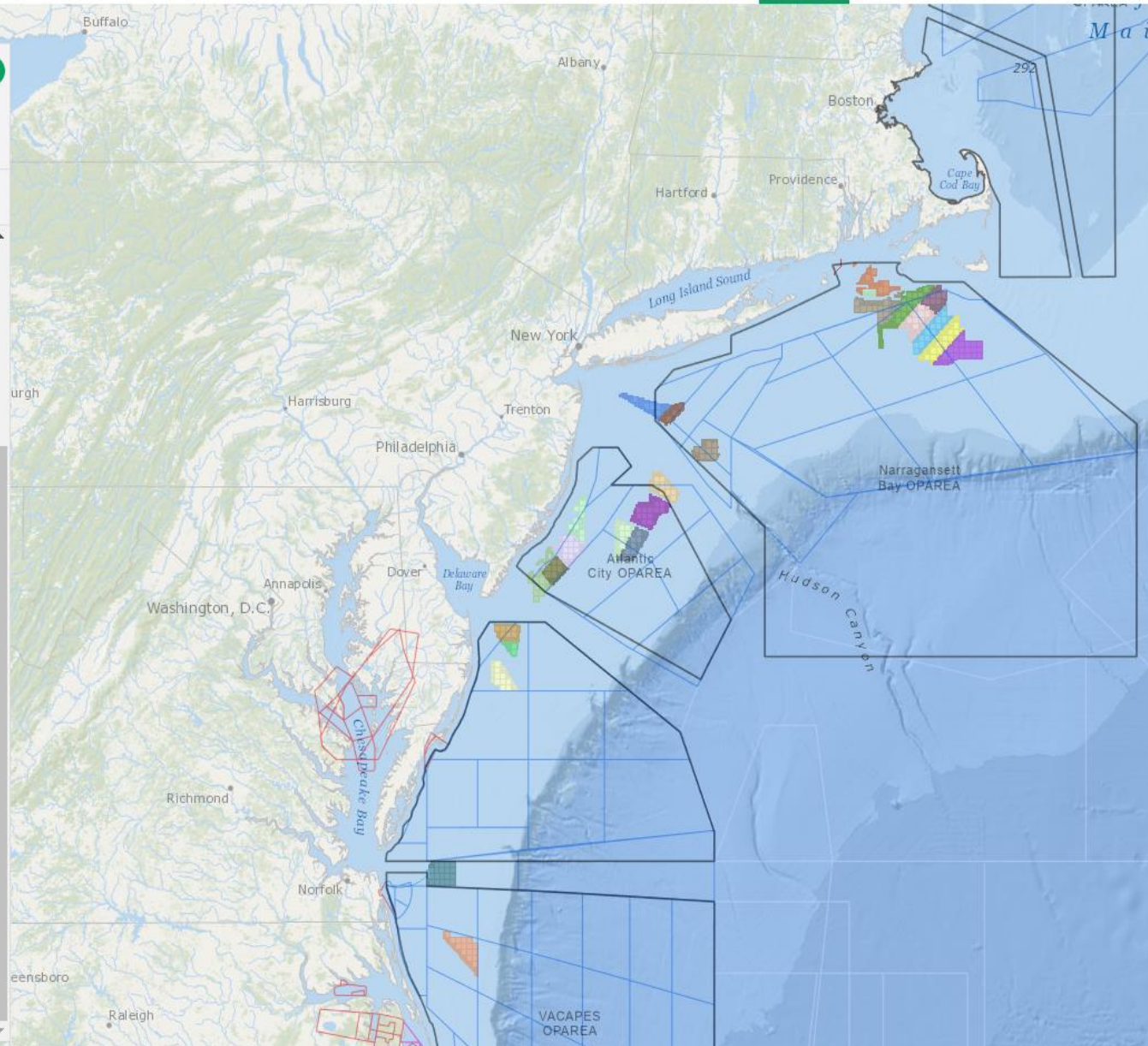
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# New Jersey's Commercial Fisheries

**Table 6. Sales, Income and Value-Added Impacts Generated by the U.S. Seafood Industry, 2018 (thousands of dollars)**

State	Sales	Income	Value Added
U.S. Total	\$165,063,417	\$42,899,203	\$67,058,135
California	\$29,081,406	\$6,135,840	\$10,259,928
Florida	\$19,200,443	\$3,591,245	\$6,422,185
Massachusetts	\$16,047,420	\$3,940,967	\$6,131,820
New Jersey	\$10,266,150	\$2,109,011	\$3,555,401
Washington	\$8,333,266	\$2,153,320	\$3,317,018
New York	\$6,708,367	\$1,388,413	\$2,329,948
Texas	\$5,393,461	\$1,317,551	\$2,083,863
Alaska	\$4,386,922	\$1,945,289	\$2,412,608
Maine	\$3,268,748	\$952,033	\$1,426,818
Virginia	\$3,239,457	\$799,762	\$1,248,196
Georgia	\$3,049,051	\$668,751	\$1,105,417
Maryland	\$2,518,497	\$581,825	\$927,821
Louisiana	\$2,039,601	\$750,091	\$1,020,285
Oregon	\$1,335,925	\$456,662	\$644,824
Rhode Island	\$951,999	\$232,939	\$367,585
North Carolina	\$862,164	\$232,277	\$351,716
Hawai'i	\$776,205	\$233,373	\$343,554
Connecticut	\$720,408	\$147,447	\$248,453
New Hampshire	\$655,022	\$165,382	\$256,404
Alabama	\$610,479	\$236,815	\$312,035
Mississippi	\$316,859	\$124,857	\$161,775
South Carolina	\$174,821	\$49,626	\$73,865
Delaware	\$83,705	\$16,436	\$27,626

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# New Jersey's Commercial Fisheries

