



Path Forward Presentation | South Atlantic Fishery Management Council

REQUEST FOR FEEDBACK:

BOEM's Proposed Path Forward

for Future Offshore Renewable Energy Leasing on the Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf



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Background & Need

- **13 commercial leases** on the Atlantic (generally on a stateby-state basis)
- Conducting high-level assessment of all waters offshore Atlantic Coast for additional lease locations and to determine potential regions
- Areas most likely to have highest potential for successful offshore wind development in the next three to five years

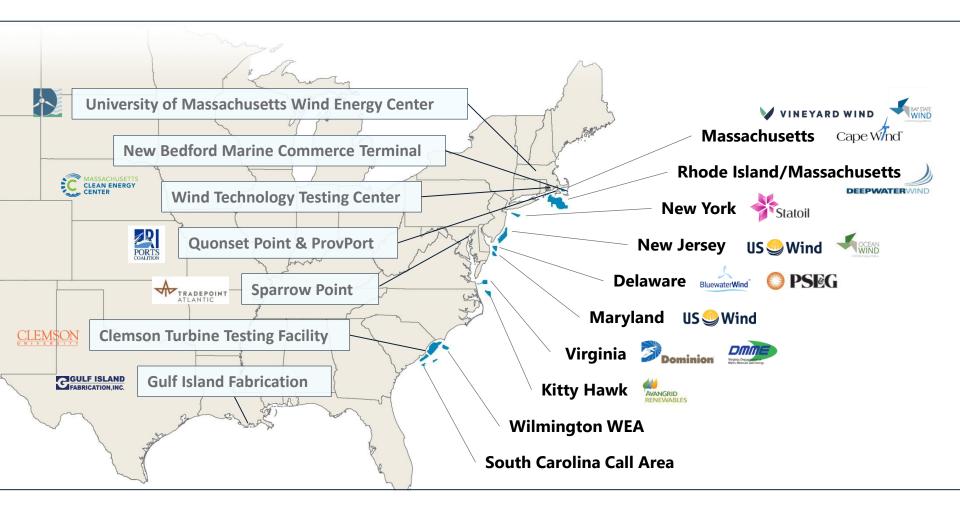
Background & Need

- Atlantic assessment is intended to inform future Area Identification processes, not replace them
- Obtain industry & stakeholder input and determine appetite for additional leasing

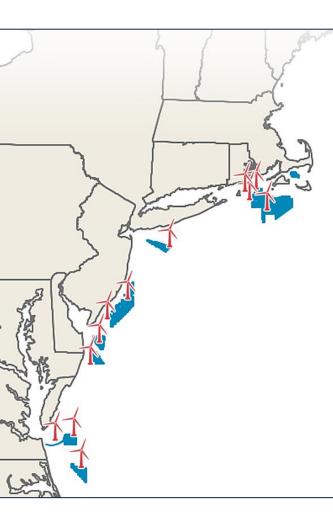


 Demonstrate DOI/BOEM commitment to offshore renewable energy consistent with market demand

Atlantic OCS Renewable Energy Activities



Atlantic OCS Renewable Energy: "Projects in the Pipeline"



Year	Project	Company
2020	Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind (CVOW)	Omie Orsted
2021	Vineyard Wind	VINEYARD WIND
2022	South Fork	DEEPWATERWIND
2022	Ocean Wind	Orsted
2022	Bay State Wind	Bay State Wind A Critical & Provessarias Instantias
2022	U.S. Wind (MD)	US 🍚 Wind
2023	Revolution Wind	DEEPWATERWIND
2023	Skipjack Windfarm	
2025	Dominion Commercial Lease	Dominion Energy*
2026	U.S. Wind (NJ)	US 🍚 Wind
2027	Empire Wind	Statoil
2027	Kitty Hawk	

