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EPIC 4 Investment Plan Process, Timeline, and Public Participation

Jonah Steinbuck, CEC

EPIC Investment Planning Background

- The CPUC requires each EPIC administrator to submit an Investment Plan.
- Investment Plans lay out the proposed research investments for the funding period.
- The EPIC 4 Plan will describe the CEC's proposed investments for funding collected from **2021-2025**.
- CEC develops its plan through an open and transparent stakeholder process.
- The previous CEC EPIC Investment Plan can be found at: <u>https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Efile/</u> G000/M185/K575/185575884.PDF
- The Draft Proposed EPIC Interim Investment Plan 2021 can be found at: <u>https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/getdocument.asp</u> <u>x?tn=236221</u>



EPIC 4 Investment Plan Research Themes



Decarbonization

Reduce GHG emissions and use of fossil fuels.



Resilience and Reliability

Manage through and recover from *large-area or longduration outages.* Reduce the frequency or impact of *small-scale or short-duration disruptions* in electric service.

Entrepreneurship

Support clean energy entrepreneurs developing breakthrough technology solutions from idea to market.



Affordability

Improve the affordability of energy services for all electric ratepayers.

EQUITY is an overarching theme for EPIC investment planning. Initiatives will include funding setasides for projects in under-resourced communities and other equity-targeting elements.

EPIC 4 Plan Schedule

Task / Event	Date(s)
Public workshops to solicit stakeholder input on specific topic gaps	May – July 2021
Public workshop to get input and feedback on the CEC's draft research initiatives being considered for the EPIC 4 Investment Plan	August 4, 2021
EPIC 4 Investment Plan considered at CEC Business Meeting for approval	September 2021 (tentative)
EPIC 4 Investment Plan submitted to CPUC	October 1, 2021 (tentative)
CPUC Decision on EPIC 4 Plan expected	Spring-2022 (tentative)
The first EPIC 4 solicitations released	Summer-Fall 2022

EPIC 4 Workshops

Workshop Title and Description	Date
Offshore Wind Energy R&D	Wednesday, July 14, 2021
Opportunities for EPIC 4	1:00 p.m.
Industrial Decarbonization	Friday,
	July 16, 2021
	9:30 a.m.
Technology Advancements for	Tuesday,
Energy Storage	July 20, 2021
	9:30 a.m.
Improving the Bankability of New	Thursday,
Clean Energy Technologies	July 22, 2021
	10:00 a.m.
Draft Initiatives for EPIC 4	Wednesday, August 4, 2021
	9:00 a.m.

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See this event's **notice** for **e-mail and U.S. Mail** commenting instructions: <u>https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/getdocument.aspx?tn=238093</u>

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Session I: Research and Development Opportunities for Floating Offshore Wind Moderator: Kaycee Chang, CEC

Panelists

- A. Habib Dagher, Univ. of Maine Advanced Structures and Composites Center
- B. Senu Sirnivas, National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- C. Zachary Westgate, Norwegian Geotechnical Institute/University of Massachusetts Amherst

Lessons Learned: New England Aqua Ventus I Floating Offshore Wind

DOE Advanced Technology Demonstration Program for Offshore Wind

> CEC Workshop R&D Opportunities for EPIC 4

> > July 14, 2021

Presented by: Prof. Habib Joseph Dagher, PhD, PE Exec. Director, ASCC Center DOE Aqua Ventus Project lead hd@maine.edu +1 (207) 581-2138



US Potential for Floating Wind

60% of US offshore wind resource can be harnessed using floating technology



Outline: Research Opportunities

- **1.** Grid Integration and Storage
- 2. Serial Fabrication and Port Facilities
- 3. Optimized Hull Designs for Local Conditions
- 4. Mooring Lines and Anchors for Deep Waters/ Use of Shared Anchors
- 5. Environmental, Ecological and Fisheries Impacts
- 6. Electrical Infrastructure: Dynamic/inter-array cables & substations
- 7. Farm Layout: Turbine and Anchor Spacing to minimize impacts



1) Grid Integration and Storage: How much offshore wind in CA and how will it be used?



