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Public Workshop to Take Comment on Additional Considerations for Offshore Wind Energy off the Central Coast of California

July 1, 2020

10:00 AM

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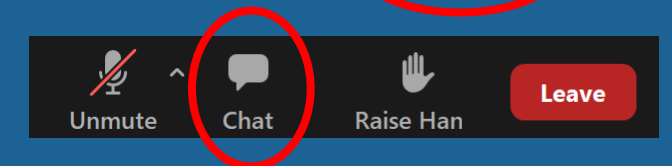
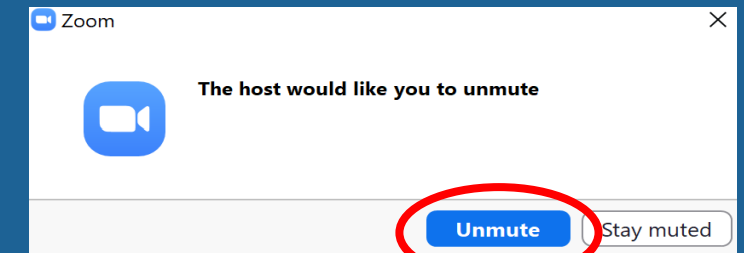
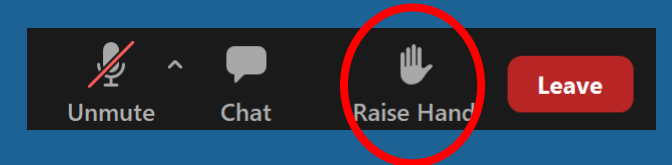
Workshop Structure

- **Updates and presentation:** 10:00 AM – approximately 11:45 AM.
- **Public comment opportunity:** Following updates and presentations
- **Clarifying questions** will be taken during a designated agenda item after the updates and video presentation.
- The webinar notice, presentation, and web link to the visual simulations are available online.
- The workshop recording will be available online a few days after the workshop.



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Agenda

- Opening Remarks
- Background on Offshore Wind Energy in California
- Working Group Presentation and Visual Simulations
- Clarifying Questions
- Public Comment Opportunity
- Closing Remarks



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Background on Offshore Wind Energy in California


Eli Harland

Advisor to California Energy Commissioner Karen Douglas, CEC

Why Offshore Wind?

- **Support California Climate Policy**
 - Senate Bill 32: 40% GHG reduction below 1990 by 2030
 - Senate Bill 100: 100% zero-carbon electricity by 2045
- **Complementary Energy Source**
 - Offshore wind is more consistent
 - Time of generation complements solar and electricity usage
- **Plentiful Energy Resource**
 - California offshore wind energy resource is significant
- **Costs Are Dropping**
 - Increasingly competitive with other renewable energy sources





Background on Offshore Wind Energy in California

OPC Research and Studies

Chris Potter
Marine Renewable Energy Program Manager, OPC

OPC Offshore Wind Research Priorities

- **2020-2025 OPC Strategic Plan**

- Goal: Work towards development of a commercial scale offshore wind project in California that minimizes impacts on marine biodiversity or habitat, currents and upwelling, fishing, cultural resources, navigation, aesthetic/visual, and military operations by 2026.
- Actions: 1) With partners, develop statewide policy to facilitate responsible implementation of projects and develop criteria for offshore wind projects by 2024. 2) Fund research and baseline data collection to assess the environmental impacts of potential offshore wind projects



OPC Offshore Wind Research Priorities

- **Studies Underway**

- North Coast Offshore Wind Feasibility Study - HSU
- Assessment of existing marine and coastal datasets and identify data gaps – Conservation Biology Institute and Point Blue
- Coastwide MHK environmental and economic analysis – UC Santa Cruz


- **Completed Studies**

- Workforce Integration and Grid Analysis – U.C. Berkeley and E3 Consulting

- **Under Consideration**

- Joint solicitation with BOEM and CEC
- Mapping exercise with North Coast fishermen
- Unsolicited request from POWER work group





Background on Offshore Wind Energy in California

CEC Research and Studies

Silvia Palma-Rojas
Electric Generation System Specialist, CEC

CEC ERDD Research Activities - Ongoing

- **ERDD is funding five new R&D projects focused on solutions for OSW**
 1. **RCAM Technology:** Manufacture, demonstrate, and test wind tower sections using an onsite three-dimensional concrete printed (3DCP) manufacturing process and design.
 2. **Aker Solutions:** Develop a twin data tool to perform advanced condition and data monitoring that includes both floating platform and wind turbine condition monitoring, and wildlife data.
 3. **Berkeley National Lab:** Evaluate the technical feasibility of fiber optics sensors to monitor gearboxes and towers for offshore wind turbines and monitor marine animal life activities near offshore structures.



CEC ERDD Research Activities - Ongoing

- ERDD is funding five new R&D projects focused on solutions for OSW (continued)
 4. **Integral Consulting:** Investigate the potential impacts of large-scale offshore wind farms on wind stress reduction and subsequent changes in coastal upwelling, and ecosystem dynamics off the California coast.
 5. **Humboldt State University:** Develop a three-dimensional model of seabird occurrences off the California coast.



CEC ERDD Research Activities - Ongoing


- **Current Study: Research and Development Opportunities for Offshore Wind Energy in California (Recipient: Guidehouse)**
 - **Identified R&D Recommendations:**

#	Technology and Infrastructure Research Recommendations
1	Advance technologies for mooring, cabling, and anchors including inter-array cabling webs and dynamic cabling.
2	Develop technologies to ease O&M in extreme wind and wave conditions, including remote monitoring and robotic maintenance.
3	Develop technical solutions to integrate offshore wind, including facilitating technologies like advanced hydrogen and subsea storage.
4	Develop manufacturing approaches to use and optimize existing supply chain and manufacturing or assembly solutions in California.
5	Study the seismic vulnerability of floating platform mooring systems.
6	Conduct a comprehensive study on port infrastructure in California and develop technical solutions to identified gaps.
#	Environment and Resource Research Recommendations
7	Conduct additional LIDAR wind resource studies offshore of California.
8	Advance technologies to prevent wildlife impacts, including smart curtailment and deterrence.
9	Conduct state-led environmental studies along the California coast to fill gaps in existing research.




