

# PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL MARINE PLANNING

March 11, 2022



# MPC met February 1, 2022

## Agenda Item Materials:

- C2a MPC Report 1 (Summary report)
- C2a EWG Report 1 (Policy document on non-fishing activities)
- C2a MPC Report 2 (Policy document on fisheries and communities)
- C2a HC Report 1 (Policy document on habitat and ecosystem)
- C2a Supplemental MPC Report 3 (Updated OSW information)



# MARINE PLANNING TOPICS

- Offshore wind energy planning
  - BOEM Data gathering and summary report - Oregon
  - Oregon Call Areas (formal notice pending)
  - Humboldt WEA Draft EA (comments submitted)
  - Morro Bay WEA EA (formal notice pending)
- NOAA Aquaculture Opportunity Areas (formal notice pending)
- PFMC policy documents
- America the Beautiful Conservation Atlas (comments submitted)
- Upcoming events and opportunities



# Offshore Wind Energy Planning (Oregon)

- BOEM Data Gathering and Engagement Summary Report for Oregon

Data Gathering and Engagement  
Summary Report  
Oregon Offshore Wind Energy Planning

January 2022



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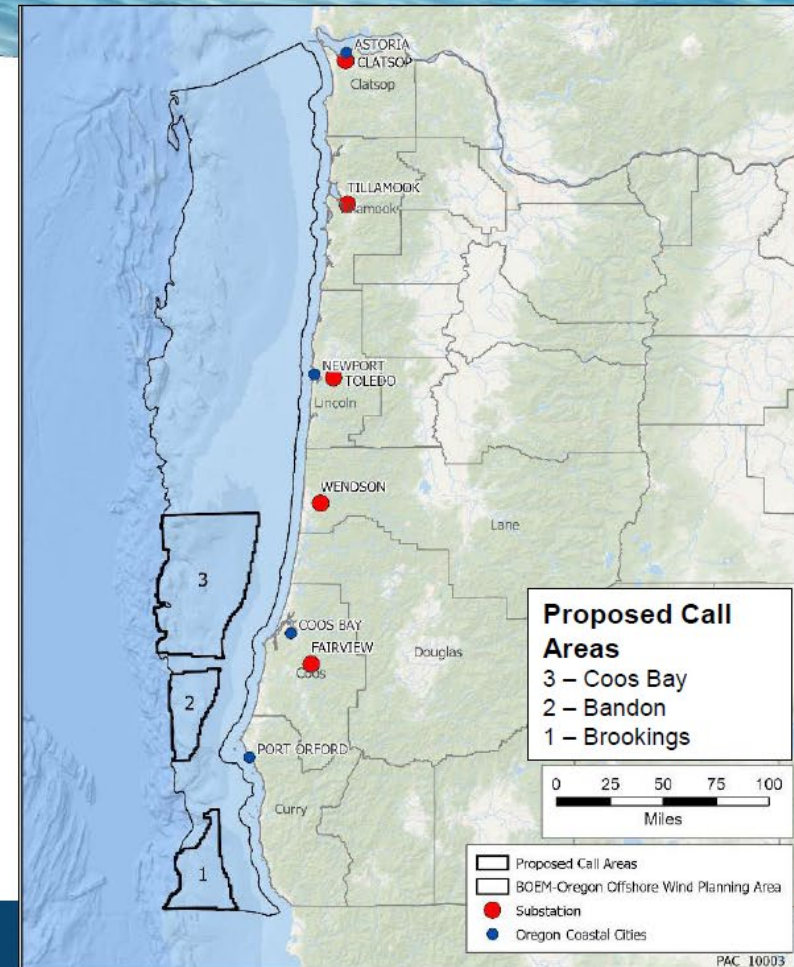
# Offshore Wind Energy Planning