In Maine, 3% of Offshore Wind Resource Electrifies Heating and Transportation = 5 GW



Grid Interconnection Planning

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2) Serial Fabrication& Port Facilities





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Serial Production @ Local Ports: New England Aqua Ventus I



- 1. Designed for local serial production
- 2. Five concrete module types

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3. Start construction 22/23, COD 24



VOLTURNUS TECHLOLOGY: BRIDGE BUILDERS BECOME HULL BUILDER

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3) Optimize Designs for Local Conditions





May 31, 2013: VolturnUS





Castine, Maine (2013)





50-Year Return Period Storm





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4) Mooring lines & Anchors for Deep Water

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Drag or Suction Anchors or others? Water Depth: 300-330ft (Maine) >2,000 ft (CA)

Common anchors?





Mooring Lines: Synthetic vs Chain







5) Environmental Ecological Studies



Extensive ecological, geotechnical, and cultural studies have been completed and are planned:

- Benthos: 2010-13, 2015
- Fish: 2010-15
- Marine Mammals: 2010-15
- Birds: 2010-15
- Bats: 2010-13, 2015
- Noise and Vibration: 2011, 2013
- Electromagnetic Fields: 2011, 2013
- Geophysical: 2010, 2013, 2015
- Terrestrial: 2014
- Aesthetics/Visual: 2013
- Cultural/Historic: 2010, 2014, 2015

Additional questions for floating:

- Interaction of dynamic cables with fisheries



Ecological surveyor deploying equipment for surveys, 2012.





6) Electrical Infrastructure

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- 1. Aqua Ventus 1 has relatively shallow water, with 300-330ft water depth.
- 2. California Waters will require optimization of **dynamic cables** designs: inter-array and export cables.
- **3.** Cable burial and interactions with fisheries
- 4. Substations: Floating or on seabed?





Geophysical Data: Optimizing Anchors and Cables

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Hull Motions and Dynamic Cables

- 1. Designed hull using American Bureau of Shipping's *Guide For Building and Classing Floating Offshore Wind Turbines*.
- 2. Evaluated about 80,000 load cases
- 3. Dynamic cables need to follow hull motions, and resist fatigue loadings

DLC 6.1: 50-year Return Wave Event Ansys AQWA Potential Flow Model







7) Turbine & Anchor Spacing, Fisheries and Navigation





Summary: Research Needs

- 1. Grid Integration and Storage
- 2. Serial Fabrication and Port Facilities
- 3. Optimized Hull Designs for Local Conditions
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CEC Workshop Offshore Wind Energy R&D Opportunities EPIC 4 | Session 1

My Background / NREL / ARPAe USFLOWT / Research Needs

Senu Sirnivas NREL July 14, 2021



National Renewable Energy Laboratory



Oil & Gas Spar Technology Drilling and Production



20 Years

Wind Floating Wind Technology Energy Production



10 Years



40+ Years of Clean Energy Research

- ✓ Founded as Solar Energy Research Institute (SERI) in 1977
- Designated national laboratory in 1991 and renamed National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- ✓ Today managed by the Alliance for Sustainable Energy, LLC, for the U.S. Dept. of Energy





INREL - National Asset / Dedicated Mission

- World-class facilities, renowned technology experts
- Nearly 1,700 employees, including more than 300 earlycareer researchers and visiting scientists
- ✓ Nearly 750 active partnerships
- Campus is a living energy laboratory
- National economic impact of \$872M annually






Why Floating Offshore Wind?



National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Floating Offshore Wind Problem

Offshore floating wind designs are based on Oil & Gas technology that have resulted in bulky and expensive substructure (\$1 million / MW) ... need to lower the LCOE for economic feasibility.



Oil & Gas Technology

Offshore Floating Wind Technology



Less than 7.5 cents/kWh

USFLOWT = SpiderFLOAT+10 MW Turbine

Project Vision

Tailored floating substructure design to meet the challenges of offshore floating wind market by effectively capturing the planet's abundant deep-water wind resources for energy production.

