

BOEM Briefing Agenda Items for December NEFMC and MAFMC Meetings

- The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), working with the National Marine Fisheries Service and affected coastal states, is developing guidance to be used in developing plans and environmental reviews for reducing or avoiding impacts from offshore wind projects on commercial and recreational fisheries and fishing. For Information, meetings being held and how to submit comments please go here: <https://www.boem.gov/renewable-energy/fishing-industry-communication-and-engagement>
- New York Bight Final Sale Notice is still expected in late 2021/early 2022. There will be a follow-up meeting with the fishing industry following the publication of the Final Sale Notice.
- Central Atlantic Leasing: BOEM has begun preliminary work on identifying planning areas for wind energy development in the Central Atlantic (roughly Delaware to Cape Hatteras). The results of initial data collection and the draft planning areas will be shared during a series of stakeholder specific engagement meetings, refined based on feedback into a draft Call Area, and then shared at a Regional Interagency Task Force Meeting in February 2022.
- Gulf of Maine: BOEM is in receipt of a research lease application from the State of Maine for an offshore wind demonstration project. BOEM is considering this application as well as the potential for commercial development in the Gulf of Maine.
- Anticipated projects beginning environmental review in 2022 include the following:

Project Name	NOI	DEIS	FEIS	ROD
COPs submitted and permitting timetables published				
Ocean Wind	3/30/2021	5/27/2022	2/17/2023	3/31/2023
Revolution Wind	4/30/2021	7/1/2022	3/24/2023	5/1/2023
Empire Wind	6/24/2021	8/12/2022	4/28/2023	6/12/2023
New England Wind (formerly VW South)	6/30/2021	8/26/2022	6/23/2023	7/23/2023
CVOW Commercial	7/2/2021	8/1/2022	5/1/2023	6/1/2023
Kitty Hawk	7/30/2021	9/30/2022	6/23/2023	8/3/2023
Atlantic Shores	9/30/2021	12/2/2022	8/4/2023	9/29/2023