

NDAA FY2023 - SEC. 11319. (a) STUDY ON IMPACTS ON SHIPPING AND COMMERCIAL, TRIBAL, AND RECREATIONAL FISHERIES FROM DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY ON WEST COAST

(1) .—identify, document, and analyze—

- (A) historic and current, as of the date of the study, Tribal, commercial, and recreational **fishing grounds**, as well as areas where **fish stocks are likely to shift** in the future in all covered waters;
- (B) **usual and accustomed fishing areas** in all covered waters;
- (C) historic, current, and potential future **shipping lanes**, based on projected growth in shipping traffic in all covered waters;
- (D) current and expected **Coast Guard operations relevant to commercial fishing activities**, including search and rescue, radar, navigation, communications, and safety within and near renewable energy sites; and
- (E) key **types of data needed to properly site** renewable energy sites on the West Coast, with regard to assessing and mitigating conflicts;

(2) .—analyze—

- (A) methods used to **manage fishing, shipping, and other maritime activities**; and
- (B) potential **future interactions** between such activities and the placement of renewable energy infrastructure and the associated construction, maintenance, and operation of such infrastructure, including **potential benefits and methods of mitigating adverse impacts**; and

(3) .—review the current **decision-making process for offshore wind** in covered waters, and outline **recommendations** for governmental consideration of all **impacted coastal communities, particularly Tribal governments and fisheries communities**, in the decision-making process for offshore wind in covered waters, including recommendations for—

- (A) ensuring the appropriate governmental consideration of **potential benefits of offshore wind** in covered waters; and
- (B) **risk reduction and mitigation** of adverse impacts on **Coast Guard operations** relevant to commercial fishing activities.