CEC ERDD Research Activities - Ongoing

- Research Database: <https://www.energy.ca.gov/offshore-renewable-energy/offshore-wind-research-and-development-database>



California Energy Commission
Offshore Wind in California
Global Offshore Wind Research Database
June 22, 2020



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This workbook aggregates publicly announced research efforts in the offshore wind industry started or completed between January 2017 and January 2020. Select technical and market reports completed prior to 2017 are included, while journal articles, white papers, and conference dockets are generally excluded for all time periods. Publicly funded initiatives conducted within the United States are prioritized, with global research efforts potentially applicable to the California market added. Research initiatives are categorized into ten themes, described below.

RESEARCH THEME DEFINITIONS

Project-Specific Report - Report detailing performance of a single offshore wind project or demonstration technology
Industry Overview - General market or research overview of a state, country, or the global market containing multiple thematic components
Physical Technology - Technology research into core component improvements, including platforms, turbines, mooring, cabling, and anchoring systems
Monitoring and Optimization - Software and data solutions to reduce project cost through advanced technologies supporting installation, operation, and maintenance
Environmental - Studies around ecosystem impacts, including marine mammals, birds, migratory species, and fishery stock
Community Impact - Compatibility of wind with other stakeholders, including fisheries, environmental stakeholders, local communities, and the military
Siting or Feasibility Study - Research on wind resource, physical environment, and technical feasibility of particular wind energy sites, including LiDAR and metocean data collection
Policy & Regulatory - Regulatory processes, permit mapping, and recommendations for policy initiatives to support offshore wind
Infrastructure, Workforce, & Supply Chain - Review of physical infrastructure (e.g., ports, transmission cables, vessel stock), manufacturing, and job creation and local content
Project Economics & Grid Impacts - LCOE studies, project financing, and economic analyses surrounding efficient resource portfolios and grid impact of offshore resources



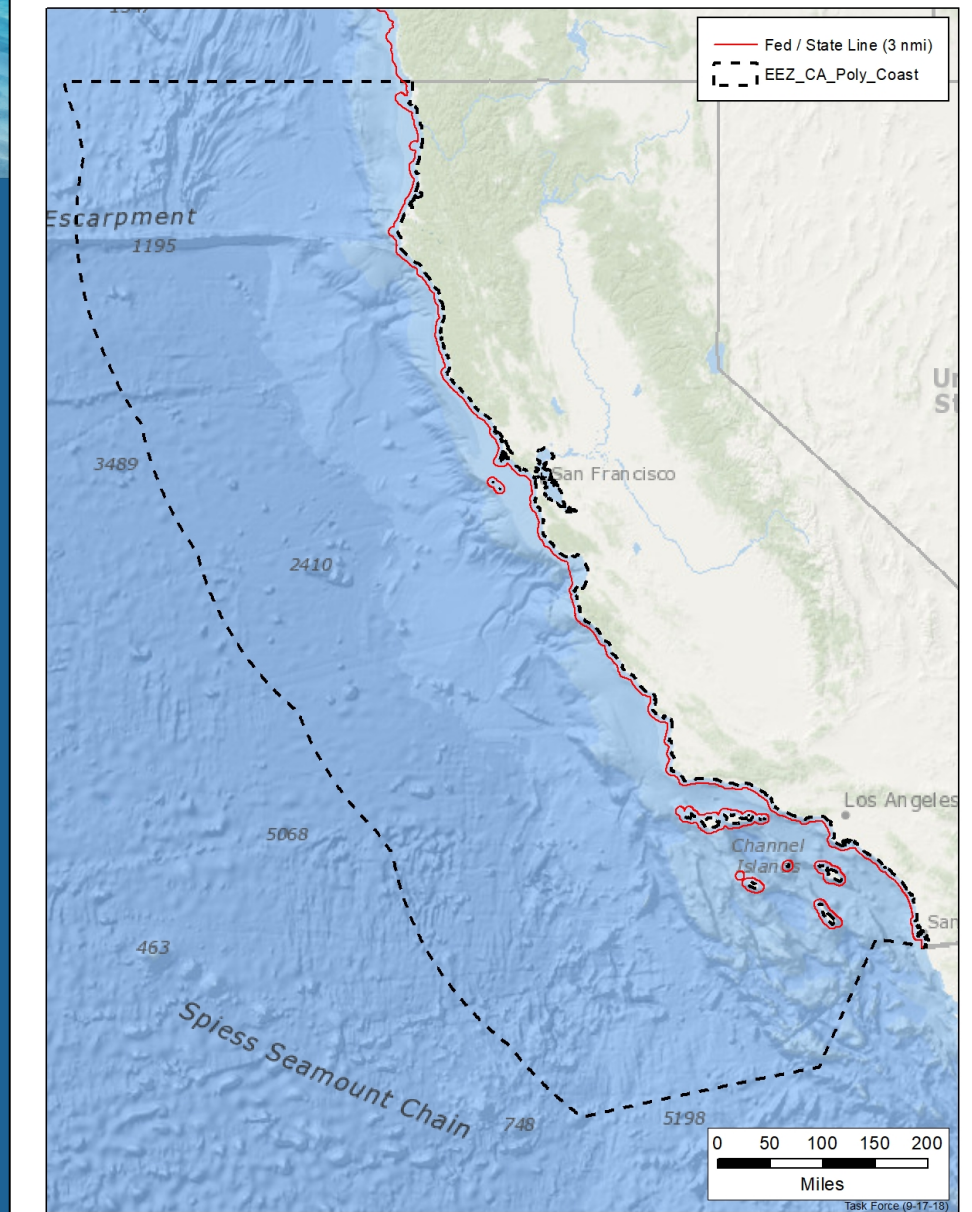


Background on Offshore Wind Energy in California Status Update on the BOEM Leasing Process