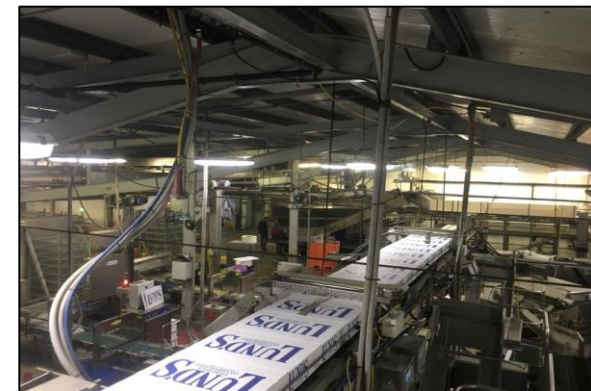


## New Jersey's Commercial Fishing Ports



### 2018 Economic Impacts of the New Jersey Seafood Industry (millions of dollars)

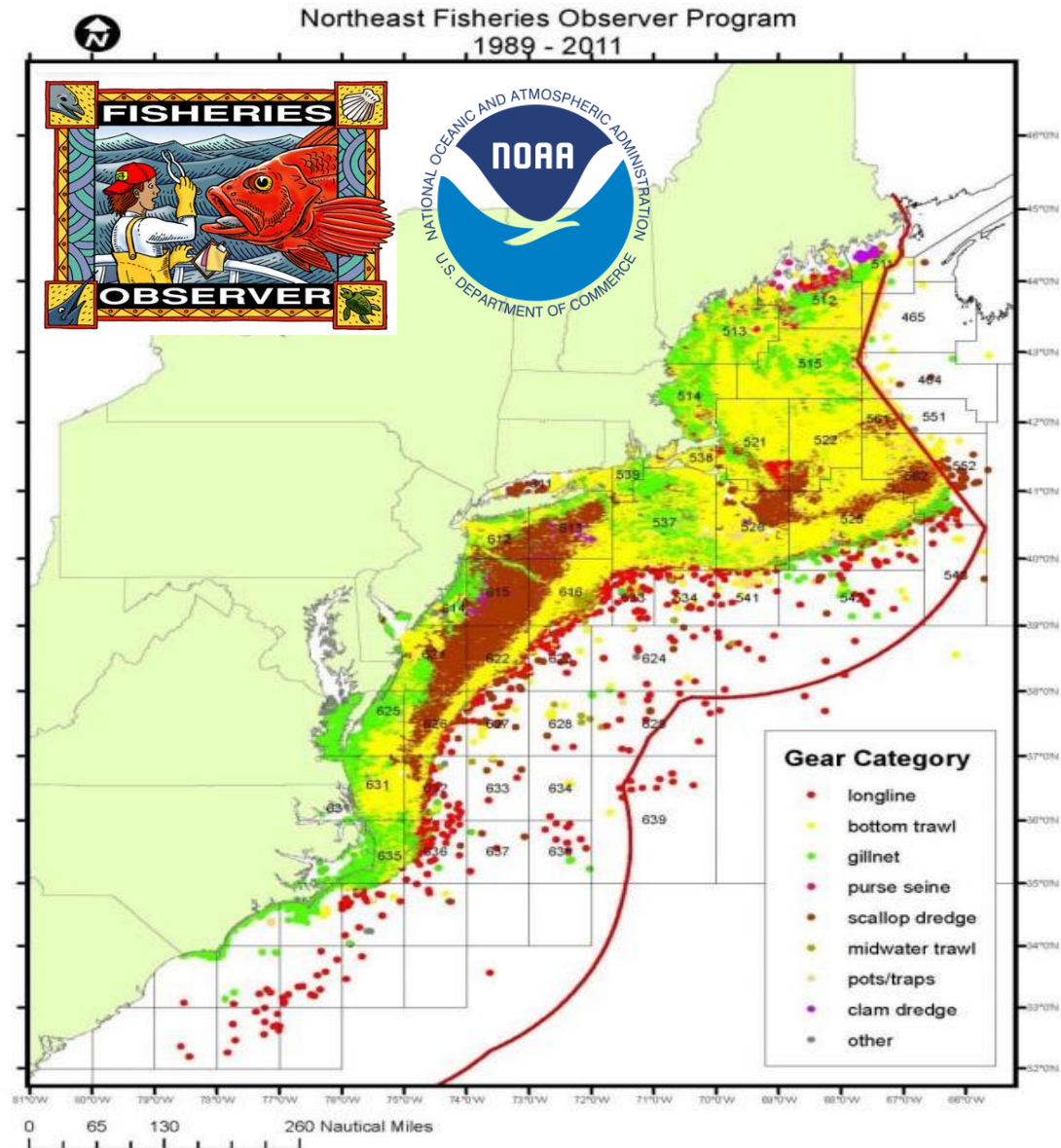
		With Imports		
	#Jobs	Sales	Income	Value Added
Total Impacts	49,398	10,266	2,109	3,555
Commercial Harvesters	1,996	274	72	117
Seafood Processors & Dealers	1,575	171	65	85
Importers	24,930	8,068	1,293	2,459
Seafood Wholesalers & Distributors	4,061	760	244	332
Retail	16,835	993	435	562



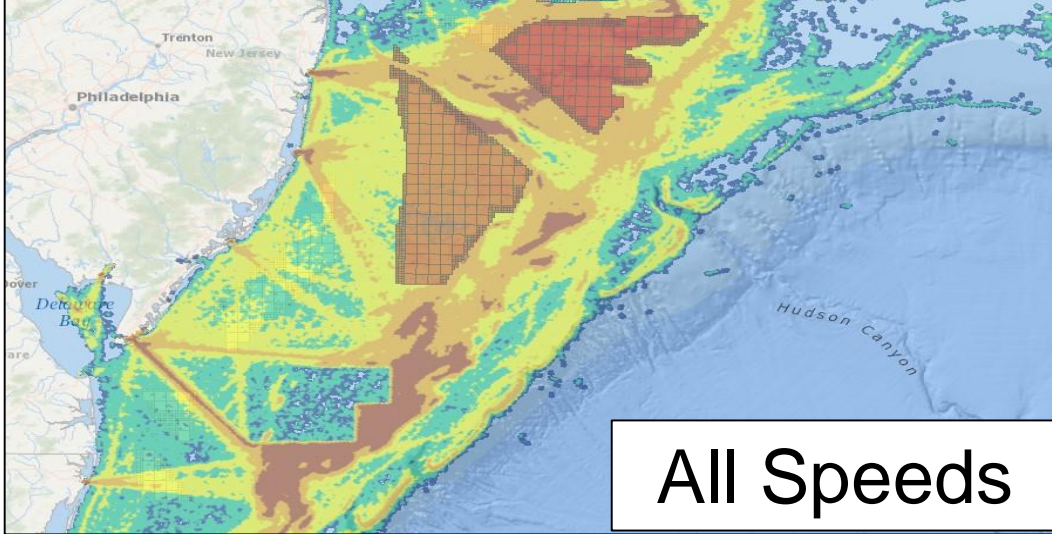
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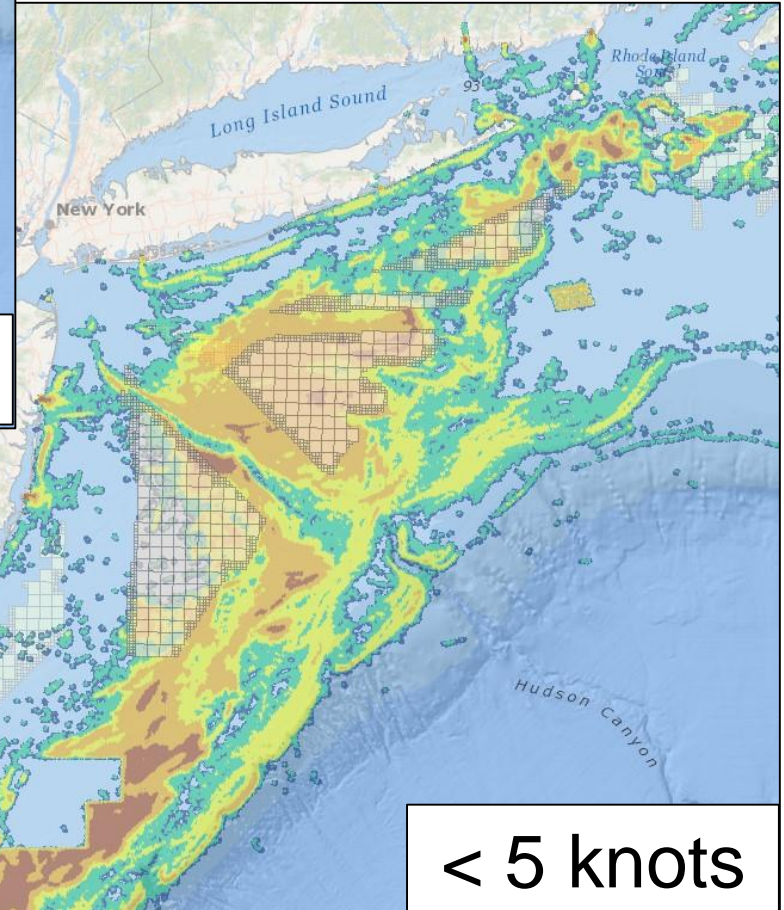