## Oregon OSW Draft Call Areas

### Proposed Call Areas and Capacity

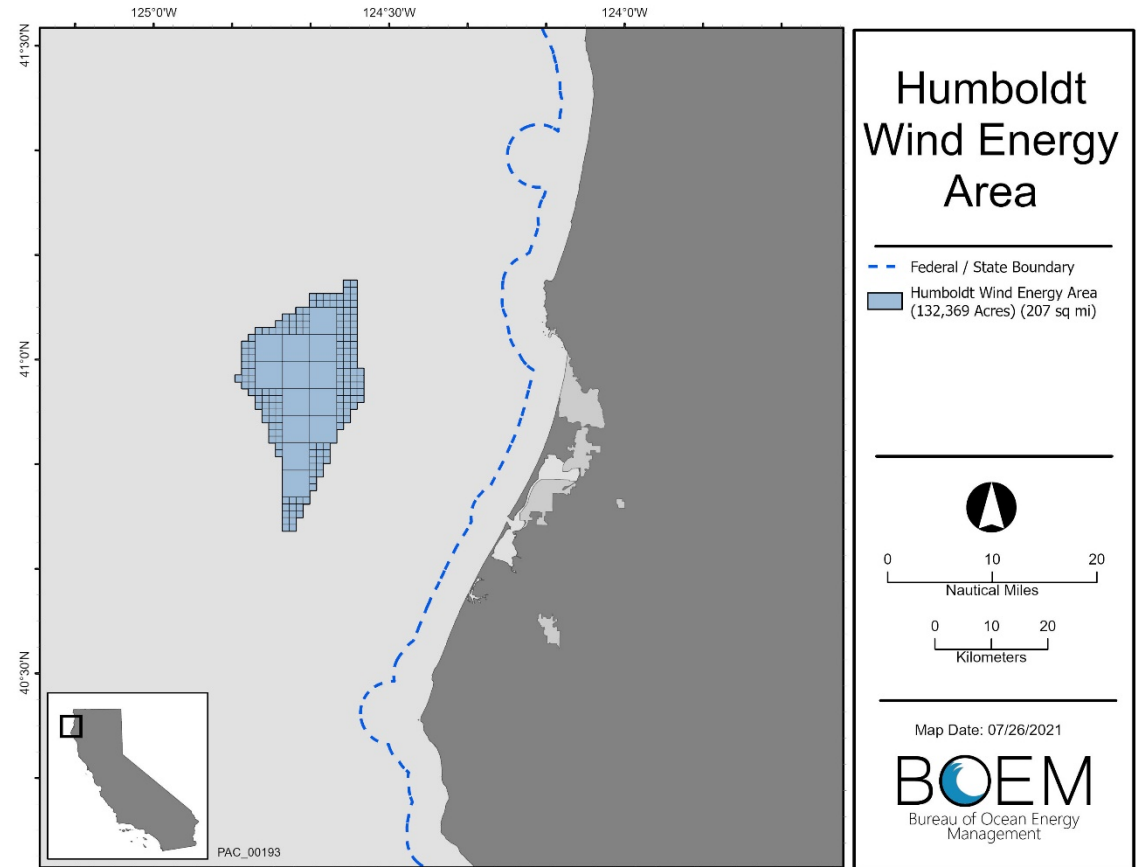
Name	Approx. Offshore Wind Energy Capacity		Area		
	Megawatts	Gigawatts	Acres	Square miles	Square kilometers
Coos Bay	10,597	10.6	871,680	1,362	3,532
Bandon	2,881	2.9	237,440	371	960
Brookings	3,478	3.5	286,720	448	1,159
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,956</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1,395,840</b>	<b>2,181</b>	<b>5,651</b>

Power density of 3 MW/km<sup>2</sup> (7.8 MW/mi<sup>2</sup>) (NREL 2016)