Project Impact

A modular floating offshore wind substructure that offers a substantial cost reduction in CAPEX and OPEX, leveraging local supply chain and onsite manufacturing.







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Co-worker: Xiaohong Chen



Innovation & Objectives

- ✓ Cost cutting beyond conventional designs:
 - Onsite manufacturing and assembly of pre-constructed modular components at port.
 - Quayside pre-commissioning of substructure to minimize offshore operations.
 - Moment free connections for lower cost substructure design.
 - Material use optimized for purpose.
 - Easily detachable system allowing a wet tow back for maintenance.
 - Minimize transfer of wave induced loads and motion to turbine.
 - Additional savings can be realized in installation and maintenance cost.
- ✓ Cost efficient design to address the nation's target of 35% renewable energy by 2050.



Challenges / Mitigation

- ✓ Design with Unprecedented Flexibility:
 - Must be proven for sea-keeping and reliability.
 - Involve control experts, structural engineers and industry advisors to ensure structural integrity.
 - Perform a wave basin model test to validate sea-keeping response to simulations.
- ✓ Modeling Tools for Dynamic Response:
 - Multibody co-simulation tools with linearization do not exist.
 - Use WEIS developed tools to perform CCDinspired approach - discovery through simulations and engineering creativity.
- ✓ Innovative Controls for USFLOWT
 - The platform control articulation system needs to provide active actuation.
 - Balance risks of relying on active versus passive control design.



Research Needs (Three Grand Challenges)

1. Improved understanding of atmospheric and wind power plant flow physics.

Grand challenges in the science of wind energy

Paul Veers, Katherine Dykes, Eric Lantz, Stephan Barth, Carlo L. Bottasso, Ola Carlson, Andrew Clifton, Johney Green, Peter Green, Hannele Holttinen, Daniel Laird, Ville Lehtomäki, Julie K. Lundquist, James Manwell, Melinda Marquis, Charles Meneveau, Patrick Moriarty, Xabier Munduate, Michael Muskulus, Jonathan Naughton, Lucy Pao, Joshua Paquette, Joachim Peinke, Amy Robertson, Javier Sanz Rodrigo, Anna Maria Sempreviva, J. Charles Smith, Aidan Tuohy and Ryan Wiser

https://science.sciencemag.org/content/366/6464/eaau2027

- 2 km - 2 km - 5 km
- 2. Aerodynamics, structural dynamics, and offshore wind hydrodynamics of enlarged wind turbines



3. Systems science for integration of wind power plants into the future electricity grid







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National Renewable Energy Laboratory

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California Energy Commission Floating Offshore Wind Workshop

Zack Westgate, PhD, PE

Manager US Offshore Wind, Norwegian Geotechnical Institute Associate Professor, University of Massachusetts at Amherst

Introduction



- Norwegian Geotechnical Institute
 - Independent international center for research and consultancy
 - Engineering-related geosciences
 - Geotechnical, geological and geophysical expertise



Transitioning from Manager of Offshore Wind (US) to part-time consultant engineer

Introduction

- University of Massachusetts at Amherst
- Joining as Associate Professor of Civil Engineering
 - Marine geotechnics
 - Foundation design
 - Cable/pipeline-soil interaction
 - Development of marine geotechnical curriculum and related multi-disciplinary programs
- Wind Energy Center (formerly RERL)
 - Oldest wind energy education program in the US
 - Leader in wind energy research





NGI's experience with floating structures

- Suction anchors for floating LNG facilities and offshore wind
- Earthquake-triggered debris flow
 impact on anchors for floating bridge
 projects
- Multiline anchors for Hywind Tampen project
- Ankerite JIP lead by NGI with DNV for to develop drag anchor solutions in sands and silts