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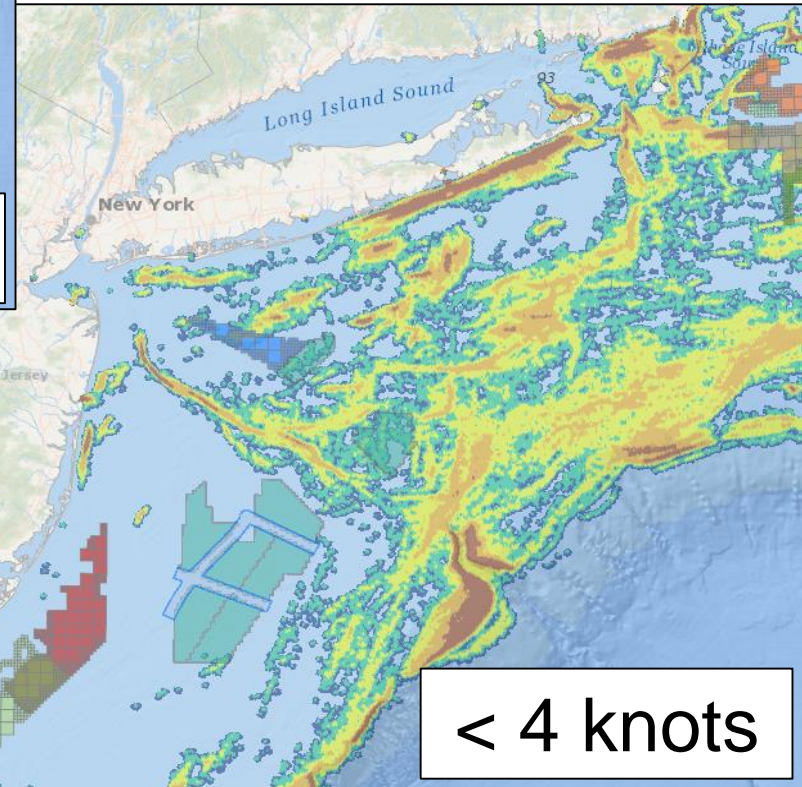
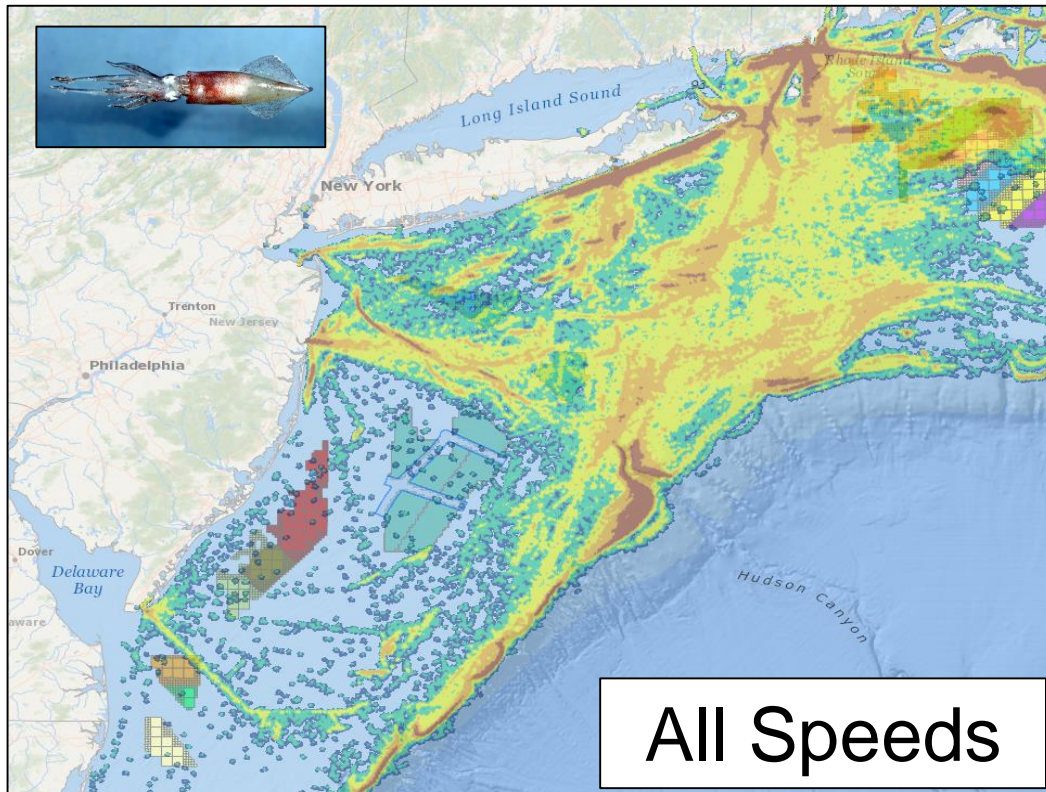
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# New Jersey's Recreational Fisheries

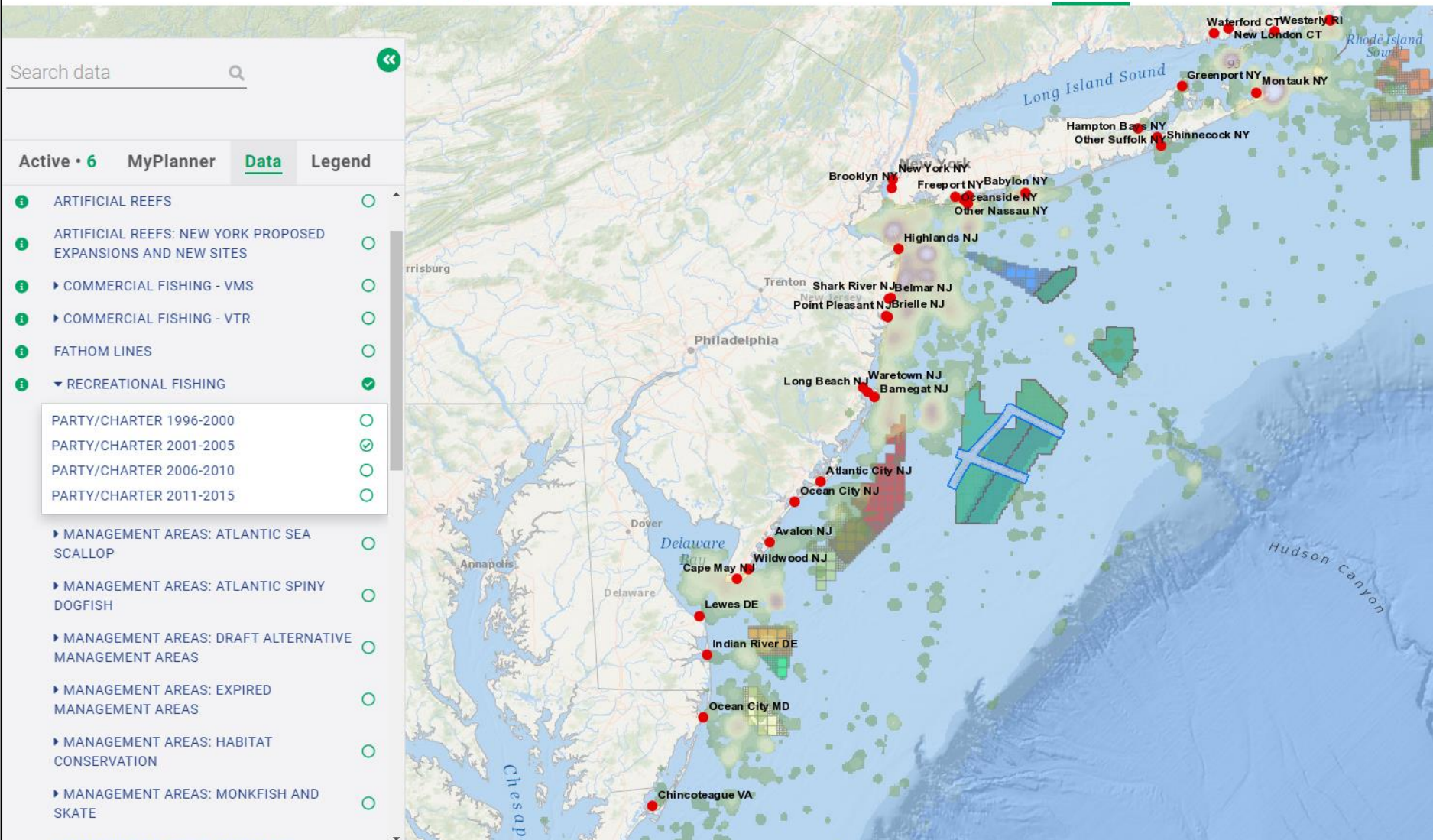
**2018 Economic Impacts of New Jersey Recreational Fishing Expenditures (thousands of dollars)**