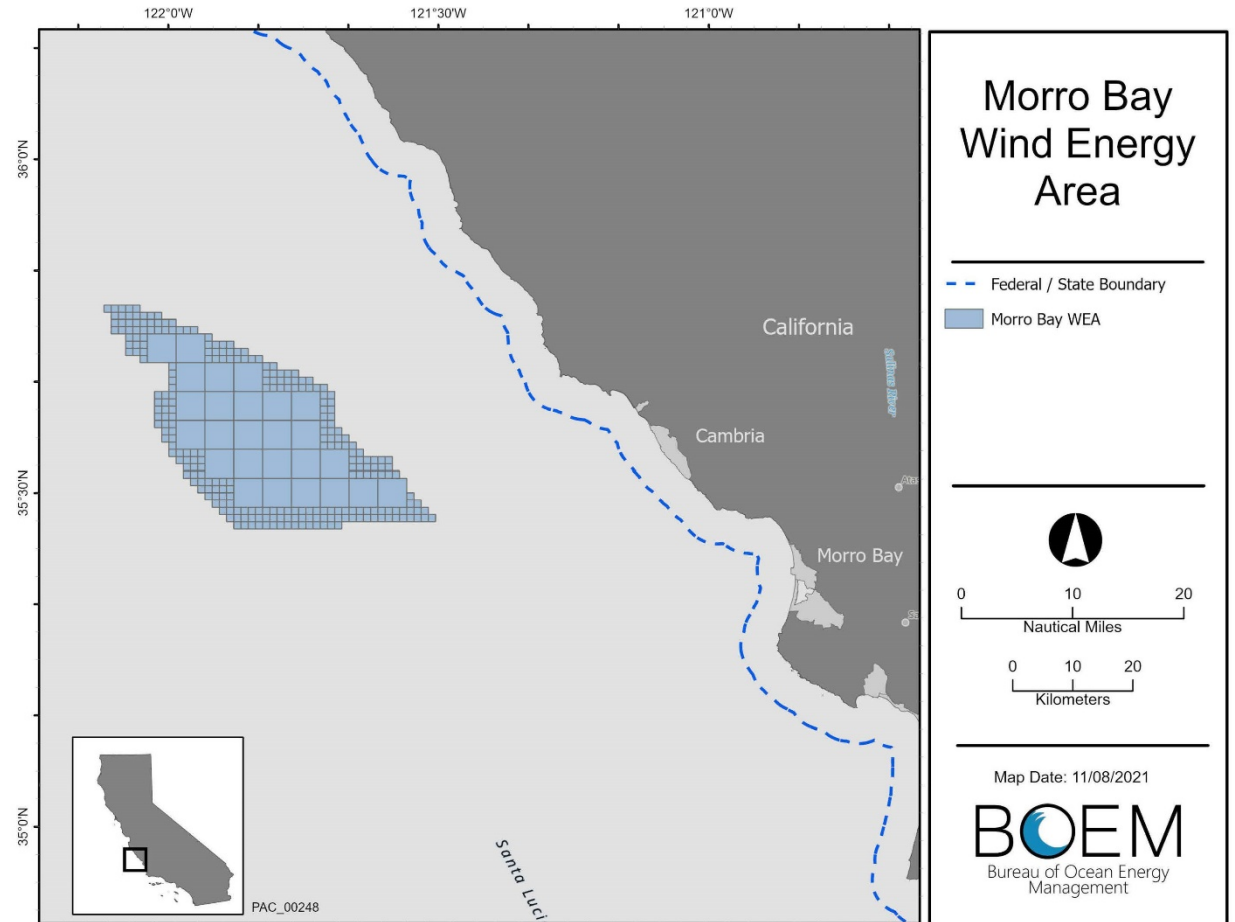
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- Humboldt Bay Wind Energy Area Draft EA - PFMC sent comment letter:  
<https://www.pcouncil.org/correspondence>