Research and development needs

- Reducing uncertainty and risk:
 - Seismic risk (landslides, debris flow, liquefaction)
 - Shallow geological characterization
 - Shallow gas
 - Trenching feasibility for cables
 - Cable and mooring line-seabed interaction
- Exploring cost reduction opportunities:
 - Intelligent ground modelling
 - Anchor and mooring configurations
 - Novel foundation options
 - Bio-inspired geotechnics



Seismic hazard

- Humboldt:
 - Cascadia Subduction Zone



- Morro Bay, Diablo Canyon:
 - San Andreas Fault



Shallow ground conditions

- Sediment distribution (clay, silt, sand, bedrock)
- Tectonic uplift, rapid sedimentation, shallow gas



Seismic soil-structure interaction

- Earthquake loading applies ground motions
- Dynamic loading on mooring lines
- Liquefaction of soil
- Permanent foundation displacement



Floating wind foundation options

Suction anchors

Pile anchors

Drag anchors

Gravity anchors

Optimal solution depends on many factors

Multiline anchoring

- NSF-funded work at UMass
 Amherst and Texas A&M
- Study performed on Hywind project with 5 turbines
 - Reduction from 15 to 9 anchors
 - 40% reduction in anchor steel
 - Lower site characterization, material, fabrication, and installation costs
- Multilines being used on Hywind Tampen, and a core focus of future R&D

Multiline anchoring

NSF-funded work at UMass Amherst and

- High reliability
- Low material, fabrication, and handling cost
- High transportation efficiency
 - High lateral
 efficiency
 (capacity/weight) to
 suction anchors
- Vertical efficiency can be improved using keying flaps

Summary

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- Limited seabed data offshore California
- Known area of high seismicity
- Proven anchoring solutions from the oil & gas industry
- Cost reduction opportunities with multiline anchors
- Further cost reductions from foundation anchor optimization
- Interesting developments in bioinspired geotechnical solutions

Panel Discussion Questions

1. What technical developments are most critical to early deployment (next 5 to 10 years) of floating offshore wind in California?

2. What specific research needs, or promising innovations, would help address cost reductions?

3. What target performance metrics, other than levelized cost of energy, would you recommend to measure success of floating offshore wind systems?

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Session II: Facilitating Early Floating Offshore Wind Deployments in California Moderator: Eli Harland, CEC

Panelists

- A. Adrienne Downey, New York State Energy Research & Development Authority
- B. Markus Wernli, WSP
- C. Travis Douville, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

New York's Offshore Wind Program

Adrienne Downey Principal Engineer, Offshore Wind CEC Workshop: Offshore Wind Energy R&D Opportunities for EPIC 4 July 14, 2021

New York State Clean Energy Goals

of offshore wind 135 by

10,000 JOBS **ENOUGH TO POWER 6 MILLION HOMES BILLIONS IN INFRASTRUCTURE** 30% OF NEW YORK'S **ELECTRICITY LOAD**

Regional OSW Market Potential of ~30 GW

More than 4,300 MW in Active Development

Leading the Nation with Five Projects in Active Development

- > More than 6,800 direct jobs
- > Combined economic activity of \$12.1 billion in labor, supplies, development and manufacturing statewide
- > Recent Milestone, March 2021: The Public Service Commission has approved the export cable landing route for the South Fork Wind Farm, New York's first offshore wind project, as part of New York State's Article VII permitting process.

Port Investments and Supply Chain Growth

- > Supported by combined public and private investments of more than \$700 million for port infrastructure
- > Nation's first tower and transition piece manufacturing at Port of Albany
- > Fabricating gravity-based foundations at Port of Coeymans
- State-of-the art staging facility at South Brooklyn Marine Terminal (SBMT)
- > Regional operations and maintenance hubs at SBMT and Port Jefferson, and additional O&M support at Montauk Harbor
- > With many additional New York port facilities with potential to support the offshore wind industry, New York is attracting long-term supply chain investments