		#Jobs	Sales	Income	Value Added
Trip Impacts by Fishing Mode	For-Hire	464	49,439	18,030	31,067
	Private Boat	1,891	322,462	127,590	204,737
	Shore	1,391	198,335	86,196	132,974
Total Durable Expenditures		10,649	1,329,984	582,861	902,905
Total State Economic Impacts		14,395	1,900,220	814,677	1,271,683

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**Socioeconomic Impacts of Atlantic Offshore Wind Development**

December 06, 2022

Reports summarizing previous fishing activity within each offshore wind lease area and approved project area.

[Data](#) | [New England/Mid-Atlantic](#)

NOAA Fisheries developed reports summarizing fishing activity from 2008-2021 within each offshore wind lease area and currently approved project area along the U.S. Atlantic Coast from Maine to North Carolina. Lease areas used for these reports reflect areas posted on the [Bureau of Ocean Energy Management \(BOEM\) website](#) as of August 19, 2022.

**More Information**

- Offshore Wind Energy Development in New England/Mid-Atlantic Waters

**Report Contents**

For commercial fishing trips in each lease area, these reports highlight annualized landings and revenue by species, gear type, fishery management plan, port, and state; individual vessel fishing revenue dependence within the area; small and large business count and associated revenue; fishing effort (count of vessels and trips) by species, fishery, and port; and area-based annual landings and revenue as a percentage of total regional values for each species and fishery. Party/charter vessel reports highlight annualized kept catch by species and management category (a proxy for fishery management plan), annualized revenue based on passenger fees and number of anglers per trip, annualized vessel and angler trips by port, and vessel/angler dependence upon operations in each lease area.

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### Atlantic Shores North (OCS-A-0549)

