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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION AT JUNE BUSINESS MEETING

RE: Adoption of the AB 525 Strategic Plan

# Notice to Consider Adoption of the *California Energy Commission*Assembly Bill 525 Offshore Wind Strategic Plan

As part of the June 26, 2024, Business Meeting, the California Energy Commission (CEC) will consider adoption of the *California Energy Commission Assembly Bill 525 Offshore Wind Strategic Plan* under Assembly Bill 525 (AB 525, Chiu, Chapter 231, Statutes of 2021) (AB 525 Strategic Plan).

CEC welcomes public comment at its business meetings. The public can attend and participate in the business meeting in person and online and phone via Zoom. Please see the Agenda on the event page linked below for more information on how to attend and participate.

More information about the June 26, 2024, Business Meeting, including the full agenda, location, and instructions for participation is available at the CEC's website at: https://www.energy.ca.gov/event/meeting/2024-06/energy-commission-business-meeting-0.

# **Background**

The state legislature passed Assembly Bill 525 (Chiu, Chapter 231, Statutes of 2021) (AB 525) AB 525 in 2021 <a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill\_id=202120220AB525">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill\_id=202120220AB525</a>. 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.

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.

Links to the AB 525 Strategic Plan Final Strategic Plan:

- Volume I: Overview Report Final https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=257405&DocumentContentId=93276
- Volume II: Main Report Final https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=257404&DocumentContentId=93277
- Volume III: Appendices Final <u>https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=257403&DocumentContentId=93278</u>

For more information about the AB 525 Strategic Plan, public workshops conducted, interim reports, and consultant reports visit this webpage <a href="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</a>.

### **Public Comment.**

More information about the June 26, 2024, Business Meeting, including the full agenda, location, materials, and instructions for participation including public comment, is available at <a href="https://www.energy.ca.gov/event/meeting/2024-06/energy-commission-business-meeting-0">https://www.energy.ca.gov/event/meeting/2024-06/energy-commission-business-meeting-0</a>.

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