Creating Good-Paying Jobs for New Yorkers

- Prioritizing benefits to Disadvantaged
 Communities and supply chain opportunities for MWBEs to support the equity goals of the Climate Act
- > OSW contracts backed by prevailing wage and supportive of project labor agreements
- > NEW State requirements to Buy American and for project peace agreements

Building 9,000 megawatts of offshore wind power by 2035 will create more than 10,000 new jobs

Training New York's Workforce

Combined \$45 million in public and private Workforce Development commitments

- > \$20 million Offshore Wind Training Institute (OWTI) to educate 2,500 New York workers
- > \$10 million to support training programs through the City University of New York (CUNY)
- > \$15 million in private investments in workforce development, training, and just access funding
- > Building strong partnerships between the offshore wind industry, academia, labor, and disadvantaged communities and priority populations to build an inclusive clean energy economy.

Transmission Planning to Support Clean Energy

As part of the 2020-2021 enacted State Budget, New York State announced passage of the Accelerated Renewable Energy Growth and Community Benefit Act (Act)

> The Act instructs the State to conduct a **Power Grid Study** to inform transmission systems investments that will be necessary to achieve the clean energy goals of the Climate Act.

The New York State Department of Public Service has prepared an initial report of findings and recommendations, published 1/19/2021

New York Power Grid Study

DPS Matter Master: 20-00905/20-E-0197

Distribution and Local Transmission Capital Plans ("Local Upgrade Plans")

Bulk Transmission System Investment Plan ("Investment Plan")

Thank you

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Business Sectors

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Transportation & Infrastruct

Property & Buildings

Power & Energy

Resources

Industry

WSP in California

- 11 Offices in California
- Projects in transportation, urban planning and design, bridges, buildings, port facilities, and renewable energy
- Renewable energy projects in over 10 California counties
- Maritime services provided to all major public ports and Navy stations in California
- High-speed rail
- Participation in CEC funded R&D

Offshore Wind Foundation Design Experience

- Hull for New England Aqua Ventus Floating Offshore Wind Demonstration Turbine (NEAV)
- Conceptual Suction Pile Support Structure for 15-MW
 Offshore Wind Turbines (RCAM/NOWRDC)
- 3D Concrete Printed Suction Anchors for Floating Offshore Wind (RCAM/NSF)
- Monopile foundations for Vineyard Wind (Orsted)







Offshore Wind Fabrication Yard Identification and Planning Experience

- New Jersey Wind Port (NJEDA)
- Hypothetical 500-MW floating offshore wind park fabrication and assembly study for East and West Coast (confidential client)
- Concept study for fabrication, assembly, and deployment of 15-MW float-in wind turbines for 1000 MW offshore wind park (NOWRDC/RCAM)
- Preliminary site searches for fabrication and assembly of floating and float-in offshore wind turbines at East and West coast (confidential clients)



Challenges to Floating Offshore Wind Construction

- Deep water
 - Anchorage
 - Dynamic cable
- Remoteness of Developments from major ports facilities
- Build-up of supply chain and work force
- Mass fabrication of large components
- Transportation, lifting, and support vessels (Jones Act)
- Final assembly and marshalling facility with high-capacity wharf, deep water channel, and no air restriction



Opportunities for Floating Offshore Wind Construction

- Job creation local content through engagement of local fabricators
- Existing concrete and steel fabrication industry in California
- New industrial development in regions most affected by offshore wind
- Integration of energy storage in offshore wind (green hydrogen/pumped hydro storage)
- Build-up of local knowhow and technology



R&D Needs

- Infrastructure
 - Fabrication and assembly studies
 - Ports infrastructure studies
 - Maintenance and training facilities
 - Grid Integration/energy storage
 - Floating offshore substations
- Floating Wind Turbine Technology
 - Dynamic cables
 - Mooring systems for deep water
 - Advanced Fabrication Technologies
 - Bathymetry and Ocean Soil Studies
 - Prototype turbines and turbine arrays
- Environmental Impact
 - Marine life
 - Bird migration
- Economic Impact
 - Supply chain, transportation, and workforce development
 - Impact on fishing and maritime industry
 - Stakeholder identification and involvement



