

PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL - MARINE PLANNING COMMITTEE

September 11, 2023



MPC MEETINGS

MPC met July 27 and in a joint meeting with the GAP on September 1

Two MPC Reports in the Agenda Item Materials:

- H3a MPC Report 1
- H3a Supplemental MPC Report 2



MPC REPORT 1

- General OSW update
- State Updates
- NMFS Update
- Tribal Update
- WCOA Update
 - ROP meeting, OSW summit

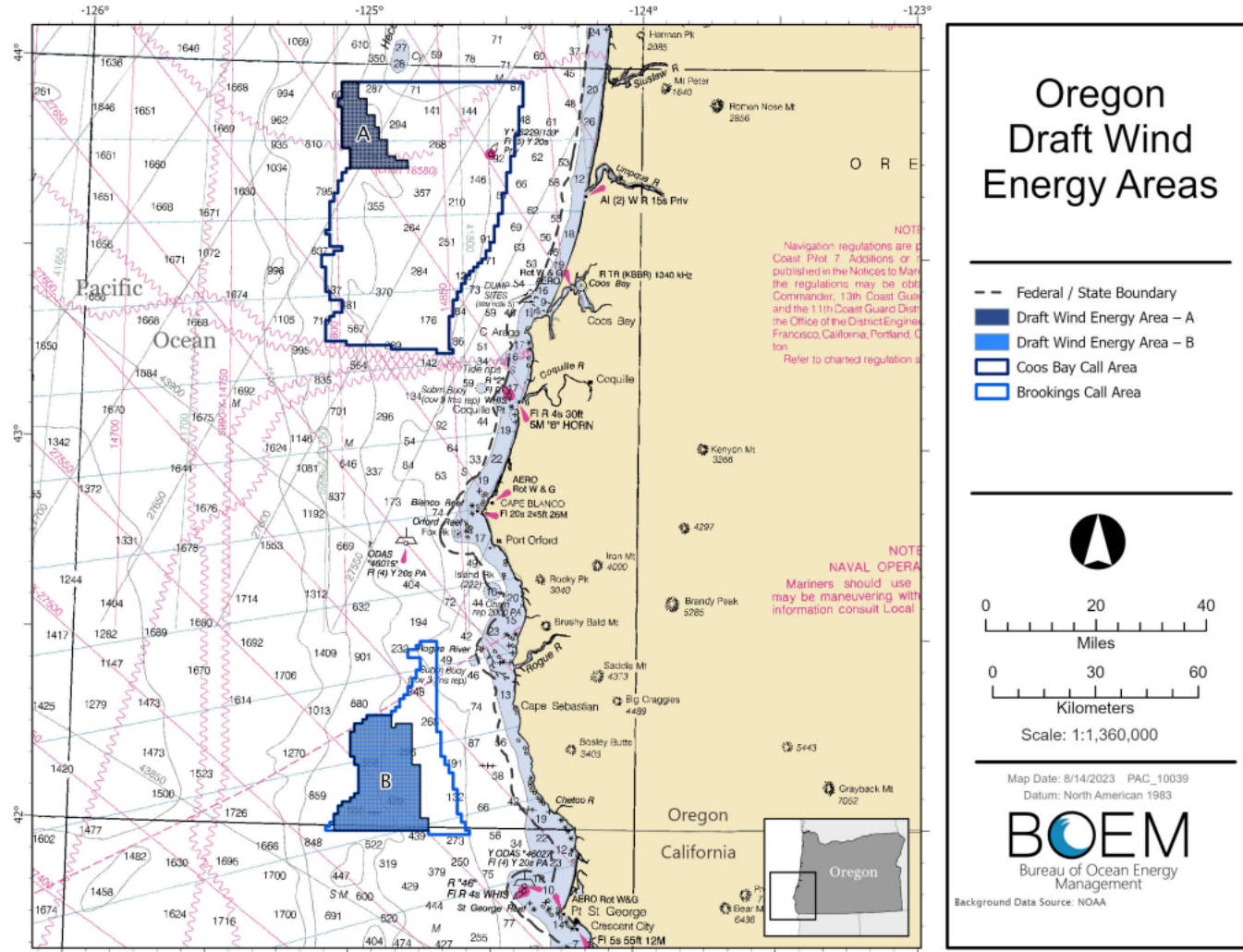


MPC SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT 2

- Process - rushed
- Datasets included in modeling (e.g., fisheries and ecosystem)
- Narrow scope of modeling
- Socio-economic data
- Exclusions only for DOD and USCG - not for protected spp
- Impacts to scientific surveys
- Fisheries Communication Plans



OREGON DRAFT WIND ENERGY AREA (DWEAs)



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A Wind Energy Area Siting Analysis for the Oregon Call Areas

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides background, methods, results, and next steps for the ecosystem-wide spatial suitability model developed to inform selection of Draft Wind Energy Areas in U.S. Federal waters. Spatial suitability models have long been applied to terrestrial and marine environments for the purpose of assessing the relative potential for development or conservation. The National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) National Centers for Coastal and Ocean Science (NCCOS) and the Bureau of Ocean Energy



Even Keel Wind

Fisheries Communications Plan - Draft

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Upcoming Meetings on the DWEAs

- September 18 (9AM - 2PM) - Virtual Oregon Intergovernmental Renewable Energy Task Force Meeting
- September 21 (5 - 8PM) - Informational Fishing Webinar (fishing data focused).
- September 26 (4 - 8PM) - In-person public meeting - Gold Beach
- September 27 (4 - 8PM) - In-person public meeting - Coos Bay
- September 28 (4 - 8PM) - In-person public meeting - Brookings

See - [Oregon Activities | Bureau of Ocean Energy Management \(boem.gov\)](#)



Potential Council Action(s)

- Authorize the MPC & HC Draft a QR Letter on the Oregon DWEAs
- Submit a request for an extension on the Public Comment deadline
- Request that NMFS quantify the potential uncertainty in scientific surveys.



Questions?

