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Ways to Take Action on Offshore Wind
OCEAN INDUSTRIALIZATION: TOO MUCH ~ TOO FAST
MAKE YOUR VOICES HEARD! TAKE ACTION TODAY!

Current offshore wind (OSW) energy development off the New York and New Jersey coasts is being recklessly proposed without recent and peer-reviewed science, good governance, due diligence based on a pilot-scale project, and without ecosystem monitoring and assessments developed, implemented, and evaluated by independent scientists. See below for opportunities to support responsible and reasonable (OSW) energy development. For additional updates and resources, go to CleanOceanAction.org.



Action #1: WRITE AND SUBMIT COMMENTS BY FEBRUARY 5 TO HELP STOP THE HARASSMENT OF 1,533 MARINE MAMMALS from marine site characterizations proposed by Atlantic Shores, LLC's offshore wind projects off New Jersey, New York, Delaware, and Maryland. The company requests an incidental harassment authorization ("IHA") to "take" or "harass" different endangered and protected marine mammal species.

- A. [Review the Public Notice](#) for the IHA proposal.
- B. Check out CleanOceanAction.org for more resources and previous COA comments on IHA proposals.
- C. Write comments with your concerns addressed to: Jolie Harrison, Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.
- D. Send comments via email to ITP.clevenstine@noaa.gov **by 11:59pm on February 5, 2024.**

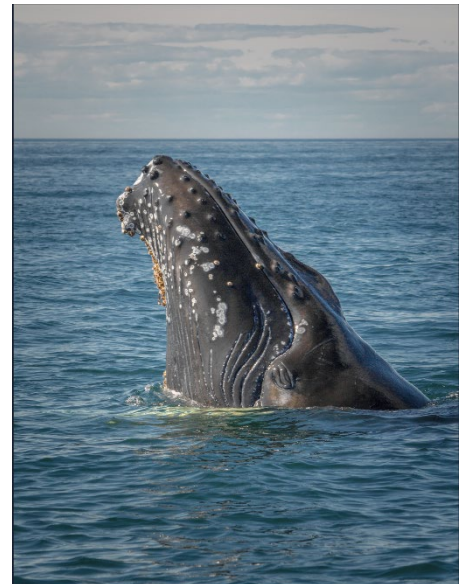


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Action #2: TAKE ACTION TO RAISE CONCERNS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF OFFSHORE WIND DEVELOPMENT IN SIX AREAS OFF THE NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY COAST, ABOUT 488,000 ACRES OF OCEAN.

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is seeking additional information on important resources and issues, potential impacts to the environment, and programmatic avoidance, minimization, mitigation, and monitoring measures found in the Draft PEIS.

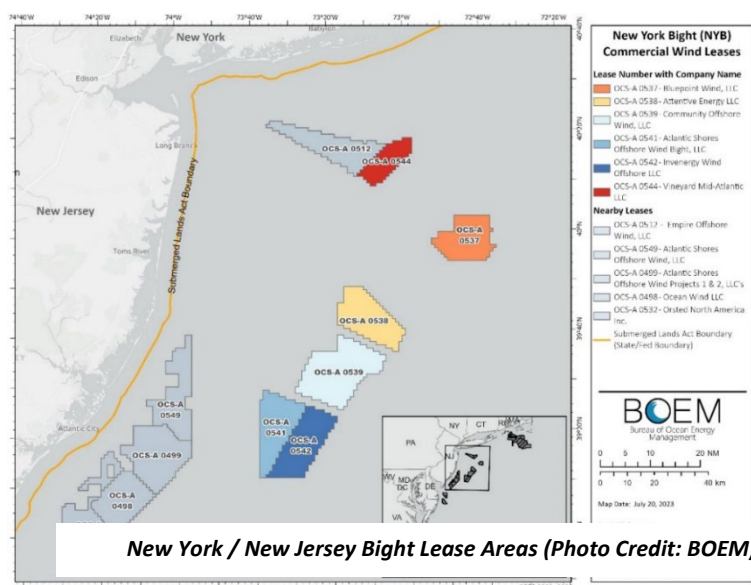
- ✓ [Click here to review the documents about the Draft PEIS.](#)

- ✓ **Write and submit comments by February 26, 2024: DEMAND** a 90-day extension to the public comment period and share your concerns. Right now, the public was given only 45 days to review this monstrous 1,429-page document, with impacts to nearly half a million acres of ocean!

- [Click here to submit a comment.](#) Follow the prompts to complete.
- Share this action opportunity with friends, neighbors, families, and businesses.

- ✓ **SAVE THE DATES and MAKE PLANS to attend in-person and virtual public meetings.** Attend the meetings, sign up to speak and make your voice heard by sharing your concerns for this PEIS!

- *Virtual public meetings. Registration is required:*
 - Jan. 31, 2024, 5:00 p.m. ET - [Registration](#)
 - Feb. 13, 2024, 1:00 p.m. ET - [Registration](#)
- *In-person public meetings. [Registration is encouraged.](#)*
 - Feb. 5, 2024, 4:00 p.m. ET, Univ. of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, The Marketplace, MacLean Campus Center, 285 Old Westport Rd, North Dartmouth, MA 02747
 - Feb. 7, 2024, 4:00 p.m. ET, Stony Brook University, Bauman Center for Leadership and Service, Benedict D013, Room C029, 200 Circle Rd, Stony Brook, NY 11790
 - Feb. 8, 2024, 4:00 p.m. ET, Clarion Hotel, 815 Route 37 West, Toms River, NJ 08755



New York / New Jersey Bight Lease Areas (Photo Credit: BOEM)

CURRENT GOVERNMENT PLANS FOR OFFSHORE WIND ARE RECKLESS

According to the NMFS, by 2030 the Northeast marine ecosystem will be occupied by:

- ✓ **Over 2.4 million acres** of offshore wind (OSW) leases (twice the size of Grand Canyon National Park)
 - ✓ **3,400 turbines** (as tall as the Chrysler Building)
 - ✓ **10,000 miles of** submarine cables (3 ½ times the distance from LA to NYC)
- PLUS, **an additional 5.7 million acres** is under review for development.

Offshore wind energy is renewable but will impact the ocean and marine life. The current scope, magnitude, and speed of the industrialization for wind energy are unprecedented and will result in vast marine ecosystem destruction. Studies to determine impacts are underway, but are too little too late, and cumulative impacts are largely ignored. There are cheaper, faster, and safer energy-wise solutions that can be implemented now on land, such as energy waste and use reduction.

Clean Ocean Action (COA) is not opposed to responsible and reasonable offshore wind (OSW) development that supports and sustains a healthy ocean, as proven through recent and peer-reviewed science, good governance, and due diligence based on a pilot-scale project, with ecosystem monitoring and assessments developed, implemented, and evaluated by independent scientists.