

You're Invited: Webinar Series to Share Information on Research Related to Renewable Energy off the U.S. West Coast

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The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is pleased to announce the launch of the *West Coast Renewable Energy Science Exchange*, a series of webinars about scientific research offshore California, Oregon, and Washington that will inform decisions about the planning, leasing, and development of ocean renewable energy. Webinars will be led by subject matter experts based in the BOEM Pacific office in Camarillo, California, and will be held at 10:00 a.m. Pacific Time on the second Wednesday of every other month as scheduled in the listing below. Additional information, including webinar access, can be found at www.boem.gov/west-coast-renewable-energy-science-exchange.

The first webinar in the series will provide an overview of floating offshore wind and the use of spatial data on the West Coast. It will be held on November 13 at 10 a.m. Pacific Time and presented by Frank Pendleton, a biologist/geographic information systems (GIS) specialist with the BOEM Pacific office.

November 13, 2019

Overview of spatial data
Frank Pendleton, biologist/ GIS Coordinator

January 8, 2020

Overview of BOEM-funded research about birds and bats
David Pereksta, avian biologist

March 11, 2020

Overview of BOEM-funded research about fish and fisheries
Donna Schroeder, marine ecologist

May 13, 2020

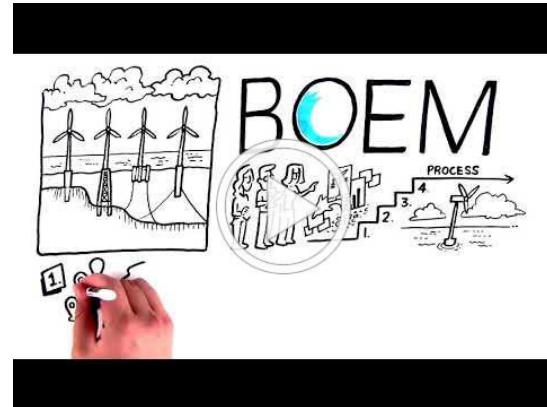
Overview of BOEM-funded research about marine mammals
Desray Reeb, marine biologist

July 8, 2020

Overview of BOEM-funded research about benthic habitats
Lisa Gilbane, biologist

September 9, 2020

Overview of BOEM-funded research about cultural resources
David Ball, marine archaeologist



Click on the link above to learn about offshore wind and BOEM's renewable energy program.

The BOEM Environmental Studies Program (ESP) in the Pacific has funded a diverse array of applied and basic research about the marine, coastal, and human environments offshore California, Oregon, Washington, and Hawaii. The environmental, social, and economic information garnered from ESP studies informs decisions about energy programs on the Pacific Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), which extends from the U.S.-Mexico border to the U.S.-Canada border and includes the OCS of Hawaii.

Since the ESP's inception in 1973, more than 310 Pacific studies have been conducted at a cost of more than \$142 million. While many of these studies have been conducted to inform decisions about oil and gas development on the California OCS, regional study priorities have expanded to address information needs regarding renewable energy development throughout the Pacific OCS.

About the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) promotes economic development, energy independence, and environmental protection through responsible, science-based management of offshore conventional and renewable energy, and marine mineral resources.



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