**Jean Thurston-Keller
Task Force Coordinator, BOEM**

California Offshore Wind

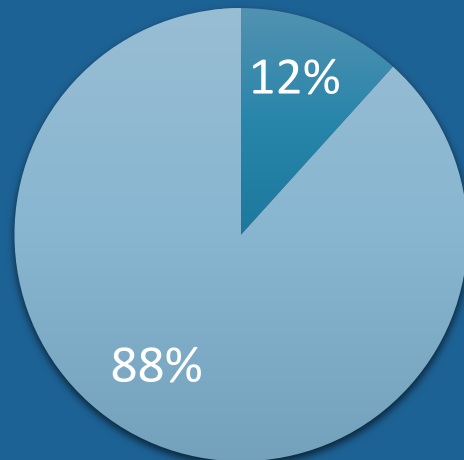
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- Federal Waters
 - 3 – 200 nmi
- Offshore California = 215,000 sq miles



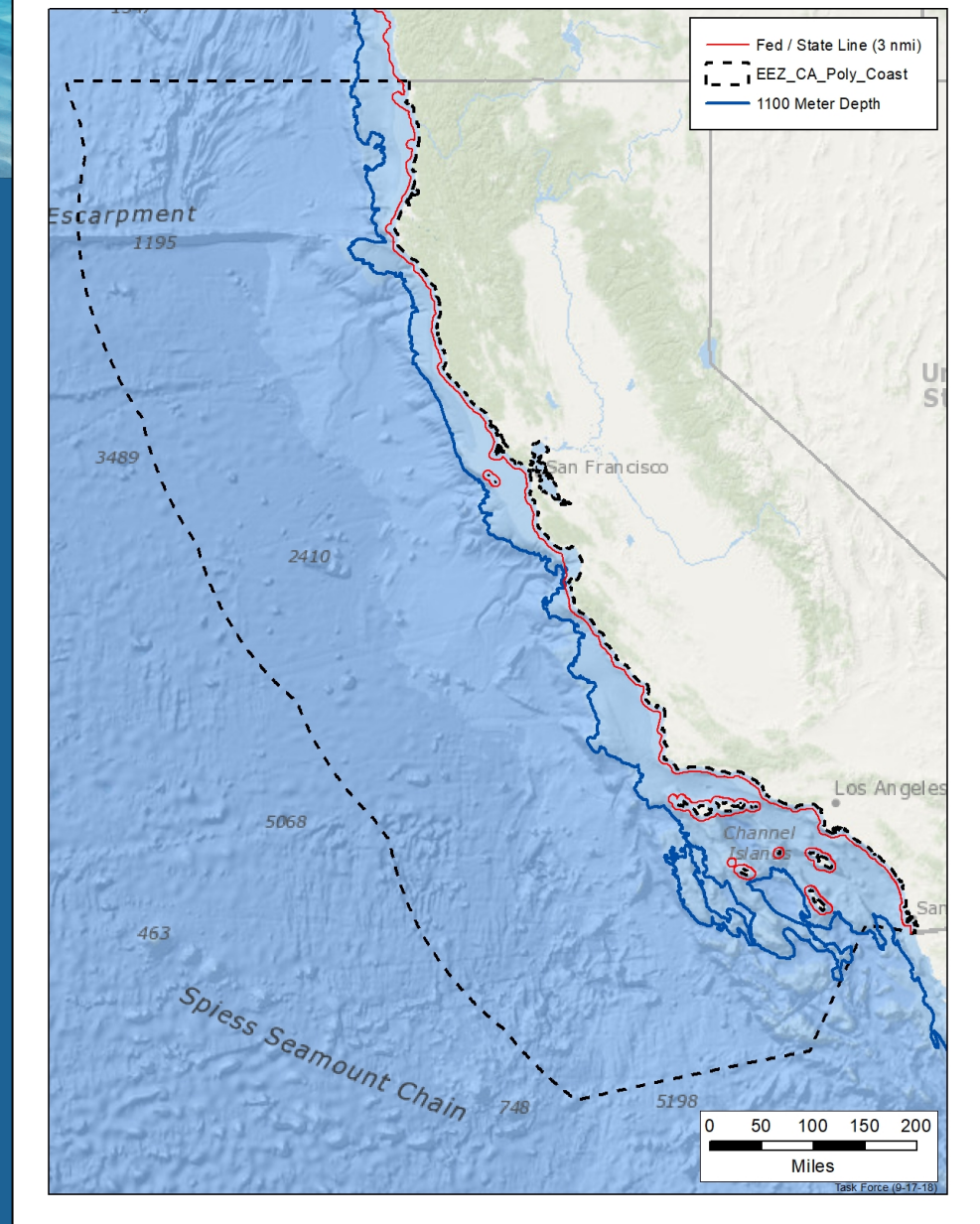
California Offshore Wind

- **Depth Limit**
 - Less than 1100 m
 - 28,000 sq miles

Percent of Federal Waters



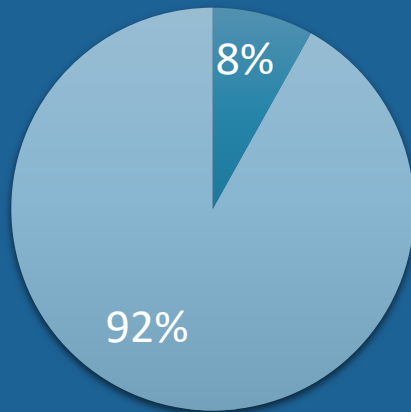
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- Federal Waters (215,000 sq mi)



