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The Honorable Elizabeth Klein  
Director  
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management  
1849 C Street NW  
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Director Klein,

Thank you for your letter dated July 10, 2023, and our continued conversations on the feasibility of offshore wind in Oregon.

As my administration develops greater collaboration with community, fishing, and Tribal stakeholders, we see value in developing more transparency around the proposed call areas and BOEM's draft wind energy areas. The BOEM Oregon Intergovernmental Renewable Energy Task Force last met more than a year ago on February 25, 2022. While we understand that BOEM has met individually with community and Tribal members in the interim, the broader public has not had access to BOEM's proposed analysis of least-conflict wind energy areas, developed over the course of the last 16 months.

To better inform our state and community experts during this pause, my administration requests that BOEM share the draft wind energy areas through a series of public meetings and a Task Force update. To ensure that the public has an opportunity to provide feedback to BOEM on its analysis, we further ask that BOEM provide a 60-day comment period on the draft wind energy areas. We look forward to working closely with your team to develop meaningful opportunities for communities to continue to engage with BOEM on its work to date.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact Governor Kotek's Natural Resources and Climate Advisor, Karin Power, at [karin.power@oregon.gov](mailto:karin.power@oregon.gov) or (503) 559-8652.

Sincerely,

Governor Tina Kotek