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RE: AB 525 Draft Strategic Plan

## **Notice of Availability: Assembly Bill 525 Draft Strategic Plan for Offshore Wind Development**

The *Draft California Energy Commission Assembly Bill 525 Offshore Wind Strategic Plan* under Assembly Bill 525 (AB 525, Chiu, Chapter 231, Statutes of 2021) (Draft AB 525 Strategic Plan) is available for public review and comment. AB 525 directs the California Energy Commission (CEC) to prepare a strategic plan for offshore wind energy developments in federal waters off the California coast.

The CEC expects to announce and host a workshop to provide information and receive feedback on the Draft AB 525 Strategic Plan later.

The following documents are available here:

1. [Volume I: Overview of AB 525 Strategic Plan:](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=254023&DocumentContentId=89341)  
<https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=254023&DocumentContentId=89341>
2. [Volume II: AB 525 Strategic Plan:](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=254034&DocumentContentId=89352)  
<https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=254034&DocumentContentId=89352>
3. [Volume III: Appendices for AB 525 Strategic Plan:](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=254038&DocumentContentId=89353)  
<https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=254038&DocumentContentId=89353>

### **Background**

The state legislature passed Assembly Bill 525 (Chiu, Chapter 231, Statutes of 2021) (AB 525) [AB 525](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=20210220AB525) in 2021 ([https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill\\_id=20210220AB525](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=20210220AB525)). AB 525 requires the CEC in coordination with the California Coastal Commission, the Ocean Protection

Council, the State Lands Commission, the Office of Planning and Research, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, the California Independent System Operator, the California Public Utilities Commission, relevant federal, state, local agencies, tribal governments, and others, as needed, to develop a strategic plan for offshore wind energy developments installed off the California coast in federal waters.

AB 525 statute requires the CEC to provide an opportunity for public review and comment on a draft strategic plan. The strategic plan shall include, at a minimum, the following five chapters:

1. Identification of potential suitable sea space for future lease process.
2. Economic and workforce development and identification of port space and infrastructure.
3. Transmission planning
4. Permitting processes and the Permitting Roadmap.
5. Potential impacts on coastal resources, fisheries, Native American and Indigenous peoples, and national defense, and strategies for addressing those potential impacts.

For more information about the Draft AB 525 Strategic Plan, interim reports, and consultant reports visit this webpage: <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/ab-525-reports-offshore-renewable-energy>

### **Public Comment.**

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**Availability of Documents:** Documents will be available at the CEC's [AB 525 webpage](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/ab-525-reports-offshore-renewable-energy): <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/ab-525-reports-offshore-renewable-energy> and the [17-MISC-01 docket](#):

<https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=17-MISC-01>.

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