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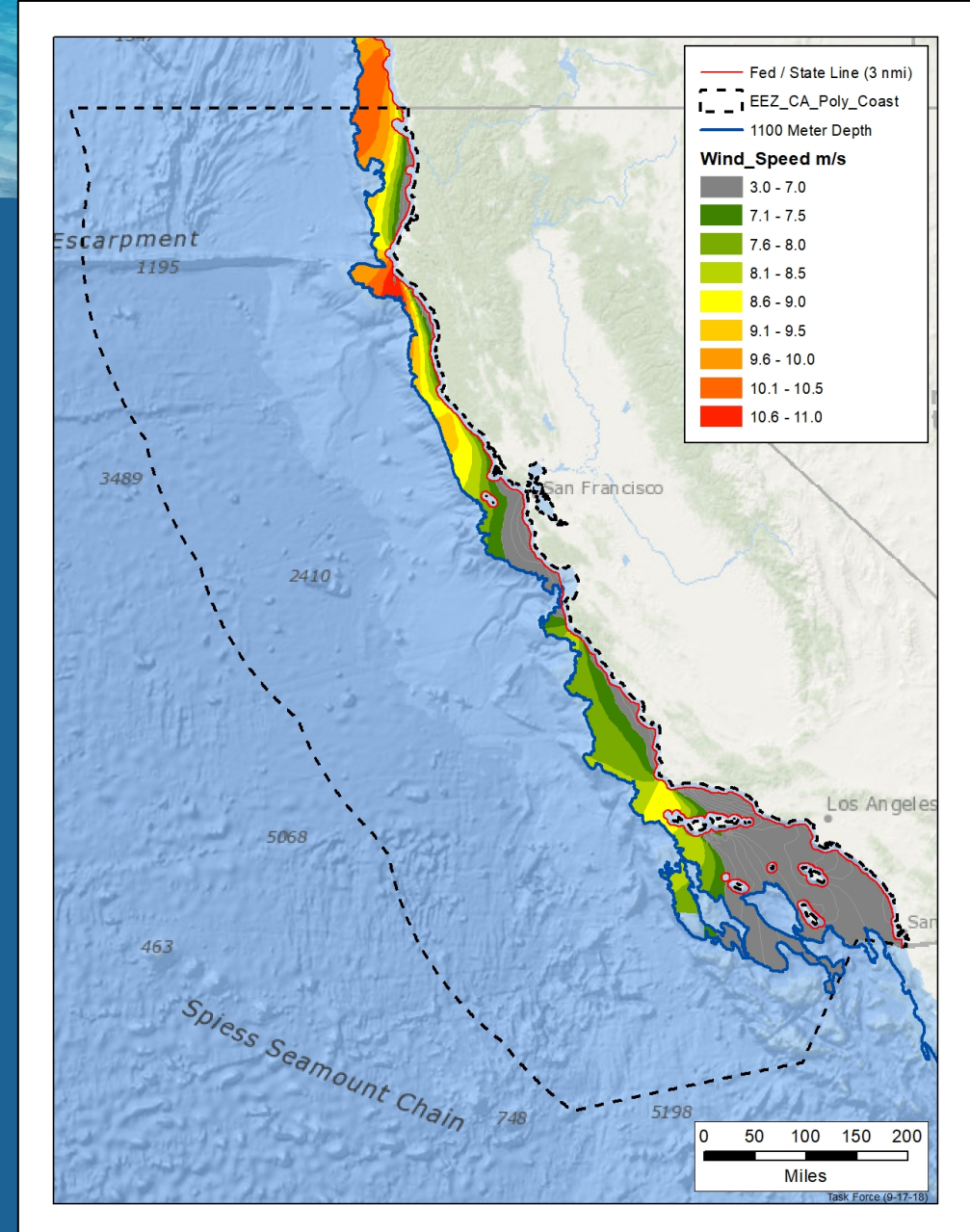
- Wind Speed
 - Greater than 7 m/s
 - 19,000 sq miles

Percent of Federal Waters



■ Federal Waters
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Winds > 7 m/s
(19,000 sq mi)