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Offshore Wind Energy Systems Integration CEC EPIC 4 Workshop

July 14, 2021

Travis C. Douville, PE



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Multi-disciplinary OSW research competencies

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Oregon OSW grid value (BOEM 2020-026)



OR HB3375: 3GW

by 2030 Target

Key Findings

- Regional transmission may carry 2-3GW of Offshore Wind (OSW) with minimal transmission investment and power export.
- 2. OSW power flows relieve historic E-W transmission flows, serving coastal loads & freeing transmission for new generation.
- 3. OSW complements regional hydropower, onshore wind, and solar energy resources.

VRE Study





Extension of work by NOWRDC¹

NOWRDC Solicitation 1.0 Award:

An Offshore Wind Energy Development Strategy to Maximize Electrical System Benefits in Southern Oregon and Northern California

- 18-month effort
- Optimization of generation footprint for system value
- Evaluation of three conceptual transmission scenarios
- Guided by an Industry Advisory Board
- Extension in-work to evaluate Bay Area power flows

Capabilities to deploy:

- Customized dispatch modelling
- Resource adequacy estimation
- Large-scale HVDC and MTDC Modeling
- Low-frequency AC transmission design
- Energy storage co-location
- Real-time path rating

Energy Secretary Granholm Announces Ambitious New 30GW Offshore Wind Deployment Target by 2030

Department of Energy





- Hybrid EMT-TS² simulations
- Remedial Action Schemes
- Deferrable Loads Feasibility

Pacific Northwest NATIONAL LABORATORY Grid integration research needs

System OSW dispatch and power flow analyses

- Key transmission flow gates
- Utility of operational transmission strategies
- Focused, near-term studies to aid transmission planning considerations
- Evaluation of constraints from generation all the way to load centers
- Feasibility of deferring transmission investments through storage or deferrable loads

Capacity valuation

- Regional generation mix
- Clean energy policies
- Variability of hydro production
- Complementarity with projections of generation and load

Resilience valuation

- Wildfires
- Regional heat waves
- Reinforcing coastal grids

Port infrastructure research needs

Integrated, State-wide Planning for Ports and Supply Chain

• Multi-port strategies

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- How can multiple ports be used to create an economically efficient supply chain to deliver OSW components across the state?
- E.g. Some ports built for cargo may not have sufficient ground carrying capacity for OSW components
- Multi-use port strategies
 - How to leverage turbine shipping, manufacturing, and towing infrastructure for other purposes
 - How can OSW support and initiate port electrification

Understanding Navigational Constraints in California

- Channel widths to support towing of floating turbines are a key parameter
 - Future turbine and substructure growth may exceed navigational width of existing channels
 - Widening channels requires a lengthy approval and permitting process
- Tow distance and service port envelope studies
 - Develop understanding of which ports can serve different OSW locations
 - Can central and northern California ports work together to provide complementary support and service to the same OSW farms?



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Thank you





Panel Discussion Questions

1. What are some research opportunities for advancing floating offshore wind energy to accelerate the transition to clean energy?

2. What innovations would help the offshore wind industry capitalize on its complementary generation profile with solar?

3. What does the grid of the future look like and what are key challenges to grid integration and transmission that can be addressed through research?



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Session III: Floating Offshore Wind Environmental Impact Assessment and Minimization

Moderator: David Stoms CEC

Panelists

- A. Kristen Hislop, Environmental Defense Center/Pacific Offshore Wind Energy Research
- B. Jim Lanard, Magellan Wind/Pacific Offshore Wind Energy Research
- C. Justine Kimball, Ocean Protection Council

Floating Offshore Wind Environmental Impact Assessment and Minimization

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> Kristen Hislop Director, Marine Conservation Program Environmental Defense Center

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The Environmental Defense Center works to protect and enhance the local environment through education, advocacy, and legal action.





Environmental Defense Center's service area includes the counties of San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura. The Central Coast Call Areas are offshore San Luis Obispo County.