* Projections based on current estimates and/or standard timeline

What The Path Forward Is Not – Area ID

Examples of issues to be analyzed during Area ID

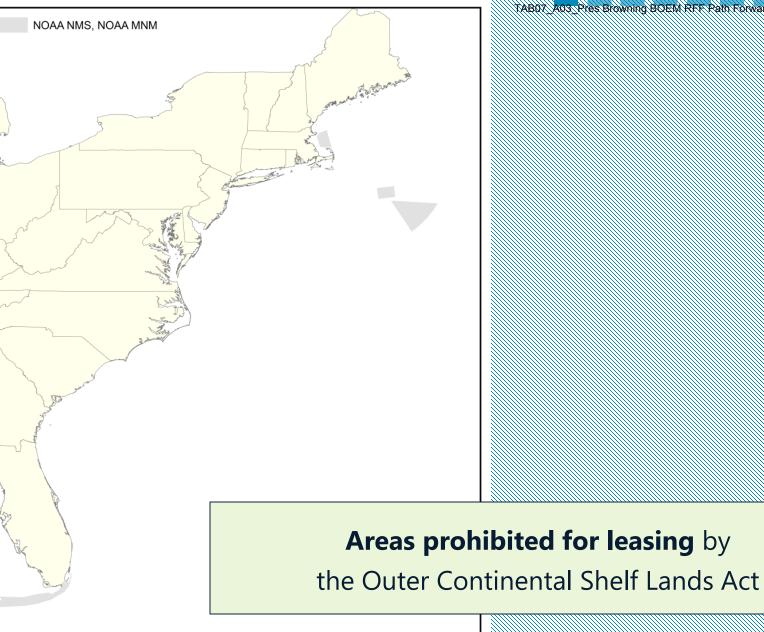
(not to be replaced by this assessment):

- Fisheries
- Critical Habitat
- Tribal and Historic issues
- Viewshed concerns
- Recreation and Tourism

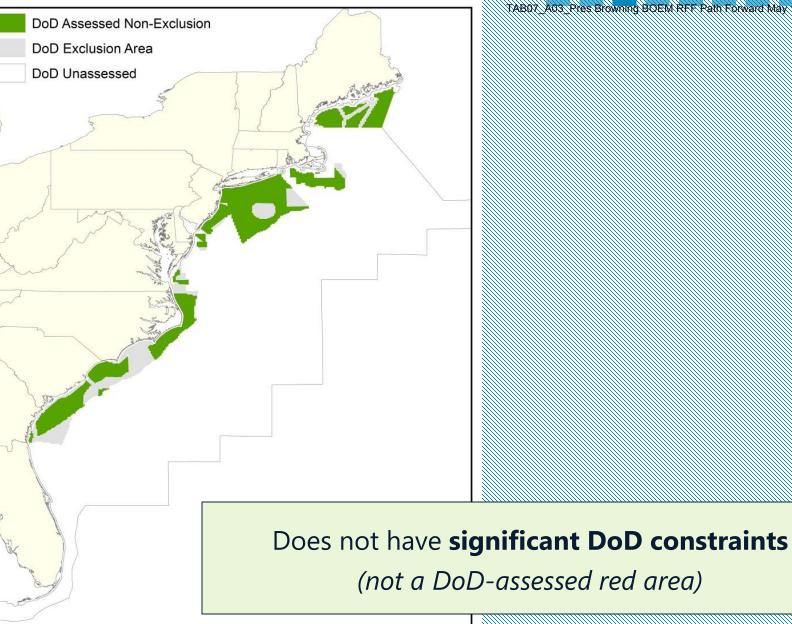
- Navigation conflicts AIS data
- Tug and Barge Routes
- Shipwrecks
- UXO