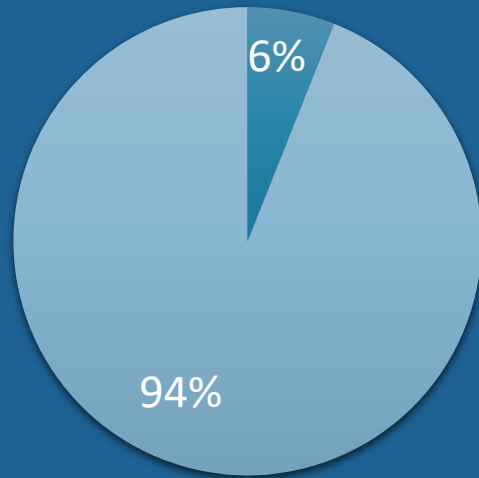
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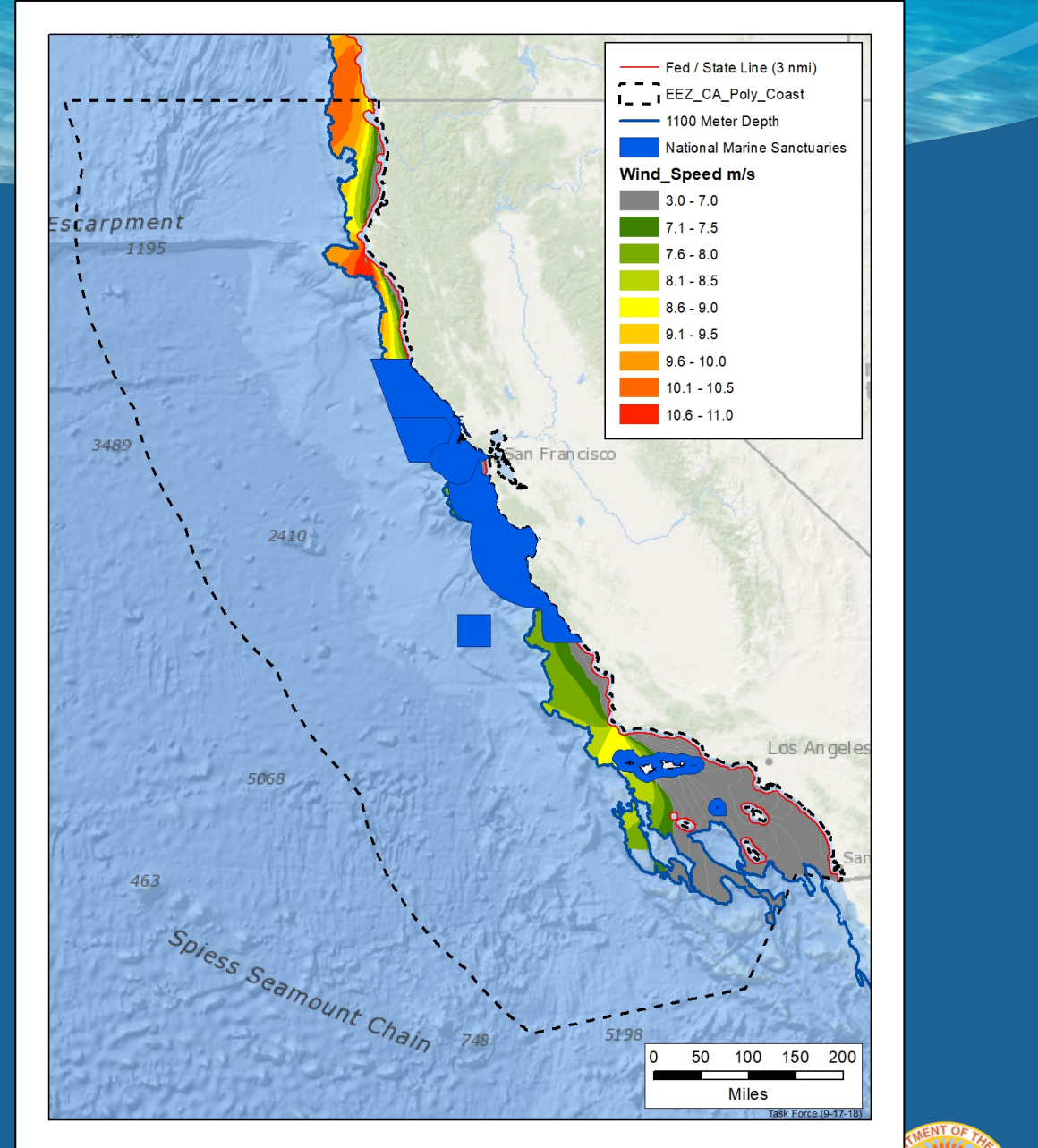
California Offshore Wind

- National Marine Sanctuaries
- 14,000 sq miles

Percent of Federal Waters



- Federal Waters
Depth < 1100 m
Winds > 7 m/s
No Sanctuaries
(14,000 sq mi)
- Federal Waters
(215,000 sq mi)



How Did We Get Here?

BOEM California Intergovernmental Renewable Energy Task Force

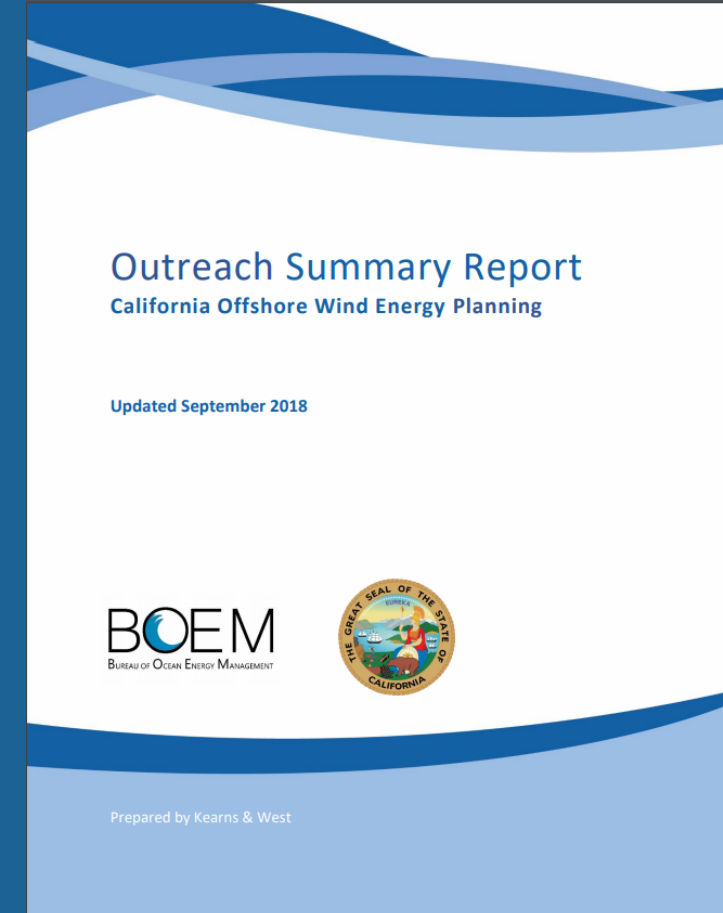
- Serves as a forum to facilitate early and continual coordination, exchange data and information, and discuss stakeholder concerns
- Membership consists of state and federal agencies, local, and tribal governments
- Formation requested by Governor Brown in May 2016
- First Task Force meeting held October 2016
- Second Task Force meeting held September 2018
- Third Task Force meeting (webinar) held March 2020



How Did We Get Here?