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Environmental Considerations

Advance responsible offshore wind energy while setting a high bar for planning, monitoring, adaptive management, and mitigation







Pacific Offshore Wind Energy Research Group

A working group comprised of environmental nonprofits and industry to forward progress on identifying floating offshore wind research needs early in the process.

Research needs sent to BOEM December 2020: Birds/Bats

- Establish a Motus radio-tracking network; radio/satellite telemetry study of avian and bat species
- Long-term, fine scale digital aerial seabird surveys to inform siting, risk assessment, and monitoring
- Regional population viability analysis of key seabird species of California
- Development of a standard protocol for regional seabird offshore wind displacement study

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Pacific Offshore Wind Energy Research Group

A working group comprised of environmental nonprofits and industry to forward progress on identifying floating offshore wind research needs early in the process.

Marine Mammals, Fishes, and Benthic Habitats

- Analysis of secondary entanglement risk from floating offshore wind turbines
- Marine mammal habitat displacement risk analysis
- Analysis of distribution impacts to marine mammals and fishes
- Analysis of offshore wind-related structures impact on benthic habitats
- Evaluation of electromagnetic field (EMF) risk to sensitive species
 Monitoring
- Creation of a monitoring technologies development roadmap

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Additional Needs

- Shut down protocols
- Fishing effort data
- Cumulative impacts
- Mitigation funds
- Adaptive management
- Methods to ensure consistent data collection across projects to foster comparison of monitoring, etc.

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CEC Workshop on EPIC 2021-2025 Investment Plan Scoping

Offshore Wind Energy R&D Opportunities for EPIC 4 *Environmental Impact Assessment and Minimization*

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Deep Water Projects on Floating Foundations

Water Depths Near Population Centers



Source: NOAA

*Anomaly: Limited world-wide shallow water areas (<50m) for fixed foundations **Normal: Considerably more developable wind farm areas will require floating foundations

Floating Offshore Wind Technologies Advancing Rapidly



- The total global floating offshore wind pipeline was 7,663 MW at the end of 2019, based on projects that have announced their planned capacity.
- 1,549 MW of floating offshore wind has reached the permitting stage.
- The 25.2-MW WindFloat
 Atlantic, the second floating
 project in Europe, became fully
 operational in 2020.
- The primary driver for pipeline expansion is the movement toward commercial-scale projects developing in Asia.
- Asia and the Middle East 23 projects totaling > 3.2 GW
- Europe 41 projects totaling > 2 GW
- North America 7 projects totaling > 2 GW

Source: NREL "2019 Offshore Wind Technology Data Update," October 2020

Bottom-Fixed and Floating Foundation Technologies





Stiesdal Offshore Technologies: Industrialized Tetra Foundations



configuration. Suited for 80-500 m depth.

TetraSpar[®] Floating foundation

Floating foundation in spar-buoy configuration. Suited for 100-1000+ m depth.

Assembly of TetraSpar



Up-ending of the center column at the port of Grenaa, Denmark. Photo credit: The TetraSpar Demonstrator Project ApS

Assembly of TetraSpar



Mounting of the diagonals using maintenance-free proprietary technologies for fast assembly. Photo credit: The TetraSpar Demonstrator Project ApS

Completed TetraSpar Foundation and Keel



Completed foundation and keel. Photo credit: The TetraSpar Demonstrator Project ApS

Preparing TetraSpar Demo for Tow Out



TetraSpar Demo Video Tow Out from Grenaa Seaport in Denmark Monday, 12 July 2021

https://twitter.com/RWE_AG/status/1414467432194904066
General Questions and Comment*

- Current status of wildlife detection systems at offshore wind farms
 - What new technologies would benefit species found in the California Current?
- Do wind farms lead to prey migration?
- What's the best way to ensure all stakeholders including commercial fishers, California Tribes, and environmental justice communities have opportunities to be fully engaged in the development of offshore wind policies?
- What are best practices for installation and operations and maintenance
- Potential for cumulative impacts of multiple wind farms
- It is recommended that the CEC and BOEM consult on research priorities that might be funded through EPIC 4 and BOEM's 2022-2023 Studies Development Plan; see <u>https://www.boem.gov/sites/default/files/documents/environment/environmental-</u> <u>studies/SDP_2022-2023.pdf</u>

*Questions on this and the following slides are derived from collaborative discussions (still ongoing) among participants in the Pacific Offshore Wind Energy Research (POWER) Group.