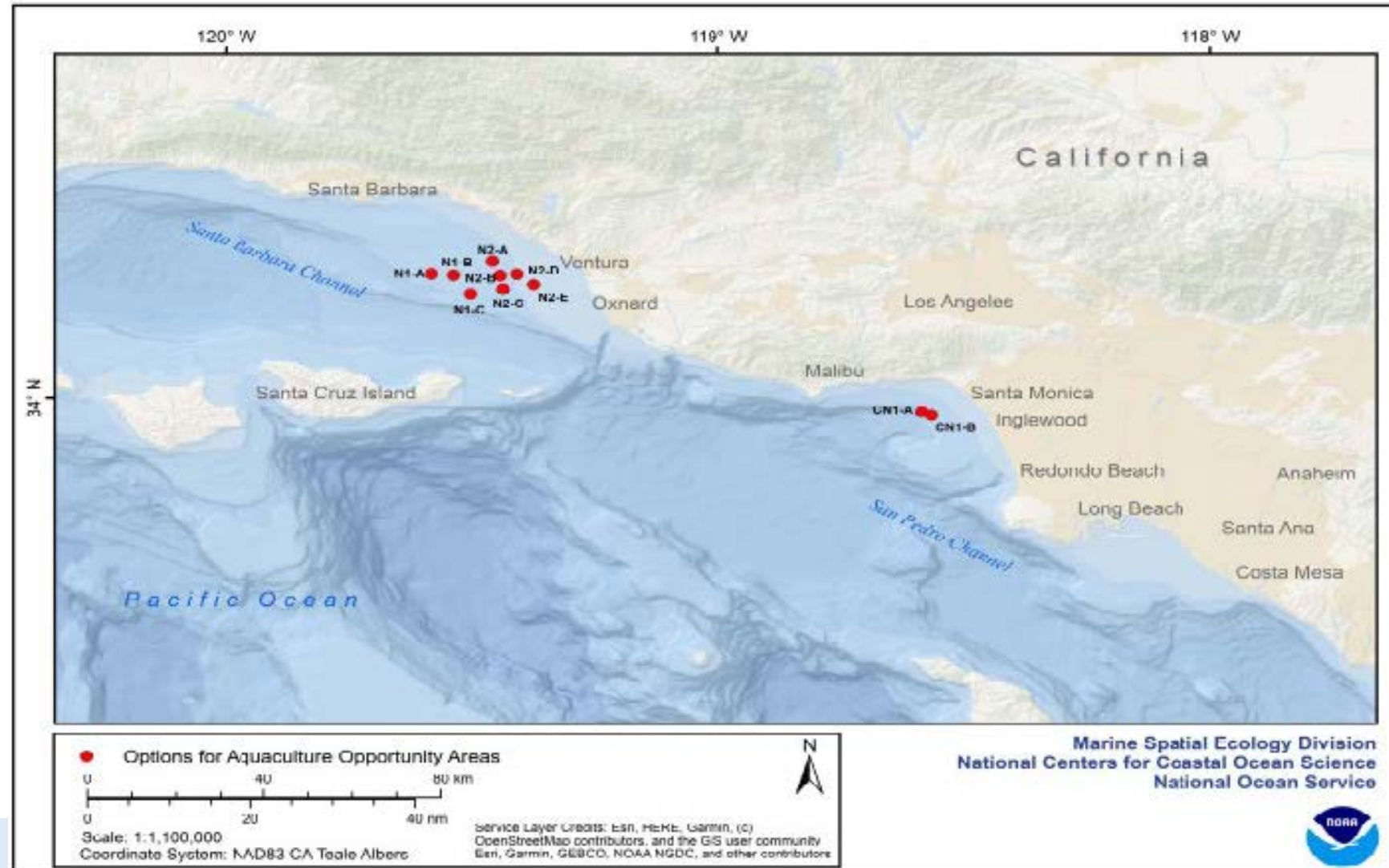
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- Morro Bay WEA - Draft EA and comment opportunity pending



# NOAA Aquaculture Opportunity Areas

- Atlas released November 2021
- 10 areas in Southern Cal Bight
- Formal notice pending
  - ABs be prepared to comment





# PFMC DRAFT POLICY DOCUMENT(S)

- Document Council's expectations for analyses and engagement:
- Fisheries (species/complexes and participants), habitat, ecosystem, and fishing-dependent communities
- Engagement, coordination/outreach, and data utilization/interpretation. There are common themes in many of the Council's communications on offshore development activities.



# AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL INITIATIVE

- Part of E.O. 14008, *'Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad'*
- Cross-agency effort - collaborative conservation vision
- At least 30 % of land and waters by 2030
- Council Coordination Committee's Area-Based Subcommittee engaged
- Council submitted comments in 2021 and March 7, 2022



# UPCOMING EVENTS AND COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES\*

- United States Department of Energy Request for Information on Social Science Research Needs
- Oregon Department of Energy public meetings and comment opportunity for Floating Offshore Wind Study
- Comments on Oregon OSW Call Areas
- Comments on NOAA AOA Atlas
- Morro Bay WEA Draft EA comments
- USCG Port Access Route Study (May 26, 2022)

\*As of March 10, 2022