- [Commercial](#)
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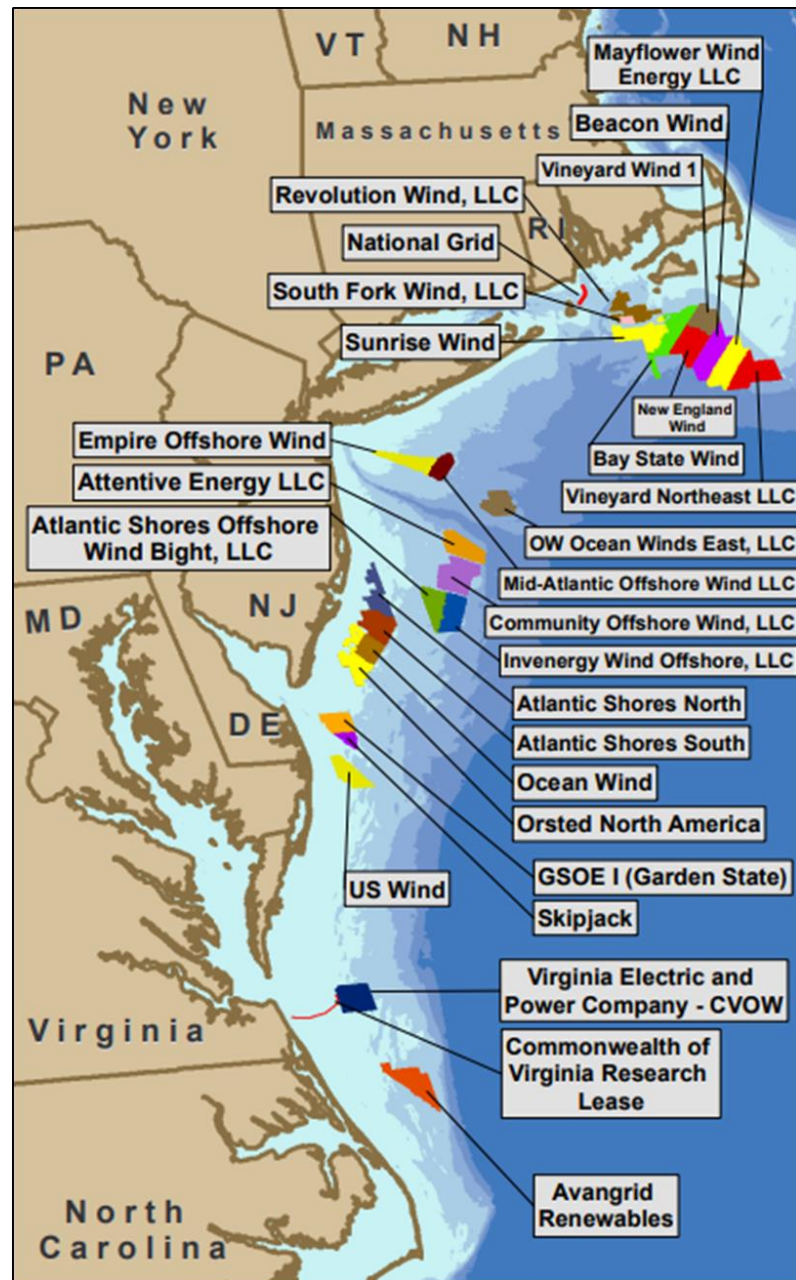
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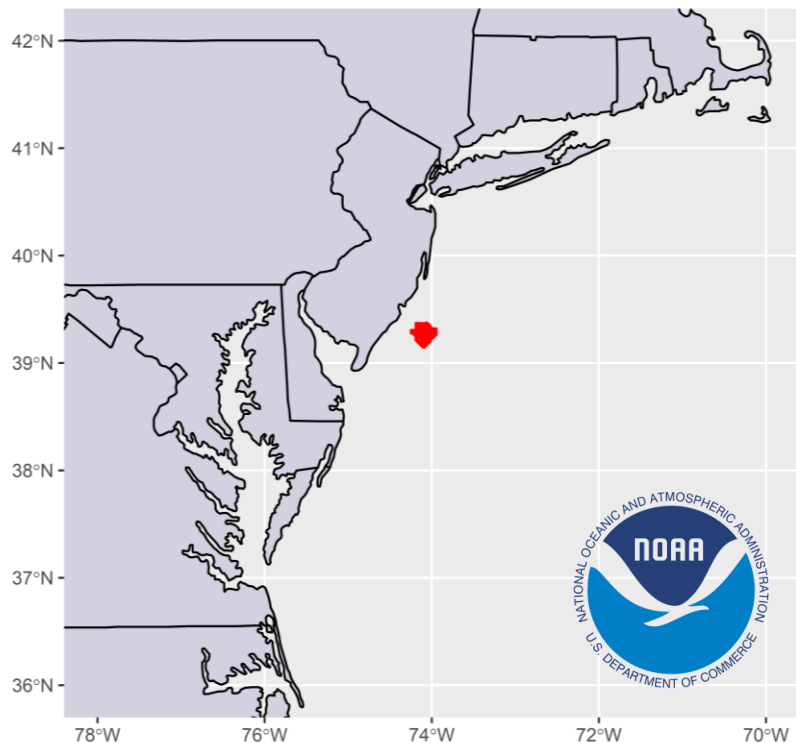
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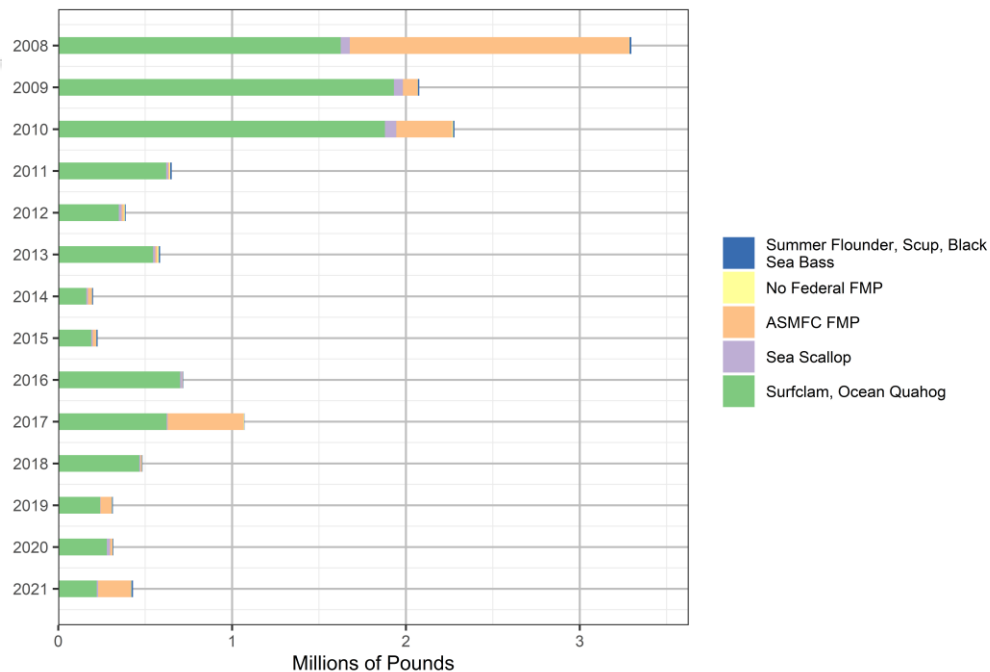
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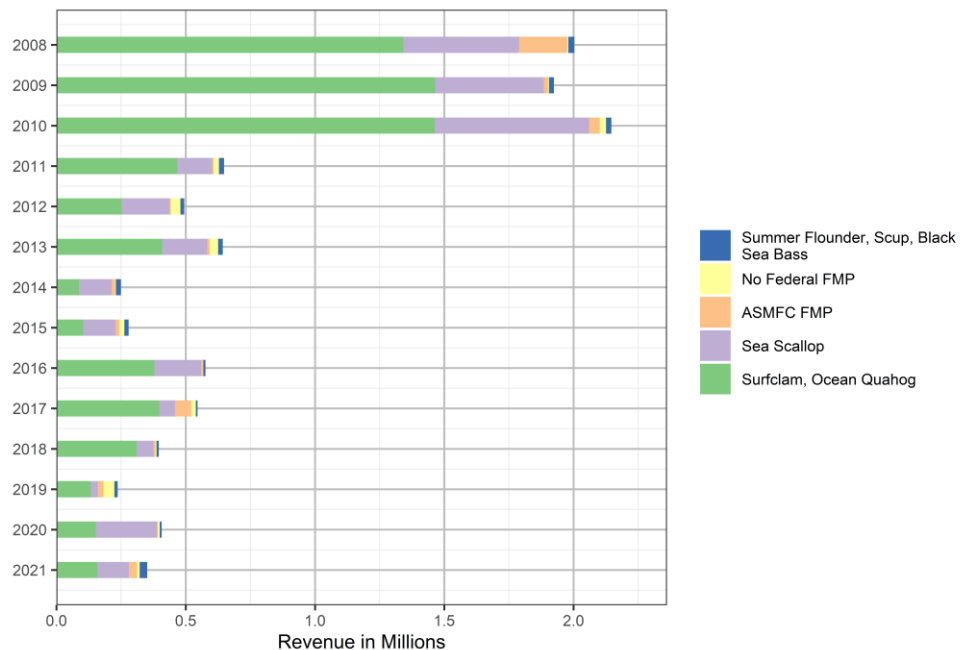




### Landings from Most Impacted FMPs, OCS-A 0499



### Revenue from Most Impacted FMPs, OCS-A 0499



<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/resource/data/socioeconomic-impacts-atlantic-offshore-wind-development>

# Potential Fisheries Impacts

- **Accessibility:** Before, during, and after construction
  - Placement and spacing of turbines and cables
  - During fishing activities and while transiting – *also, research surveys.*
  - Cumulative impacts
- **Ecosystem Impacts:** Influences on physical and biological processes
  - Ocean-atmosphere interactions, surface and bottom currents
  - Distribution, behavior, reproduction, and survival of marine fishery resources
- **Navigation and Safety:** During fishing activities and while transiting
  - Varying weather conditions, different user groups, radar impacts





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The following list describes specific research recommendations gathered from the surveys, categorized by broad topic area.

1. BUSINESS, COMMUNITIES, & SOCIOECONOMICS
2. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS
3. FISHING REGULATIONS AND MANAGEMENT IMPACTS
4. MONITORING AND REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS
5. SAFETY
6. SUPPLY CHAIN
7. TRANSMISSION



June 2019

**Guidelines for Providing Information on Fisheries for Renewable  
Energy Development on the Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf  
Pursuant to 30 CFR Part 585**

**I. Guidance Document Statement**

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) issues guidance documents to clarify, supplement, and provide more detail about certain BOEM regulatory requirements and to outline the information required of the lessee to support their various submittals. This guidance document sets forth a policy and an interpretation of a regulatory requirement to provide a clear and consistent approach to complying with that requirement. A lessee may use an alternate approach for compliance; however, early and frequent coordination with BOEM will be especially critical to ensure the work conducted meets BOEM's regulatory requirements.