Protecting Avian/Bat Species

- What's out there?
- Will birds/bats fly through a wind farm? At what heights?
 - Are collision risk models adequate for species in the California Current?
 - Can technology be developed so that real time data can inform the need to temporarily – but quickly – shut down a turbine or a string of turbines?
 - Mitigation options/new technology development to prevent/reduce collisions
- Will birds/bats fly around wind farms?
 - How to measure?
 - Cost of energy to get to feeding areas
 - Implications if there is a change in migratory patterns
- Does aircraft warning lighting create a risk of collisions? Should there be mitigation?
- Will new avian/bat species be attracted to wind farms?
 - Would this be a benefit increased biodiversity or a risk? If a risk, what measures could be adopted to reduce colonization of new species?

Protecting Marine Species

- What's out there?
- During deployment and O&M, there will be increased vessel traffic to/from an offshore wind farm. What precautions will be needed? Observers? Speed restrictions? Seasonal restrictions?
- Will marine species swim through a wind farm?
 - Potential for collisions? Mitigation options/new technology development to prevent/reduce collisions
- Will marine species swim around wind farms?
 - Cost of energy needed to get to foraging areas
 - Implications if there is a change of migratory patterns
- Do offshore wind farms create additional risks of secondary entanglement caused by derelict fishing gear?
 - Is there a need for new monitoring systems to identify entangled gear?
 - Would removal of derelict gear caught in the mooring system of a floating wind turbine reduce overall risk of entanglement? What is best way to remove ensnared derelict gear?
- Do offshore wind farms create sounds mooring line movements, vibrations that are problematic to marine life?
- Is EMF a risk? What are potential mitigation measures?
- Risks associated with inter-array cables
- Will new marine species be attracted to wind farms?
 - Would this be a benefit increase in biodiversity or a risk? If a risk, what measures could be adopted to reduce colonization of new species?

Protecting Benthic Habitats

- Mooring systems
 - Are catenary or taut lines better at managing potential risk?
 - Would anchoring systems create risks to the seabed?
 - Are there bottom scour reduction options?
- Do floating inter-array cables affect water column turbulence that could affect prey distribution/composition?
- Potential to attract new animals or plants to the seabed
 - Implications of this potential

Thanks for Your Attention

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Ocean Protection Council's role



California Ocean Protection Act, 2004: Ensuring healthy, resilient, and productive ocean and coastal ecosystems for the benefit of current and future generations. Committed to basing decisions and actions on best available science and promoting the use of science

science and promoting the use of science among all entities involved in the management of ocean resources.



Key OPC Investments and Next Steps



https://caoffshorewind.databasin.org/

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- Mapping ocean fishing grounds west of the California coastal counties of Del Norte, Humboldt and Mendocino (in progress; complete Dec. 2021)
- Identifying offshore wind energy least-conflict areas and incorporation of marine environmental data into existing online planning tools (in progress; complete Sept. 2021)
- Analysis of existing marine environmental data in relation to BOEM Call Areas (in progress; complete Dec. 2021)
- \$2M appropriated in 2021-22 Budget to support additional environmental and port studies





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Thank You

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Panel Discussion Questions

1. What areas of environmental research are most critical to support sustainable development of floating offshore wind on California's Outer Continental Shelf?

2. What mitigation tools can and should be prioritized for development, where environmental impacts are sufficiently understood? Can some impacts be reduced through smarter design of floating offshore wind technologies?

3. What advances in monitoring technologies are most needed to support adaptive management for floating offshore wind?

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