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A HIGH ROAD VISION FOR OFFSHORE WIND



Offshore wind energy stands to add billions of dollars to Oregon's economy in the coming decades. Construction of offshore wind platforms and associated infrastructure has the potential to add up to 66,000 jobs by 2050, in addition to jobs from operations, maintenance, and associated economic activities.



By creating a high road vision for offshore wind development, we can ensure these jobs provide living wages and good benefits, safe and healthy work conditions, and apprenticeship opportunities.

OFFSHORE WIND DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

Overseen by the federal Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), the process begins by selecting specific areas off our coast for development. BOEM then leases those areas to developers through an auction that can provide benefits to local communities and workers. They then conduct a rigorous federal and state review process of siting and permitting before projects can be built.



~2 YEARS

- Intergovernmental Task Force
- Request for Information or Call for Information and Nominations
- Area Identification
- Environmental Reviews

~1-2 YEARS

- Publish Leasing Notices
- Conduct Auction or Negotiate Lease Terms
- Issue Lease(s)

UP TO 5 YEARS

- Site Characterization
- Site Assessment Plan

~3 YEARS (+25)

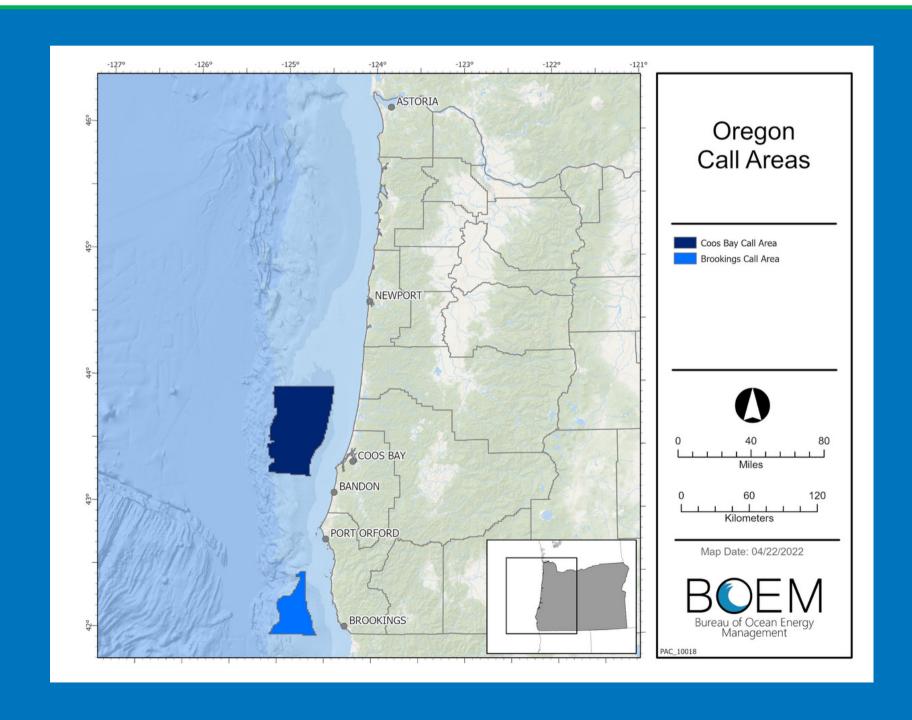
- Construction & Operations Plan
- Facility Design Report and Fabrication & Installation Report
- Decommissioning
- Environmental and Technical Reviews



OFFSHORE WIND SITE SELECTION & PROCESS SO FAR

BOEM has been doing engagement and technical work for years to select a site off of the Oregon Coast.

They released the draft Call Areas (see map) selecting areas off the coast of Coos Bay & Brookings for public comment and next will release Wind Energy Areas within those Call Areas.



OPPORTUNITIES TO CREATE A PATH TO HIGH ROAD DEVELOPMENT

PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS

This prehire collective bargaining agreement ensures workers will be fairly compensated with safe working conditions. PLAs are already a key element of ensuring high-road, onshore development of renewable energy in Oregon.

COMMUNITY BENEFIT AGREEMENTS

A financial commitment by companies to support the local community and impacted stakeholders, helping mitigate any unwanted impacts and build shared prosperity.



OPPORTUNITIES TO CREATE A PATH TO HIGH ROAD DEVELOPMENT

UNION APPRENTICESHIP & WORKFORCE TRAINING

The complex and varied nature of development requires a high-skilled workforce to support development, construction, assembly, and operations. Recent lease auctions rewarded companies committing to train local workers.

LABOR HARMONY AGREEMENTS

An agreement with a developer to secure union neutrality, card check neutrality, commitment to a domestic supply chain, and stringent health and safety standards, wages, and benefits.



OPPORTUNITIES TO CREATE A PATH TO HIGH ROAD DEVELOPMENT CONTINUED

ONSHORE SUPPLY CHAIN

With the West Coast poised to be a key area for emerging offshore wind energy technology, requiring companies to use domestic suppliers will boost our regional economy.

INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION AND FLOATING WIND FABRICATION

Construction and assembly of offshore wind platforms will bring new opportunities to port communities.

Abundant, affordable energy will encourage manufacturing facilities in the area as well.



OREGON OFFSHORE WIND JOB CREATION SCENARIOS: 2023-2050

Construction



45,000 - 66,000 Jobs

Higher Scenario



13,000 - 21,000 Jobs

Lower Scenario



\$69,500

Annual Average Wage

Operations & Maintenance



2,300 - 3,400 Jobs

Higher Scenario



900 - 1,400 Jobs

Lower Scenario



\$71,500

Annual Average Wage

Higher scenario modeled on 5.5 gigawatts of energy by 2050, lower scenario modeled on 2.9 gigawatts of energy by 2050, construction job is equivalent to 1 FTE for a year. Another comprehensive workforce study will be needed to explore 3 gigawatts and different policy interventions when it comes to construction & supply chain.