Engagement Activities

- **Stakeholder Outreach Plan** created in collaboration with State of California
- **Offshore Wind Energy Gateway** on Data Basin website – transparent, publicly accessible information
- **Tribal Outreach** to federally and non-federally recognized tribes
 - 13 meetings/webinars with tribes
- **Large outreach effort** (75+ meetings over 18 months)



<https://www.boem.gov/sites/default/files/renewable-energy-program/State-Activities/CA/Outreach-Summary-Report-September-2018.pdf>



OCS Renewable Energy Authorization Process Timeline

[Planning & Analysis] [Leasing] [Site Assessment] [Construction & Operations]

Initiate
Leasing Process
(RFI/Call)



Area Identification
Wind Energy Areas

Publish
Leasing Notices

Lease
Granted



Submit SAP



Pre-survey
Meetings/Plan

Site Assessment & Surveys
(maximum timeframe)



BOEM Deems COP
Complete & Sufficient



BOEM
Approves COP



BOEM Environmental
& Technical Reviews



Installation

NEPA/Environmental Reviews



Auction



BOEM Reviews &
Approves SAP



Submit COP

(with Project Design Envelope – optional)



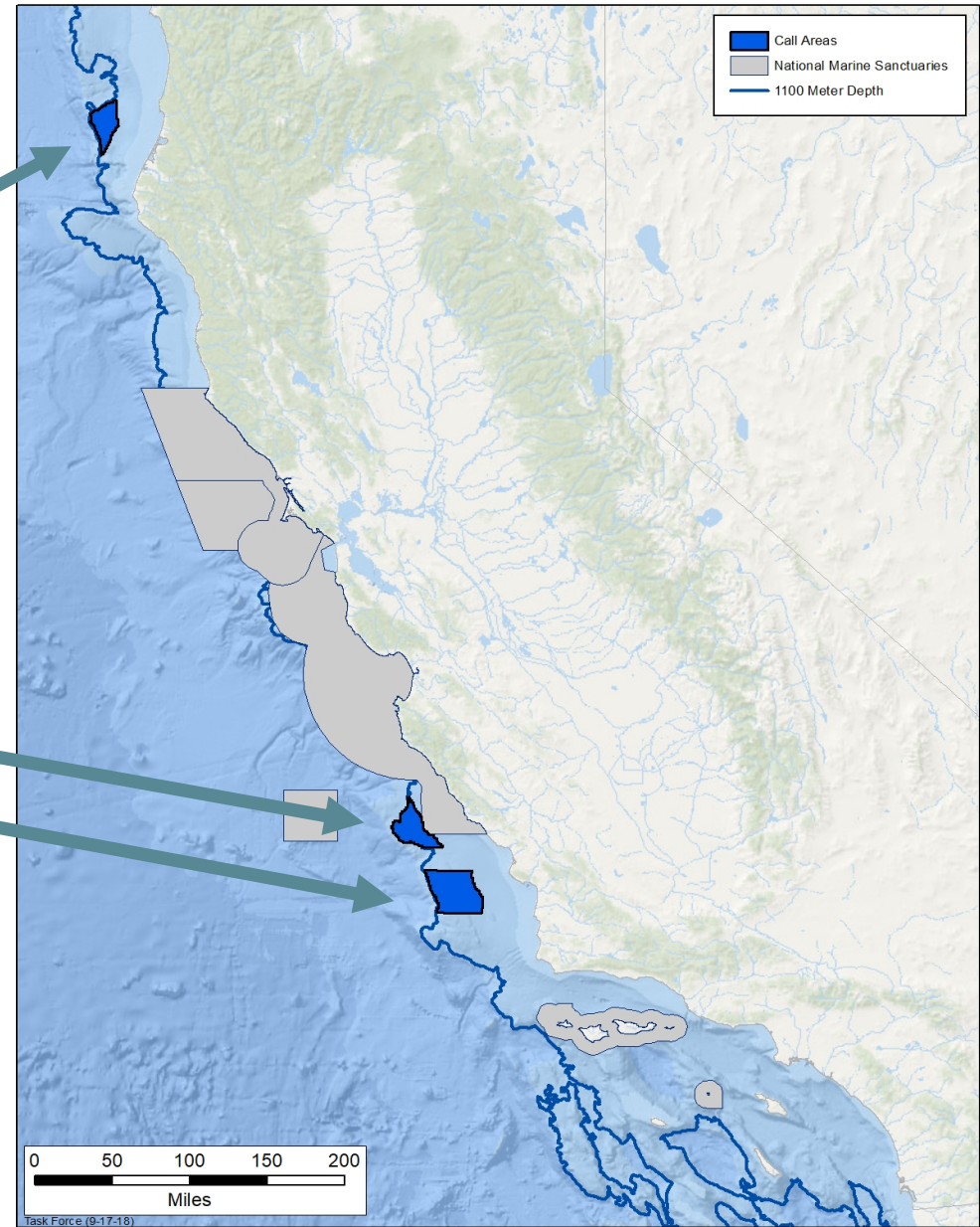
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Stakeholder Engagement