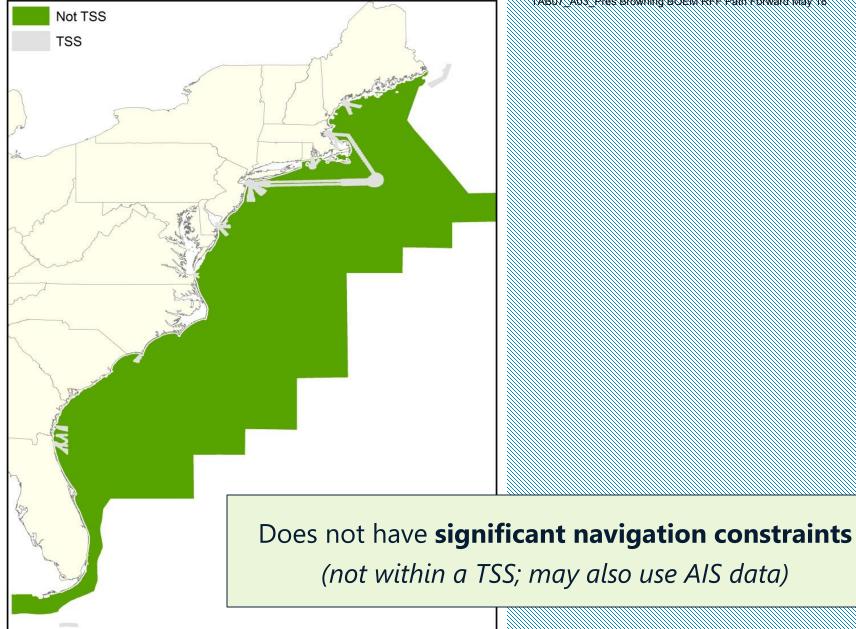
High-Potential Forecast Areas Criteria

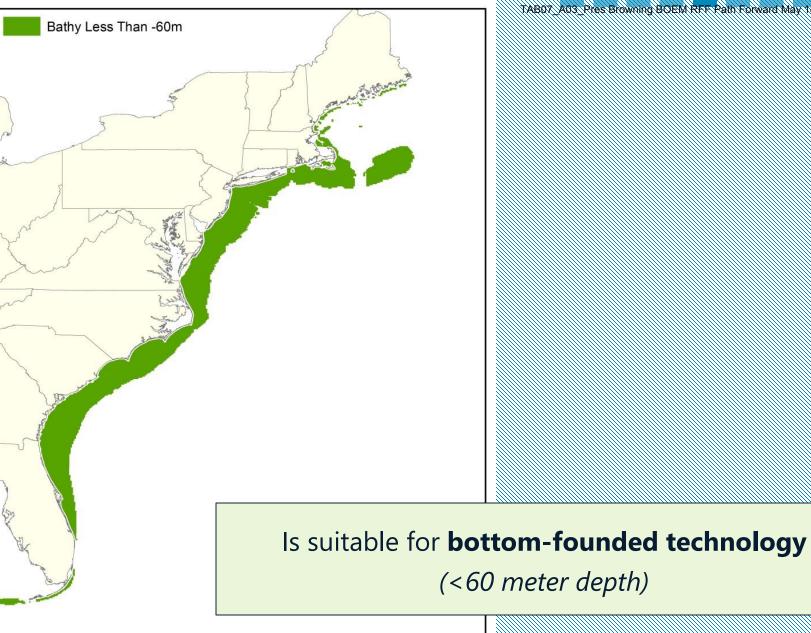
- Areas prohibited by the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act for leasing
- Department of Defense (**DoD**) conflict areas
- Maritime **navigation conflict** areas
- Areas not **previously removed** from BOEM leasing consideration
- Areas greater than **10 nautical miles** from shore
- Areas **shallower than 60 meters** in depth
- Areas adjacent to states with **offshore wind economic incentives**
- Areas adjacent to states that have an interest in identifying additional lease areas
- Areas for which **industry has expressed interest**



Shoreline Greater Than 10nmi And States Presents limited visual impacts (>10 nautical miles from shore)