Source: National Renewable Energy Laboratory, May 2016, Floating Offshore Wind in Oregon: Potential for Jobs and Economic Impacts

Engineers

Welders

Machine setters

Assemblers

Electrical technicians

Environmental scientists

Biologists

Geophysicists

Subsea engineers

Oceanographers

Shipping Vessel Crews

Tugboat crews

Laborers

Longshoremen

Crane Operators

Surveyors

Turbine Technicians

Pile Drivers

Commercial Divers

Backhoe Operators

Marine Service Technicians



TYPES OF JOBS INVOLVED IN OFFSHORE WIND

OFFSHORE WIND WINS IN OTHER STATES





MASSACHUSETTS PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT FOR VINEYARD WIND

In July 2021, developer Vineyard Wind signed a PLA with the Southeastern Massachusetts Building Trades that included \$500,000 for pre-apprentice and recruitment programs.



NATIONAL PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT WITH ØRSTED

In May 2022, the North America's Building Trades Unions signed a PLA with the developer Ørsted that will cover all offshore wind projects undertaken by the company in the United States.



CALIFORNIA PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT WITH CADEMO

In November 2022, the State
Building and Construction Trades
Council of California signed a PLA
with developer CADEMO for their
project to build offshore wind
facilities in state waters off Santa
Barbara County.

FLOATING OFFSHORE WIND



The realities of Oregon's ocean will require us to use floating offshore wind – an emerging technology being pioneered in Scotland and Portugal.

California will be the first location in the United States to utilize this technology. This will require a skilled workforce for the development, manufacturing, staging, construction, and operations.

To date, almost all offshore wind energy projects have been at depths of less than 100 meters allowing for a fixed platform on the seabed.

AFFILIATED OFFSHORE WIND JOBS



Transmission and submerged cables

Installation of a submerged coastal cable, substations, and regional transmission will be critical work to ensure power generated gets to a regional transmission with related transmission upgrades.

Shipbuilding and maintenance

The transport of cables, massive floating turbines, and other equipment will require a host of new ships being able to support initial construction and on-going operation and maintenance work in the Southern Oregon coast and along the west coast. Additionally, the emergence of autonomous submerged vehicles provides new and emerging work.

OPPORTUNITY TO SHAPE



WIND ENERGY AREAS

~2 YEARS

Selection of specific areas for development off Coos Bay & Brookings

- Federal National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental assessment
- State review of NEPA
 assessment for consistency
 with Oregon Coastal
 Management Program (OCMP)

Public comment on draft Wind Energy Areas. This is the selection of smaller areas for potential development, reducing environmental impacts and impacts on other ocean activities.

FEDERAL LEASE AUCTION

~1-2 YEARS

BOEM auctions an area of ocean for a potential project

- Winners secure lease to begin assessing projects within Wind Energy Areas
- Past auctions have given weighted preference to buyers that have made commitments toward responsible development

OPPORTUNITY TO SHAPE

Public comment on proposed sale notice. Previous auctions have supported high road development by rewarding developers that commit to Community Benefit Agreements, Workforce Training, and using a domestic supply chain.

OPPORTUNITY TO SHAPE



UP TO 5 YEARS

Federal multi agency environmental and technical assessment

A site-specific evaluation looking at the environmental, geological, and archeological date, as well as feasibility of development Opportunity to address projectspecific environmental, cultural, and economic impacts, as well as transmission and port infrastructure through federal and state siting and permitting processes.

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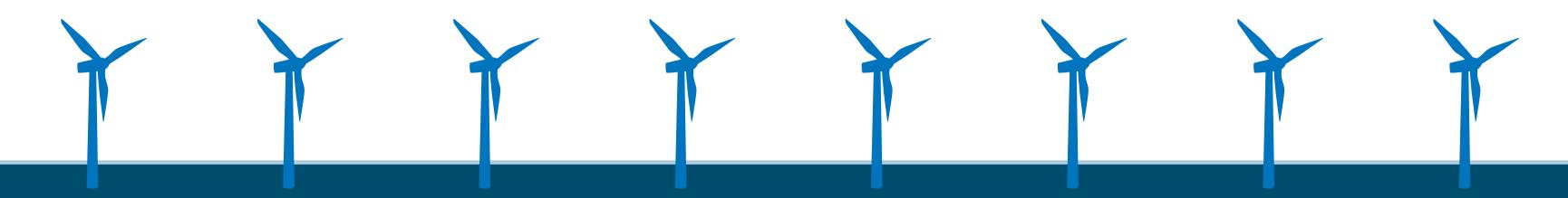
~3 YEARS (+25)

Comprehensive plan submitted that details all facilities and activities related to the project

- Developer submits Construction and Operations Plan (COP) for federal environmental and technical review
- State review for consistency with Coastal Zone Management Act and OCMP

Opportunity to address projectspecific environmental, cultural, and economic impacts, as well as transmission and port infrastructure through federal and state siting and permitting processes.

LABOR'S GOAL FOR OSW



Secure a Project Labor Agreement and Labor Harmony Agreement with the selected developer that:

- Requires union wages and family benefits
- Prioritizes worker safety and respects all workplace laws
- ✓ Includes apprenticeship utilization requirements
- Requires local hire prioritization
- Sets goals for utilizing workforce from underserved communities

NEXT STEPS & ACTIONS TO TAKE

Offshore wind development will be a long process in Oregon, but one with incredible potential for Oregon workers.

Our goal is to keep you updated as this process develops, and ask for you to lend your voice and take action during key points in the process.

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