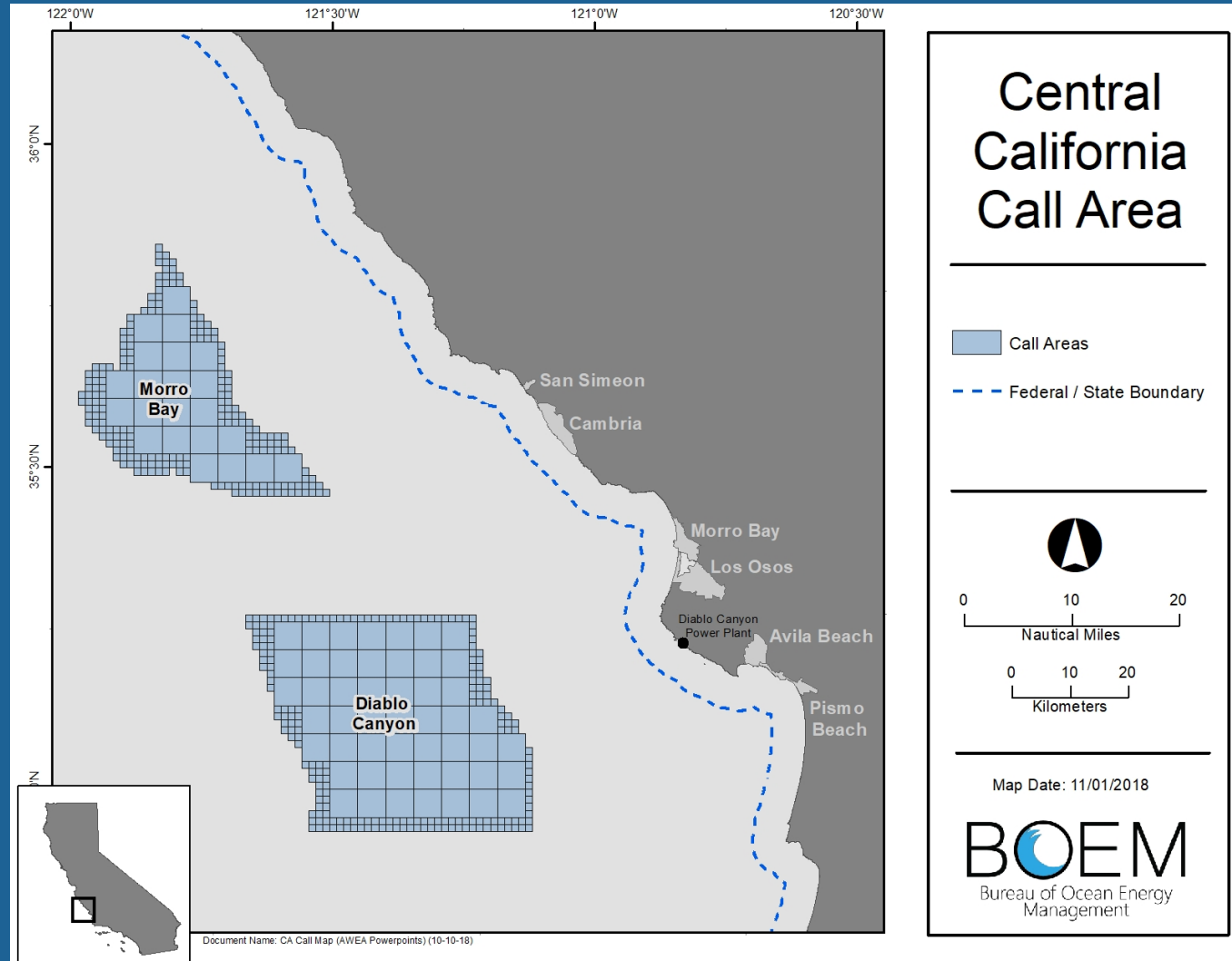
California Call Areas

- **North Coast**
 - Humboldt Call Area
- **Central Coast**
 - Morro Bay Call Area
 - Diablo Canyon Call Area



Central Coast Call Areas

- **Morro Bay Call Area:**
 - 24 miles from Cambria
 - Approximately 311 square miles total area
- **Diablo Canyon Call Area:**
 - 22 miles from Los Osos
 - Approximately 556 square miles total area