The overall purpose of the required information is to describe the key species and habitat within the survey area possibly affected by the proposed operations. The fisheries survey plan should aim to:

- Identify and confirm which dominant benthic, demersal, and pelagic species are using the project site, and when these species may be present where development is proposed;
- Establish a pre-construction baseline which may be used to assess whether detectable changes associated with proposed operations occurred in post-construction abundance and distribution of fisheries;
- Collect additional information aimed at reducing uncertainty associated with baseline estimates and/or to inform the interpretation of research results; and
- Develop an approach to quantify any substantial changes in the distribution and abundance of fisheries associated with proposed operations.

<https://www.boem.gov/sites/default/files/renewable-energy-program/Regulatory-Information/BOEM-Fishery-Guidelines.pdf>



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# Collaborating on regional research to inform decision-making at the intersection of offshore wind and fisheries

Offshore wind is expanding along the US East Coast—deepening interest among those active in Atlantic waters in better understanding interactions between offshore wind and ocean ecosystems.

With offshore wind projects spanning multiple states and many organizations launching research, a coordinated approach is needed to ensure credible data is collected and shared.

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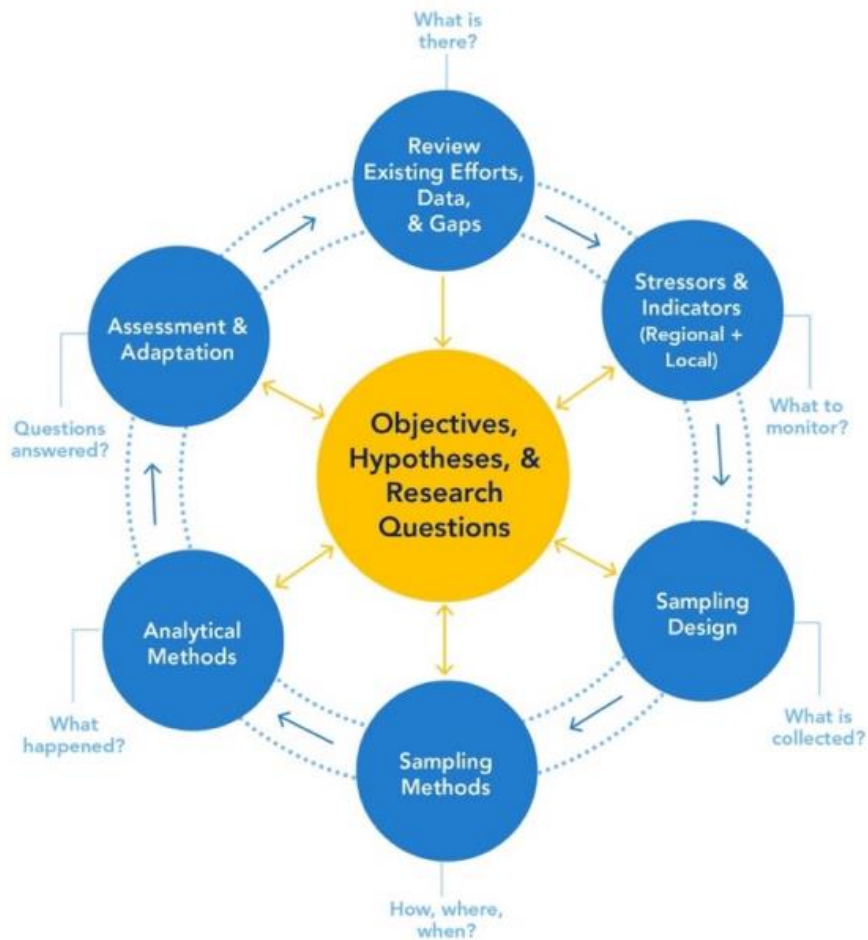
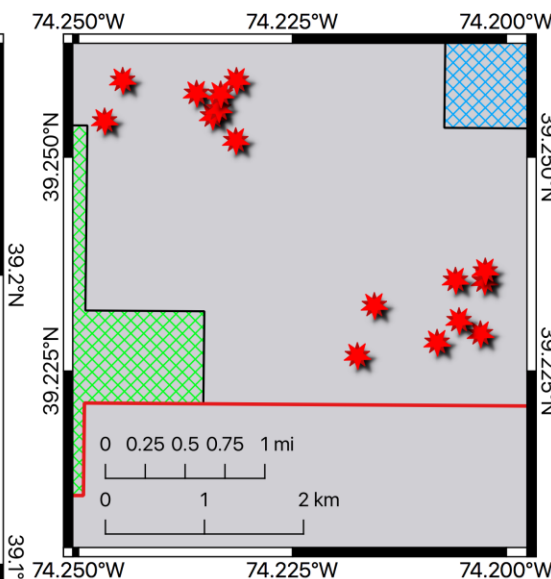
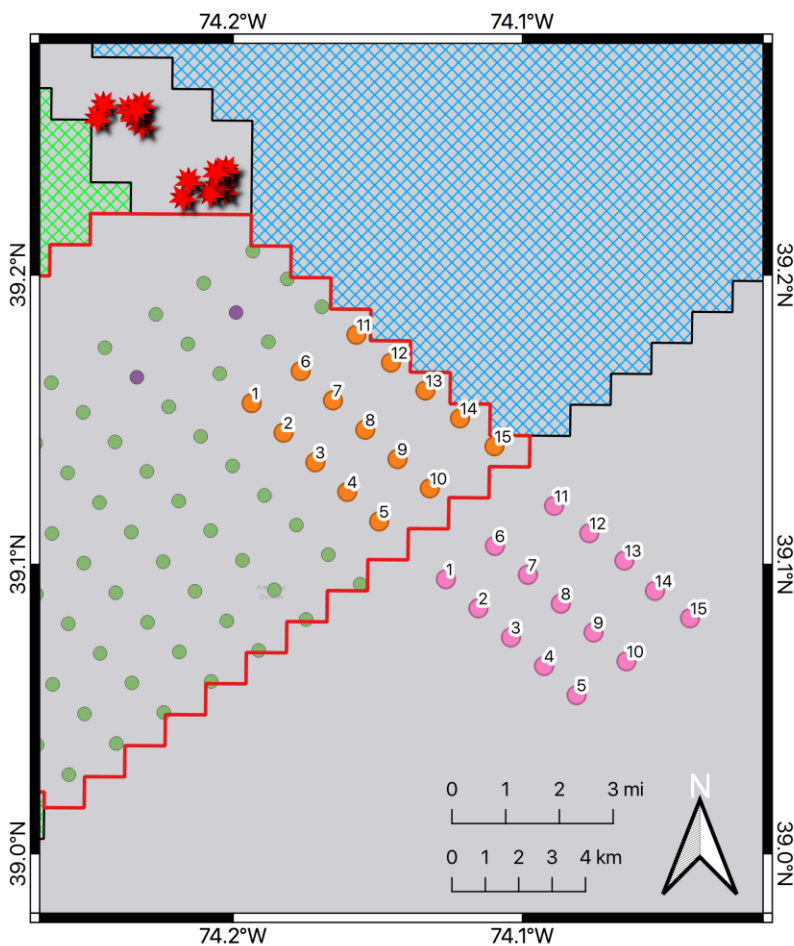


