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REDWOOD COAST Energy Authority

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California Energy Commission
Docket number 17-Misc-01
715 P Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

AB 525 Draft Offshore Wind Strategic Plan - Request for Public Comment Period Extension & Workshop in Humboldt

Dear Chair David Hochschild and Commissioners,

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the California Energy Commission (“CEC”) Draft AB 525 Offshore Wind Strategic Report and all the work that CEC staff and commissioners have put into the thorough report. The AB 525 Offshore Wind Strategic Report will be a critical roadmap for California state agencies and communities.

Due to the breadth of content covered in the report, concurrent offshore wind processes, and the importance of the AB 525 Offshore Wind Strategic Report, we respectfully request the extension of the public comment period to April 26, 2024.

The public comment period extension will support the increased engagement of Tribal Nations, historically underserved communities, and nearby communities – an important recommendation found in the report itself. The extension will also support engagement from stakeholders and advocates impacted by the recent devastating storms across California.

To further ensure meaningful participation in the comment process, we also ask that the CEC host in person workshops on the draft plan in Del Norte and Humboldt.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to submitting comments in response to the publication of the draft AB 525 Offshore Wind Strategic Report.

Sincerely,

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