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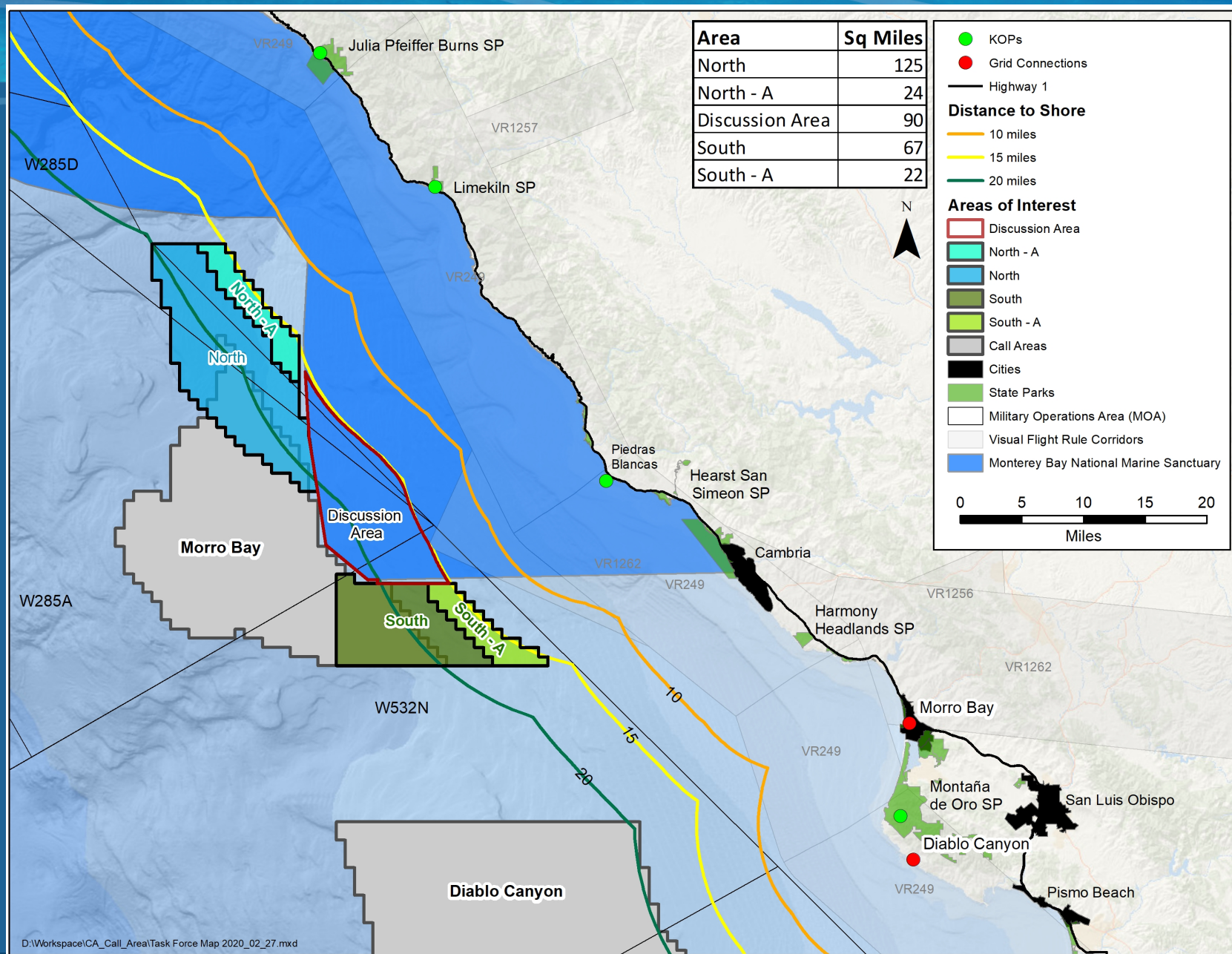
Greg Haas

Senior District Representative, Congressman Salud Carbajal

Working Group Background

- On August 21, 2019, Congressman Carbajal hosted a meeting with senior officials from DoD, BOEM, NOAA Sanctuaries, the California Energy Commission, and state and locally elected representatives.
- A group comprised of DoD, BOEM, NOAA Sanctuaries, Congressman Panetta's office, and state agencies (CEC and Ocean Protection Council) led by Congressman Carbajal's office met multiple times following the August 21, 2019 meeting.
- For more information on the working group, go to:
<https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=232933&DocumentContentId=65381>





Visual Simulations Video

Visual Simulations Video

- The video you are about to see is that of the visual simulation project to understand the potential visual impacts of a hypothetical wind farm when seen from 4 different locations along the central California coast, under different lighting conditions, times of day, and distances from the shore.
- For each of the viewing locations, simulations were produced for 9:00 AM, 1:00 PM, 5:00 PM, and 10:00 PM at distances of 15, 17, and 20 miles from shore.
- A complete set of the 48 visual simulations is available for viewing at: <https://www.boem.gov/regions/pacific-ocs-region/march-9-2020>



Next Steps

- Outreach to Central Coast stakeholders
- CEC taking written comments through July 31, 2020
- Augment existing stakeholder outreach report

To view this video and to see additional simulations, go to:
<https://www.boem.gov/march-9-2020>



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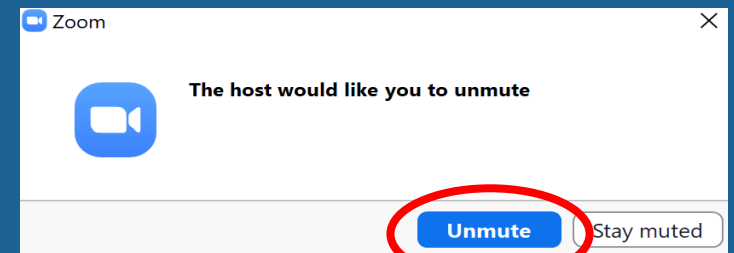
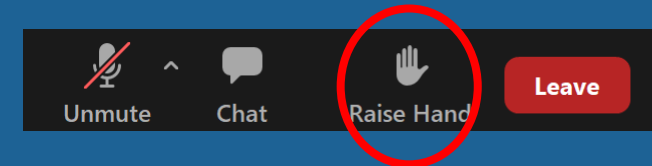
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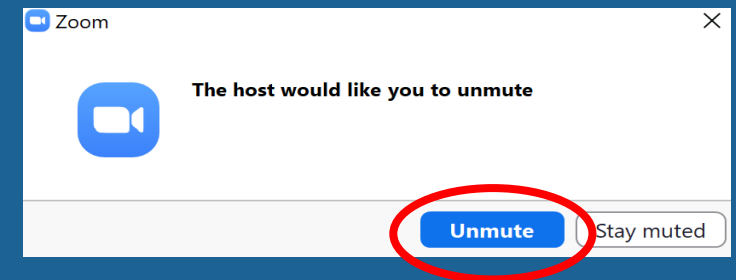
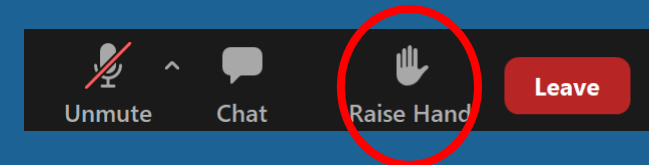
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Closing Remarks

Karen Douglas, CEC Commissioner

Thank you!

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