Figure 1: Integrated Monitoring Approach





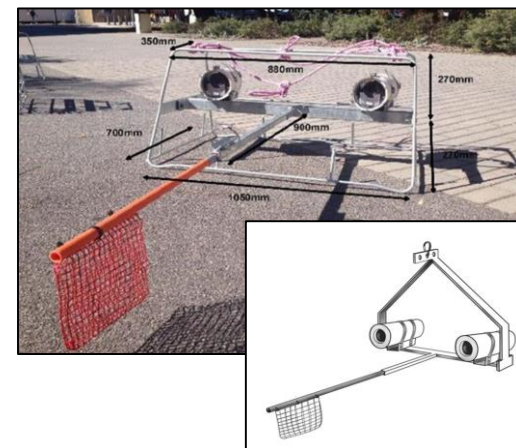
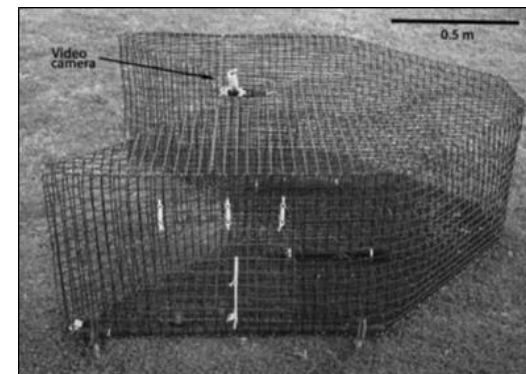


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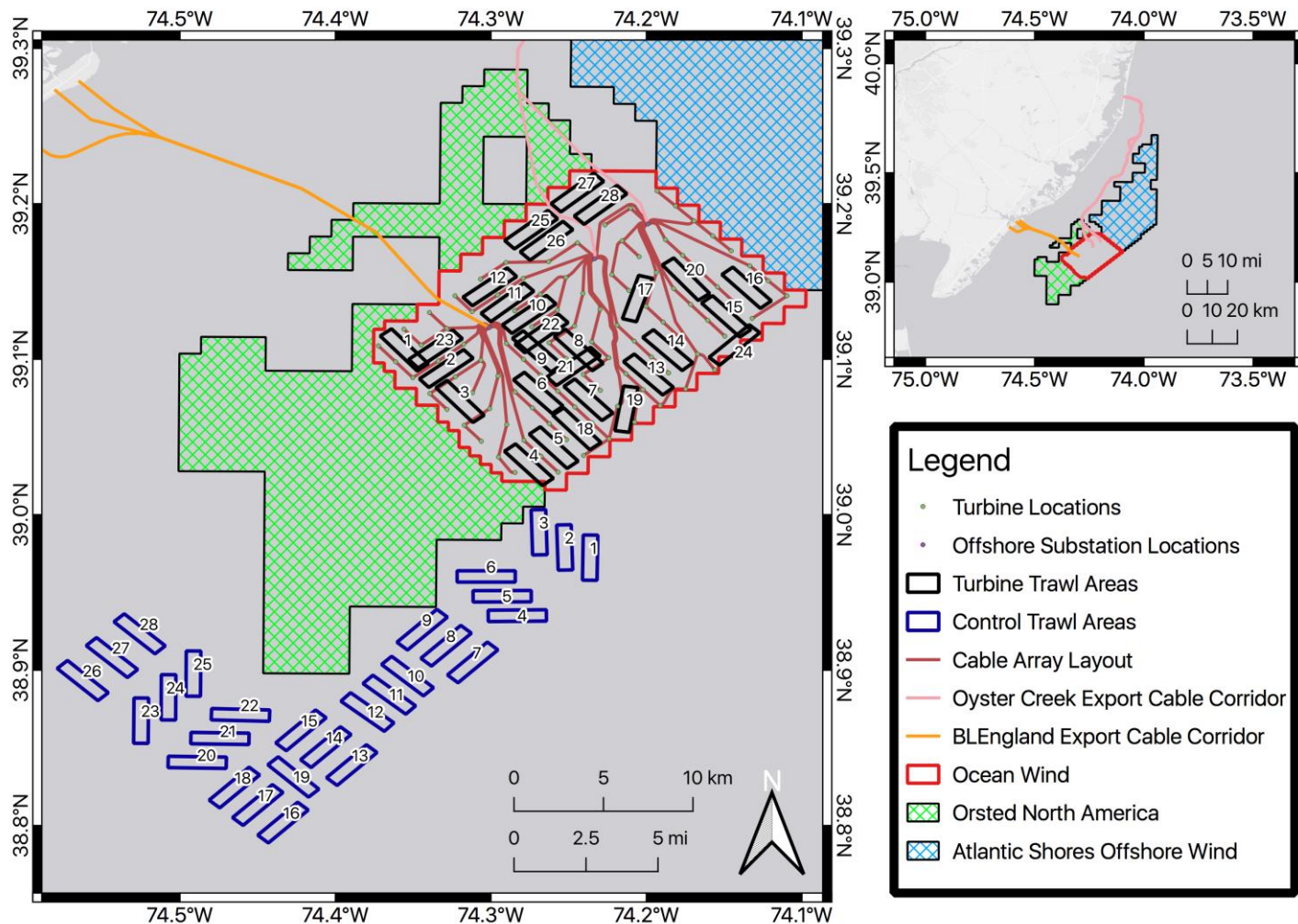


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# Ocean Wind 1 – Fisheries Monitoring Plan





## Rutgers Offshore Wind Living Resource Studies



Turbine Photo credit: Ørsted

### What's happening?

Rutgers University scientists are working to understand and document how offshore wind-powered turbines affect marine animals through changes to their habitat. Data collection for these studies spans many techniques due to the variety of sizes and habits of marine animals.

### What is the approach?

Studies start before wind farm development begins and continues during and after installation for several years. Data collection in an area where a wind farm will be developed is matched by collection in a similar area where development is not happening for comparison. This is because animal communities can change for many reasons aside from wind farm development. The sampling approach allows for some effects to be teased out.

Change to the water environment is the first order driver of changes to habitat use. Enormous forces such as storms and hurricanes, currents from neighboring regions, river discharge off land, atmospheric heating and cooling, already naturally change animal distributions daily, seasonally, and yearly. Harvest can also cause huge changes to marine animal populations from shellfish to whales. Many smaller changes can layer onto this. Rutgers projects are structured to address 5 major processes that wind farms could change with an impact on living resources. These resolve into 5 hypotheses that can be tested:

1. Wind turbine placement could change fishing practices, fish harvest, and therefore fish communities.
2. Wind farm turbines form artificial reefs that could change predator-prey relationships, food habits, and fish community structure.
3. Wind turbines could mix surface and deeper water (layering or "stratification") with consequences to food production.
4. The electromagnetic flux of buried cables that bring power to shore might attract or hinder fish crossing and change migration or movement patterns.
5. Energy use from wind farms instead of fossil fuels could slow or reverse climate change, which already is having a strong effect on marine communities off New Jersey.

<https://rowlrs.marine.rutgers.edu/>

# Reducing or Avoiding Impacts of Offshore Wind Energy on Fisheries

**Draft Fisheries Mitigation Guidance**

## RFI on Fisheries Mitigation Guidance

**Draft Fisheries Mitigation Guidance**

BOEM, in consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and affected coastal states, held virtual public meetings to discuss draft guidance for ways to mitigate impacts from offshore wind projects on commercial and recreational fisheries and fishing. The guidance was developed based on public input received in late 2021.