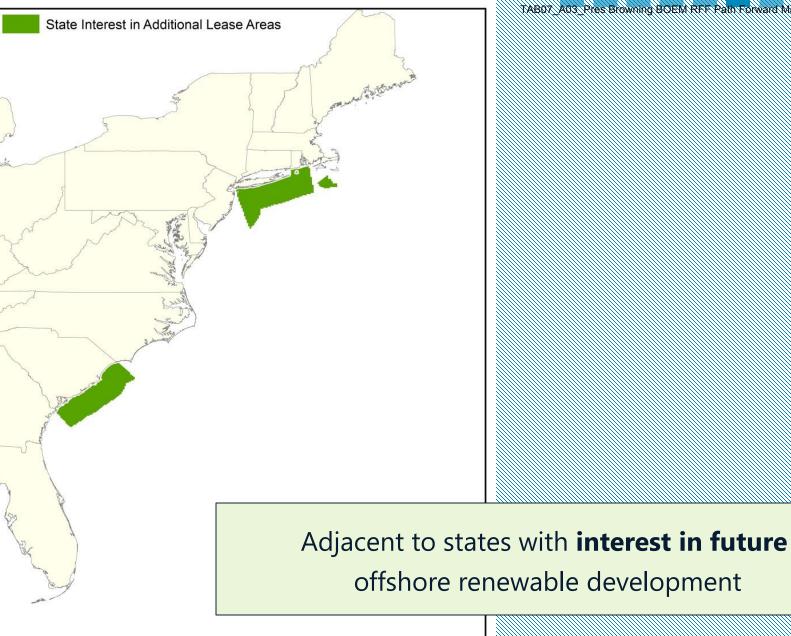


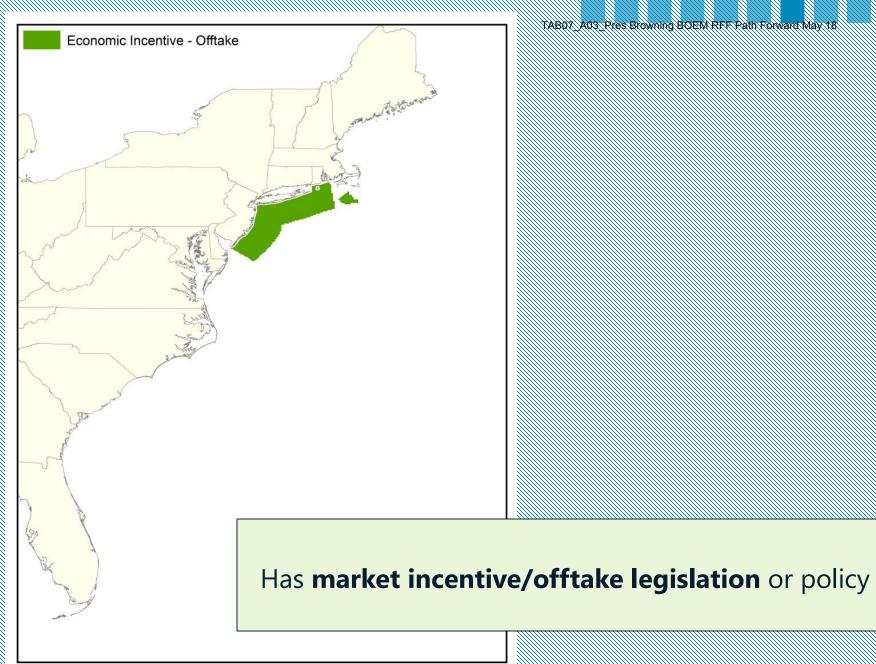




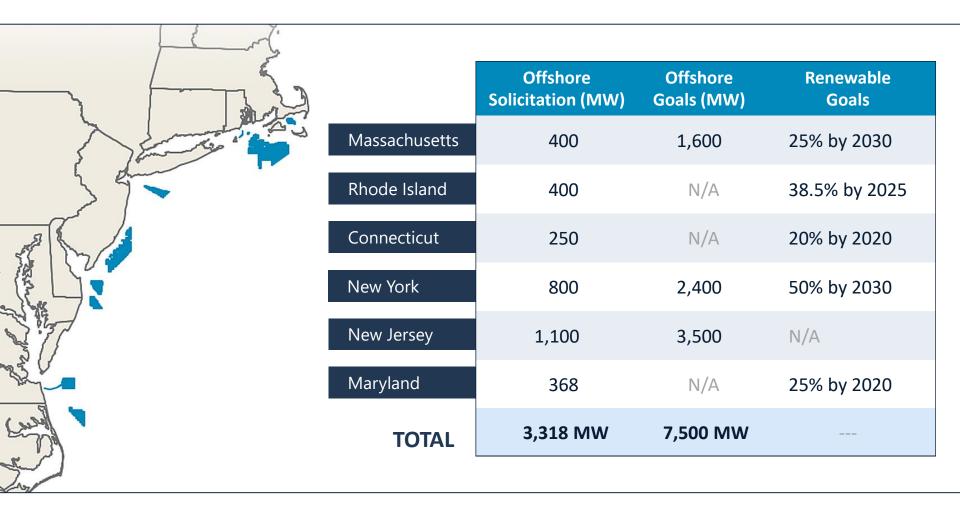
Technology Advancement

Source: National Renewable Energy Laboratory

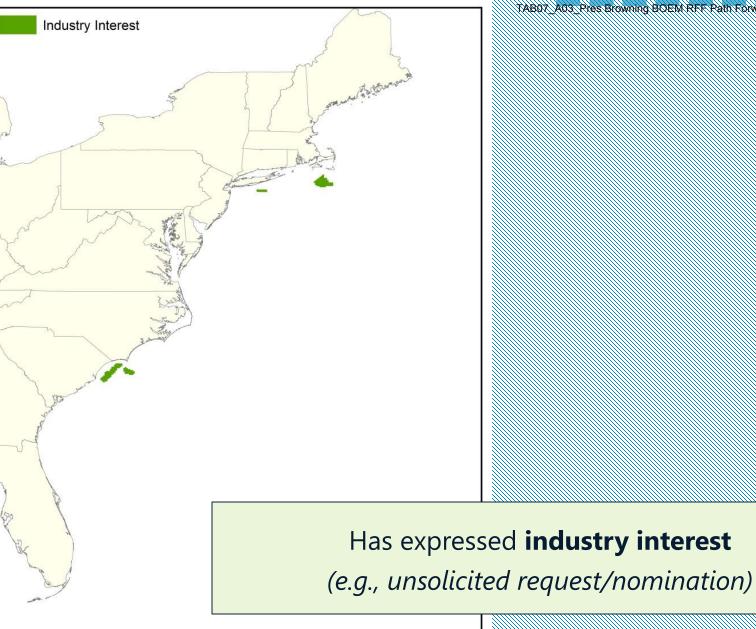




Atlantic OCS Renewable Energy: State Leadership



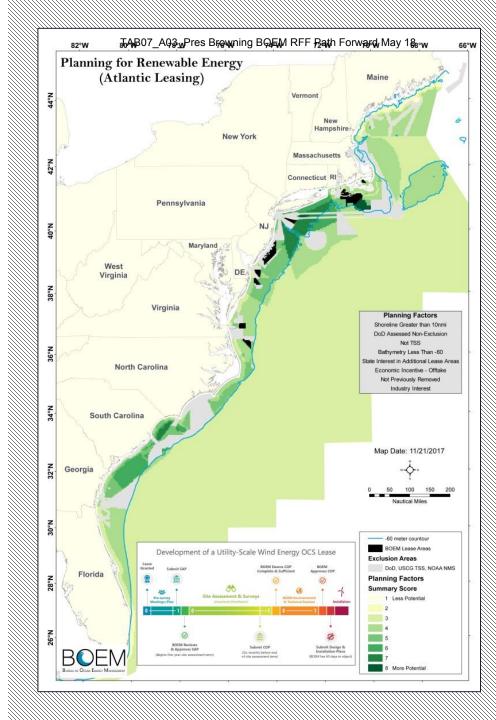
Not Previously Removed Has not been removed during previous lease area determinations



Forecast Areas

BOEM's Draft Path Forward assessment of the Atlantic identified the following Forecast Areas:

- Nantucket to New Jersey
- Carolina Long Bay



Path Forward - Milestones

• Massachusetts Lease Sale – Late 2018

• New York Bight Sale – 2019

Potentially multiple sales

• Carolina Bay Area

– Lease Determinations