The [Draft Fisheries Mitigation Guidance](#) was shared with the public for review and input for a 60-day comment period, which closed on Aug. 22, 2022. Comments can be viewed here: <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/BOEM-2022-0033>. Guidelines developed through this process may be updated periodically based upon public feedback and evaluation by BOEM staff.

- [Public meetings Summary](#) (July 11 East Coast Meeting, July 15 West Coast Meeting, July 18 Gulf Coast Meeting, July 21 Developers Meeting)

The workshops primarily engaged commercial and recreational fishermen on the West Coast, the Gulf, and the Atlantic Coast, as well as developers. However, the meetings were open to the general public to participate.

**Resources**

- [Fisheries Mitigation Meeting Presentation](#)
- [Fisheries Mitigation Recording](#)
- [Draft Fisheries Mitigation Guidance](#)
- [Appendix A. Data and Methodology for Developing Revenue Exposure Estimates in the Northeast Atlantic](#)
- [Overview – Guidance for Mitigating Impacts to Commercial and Recreational Fisheries from Offshore Wind Energy Development](#)

<https://www.boem.gov/renewable-energy/reducing-or-avoiding-impacts-offshore-wind-energy-fisheries>



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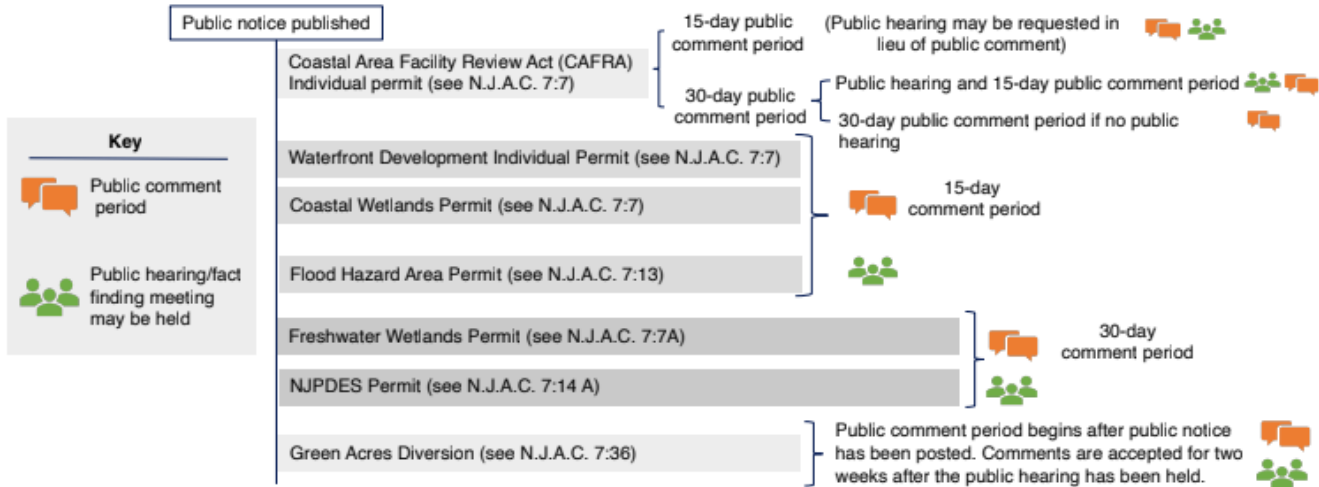
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## State Permits and Approvals

The following permits or approvals only apply if a portion of an offshore wind project, such as an export cable, falls within state lands or jurisdictional waters. Each approval and permit serves a different purpose in ensuring the conservation of New Jersey's natural resources for the benefit of the people of New Jersey. It is at the discretion of the offshore wind developer as to the timing of submitting the applications for these permits and approvals as they must navigate both federal and state processes while weighing other projects considerations.

Following the submission of an application, the DEP will publish a public notice that the application is available for public review in the NJDEP Bulletin. The date of this publication typically commences a public comment period. The length of the comment period generally varies from 15 to 30 days, depending on the permit or approval. For some permits or certifications, a public hearing or fact-finding meeting may be held by the DEP or may be requested during the public comment period.



 **Public Comment Period:** Allows interested parties, including the public, opportunities to provide formal written comments on permits, certifications, and other state regulatory actions for proposed offshore wind development projects. Comments are accepted via email or by mail and in some cases written requests for a public hearing may be accepted. See NJ Bulletin for notice of public comment periods.

 **Public Hearing/Fact Finding Meeting:** Allows the state regulatory agency to engage in additional fact-finding meetings and opportunities for interested parties, including the public, to provide oral comments and voice concerns regarding proposed activities. A public hearing may be requested during the formal comment period in writing. See NJ Bulletin for notices of public hearings.



## Opportunities for Public Participation in Offshore Wind Planning in New Jersey

February 2020

Prepared for the New Jersey Climate Change Alliance

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This guide provides New Jersey citizens with background information regarding the developing offshore wind energy sector, how to be engaged in that process, and links to additional resources.

### WHAT IS OFFSHORE WIND ENERGY?

Offshore wind energy is a form of renewable energy produced when wind and air currents are captured out at sea and converted into electricity. According to the US Energy Information Administration in 2018, natural gas and nuclear power together provided 94% of New Jersey's utility-scale electricity net generation (<https://www.eia.gov/state/?sid=NJ>). Several companies will soon begin to construct wind turbines in the ocean off of New Jersey to meet New Jersey's [energy goal](#) of 7,500 megawatts of offshore wind energy generation by the year 2035.

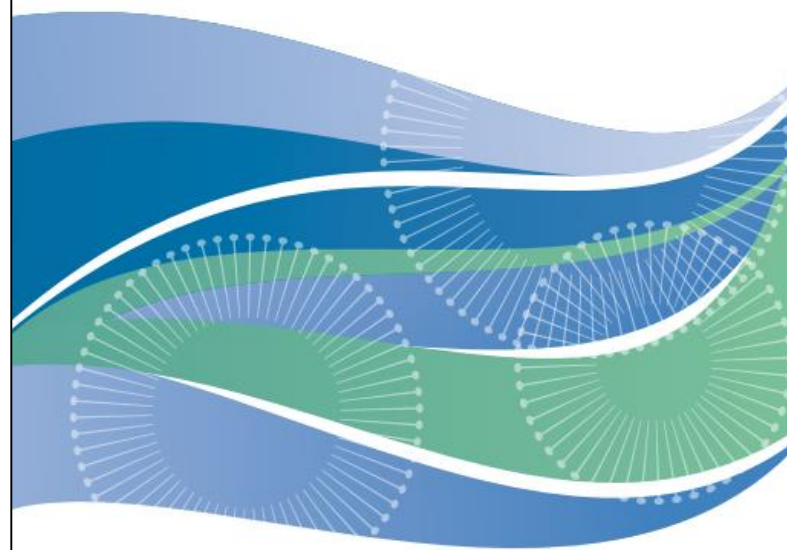
Offshore wind turbines look like enormous fans, with long blades that spin on top of a tower. The tower can float in the ocean, or developers can attach the tower to the ocean floor. As the wind passes through the turbine blades, the rotation creates the power that will get distributed onshore to NJ for use by residents, businesses, and others in the region.

<https://njadapt.rutgers.edu/docman-lister/resource-pdfs/207-opportunities-for-public-participation-in-offshore-wind-planning-in-new-jersey/file>

## A Citizen's Guide

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