



MARYLAND OFFSHORE ENERGY TASK FORCE

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MISSIONS

- Maritime Safety
 - Aids to Navigation (ATON)
 - Search and Rescue (SAR)
- Maritime Security
- Maritime Mobility
- National Defense
- Protection of Natural Resources



AUTHORITY

- PORTS AND WATERWAYS SAFETY ACT (PWSA) P.L. 95-474; 33 U.S.C. 1223
- SECRETARY OF DHS
 - Delegated to the Coast Guard.
 - Navigable waters of the U.S.
 - Provide safe access routes ... to and from ports or other places... United States.
 - Reconcile safe access with needs of other reasonable uses.



CG ROLE FOR OREI'S FEDERAL LEVEL

- Cooperating agency with the LPA for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) purposes
 - ✓ Develop RECOMMENDED terms and conditions to provide for safety of navigation
 - ✓ Minimize potential impacts on other CG missions (SAR, Marine Safety, Maritime Security, Maritime Mobility, Protection of Natural Resources, National Defense)
- **WILL NOT APPROVE/DISAPPROVE PROJECT OR ISSUE PERMIT**

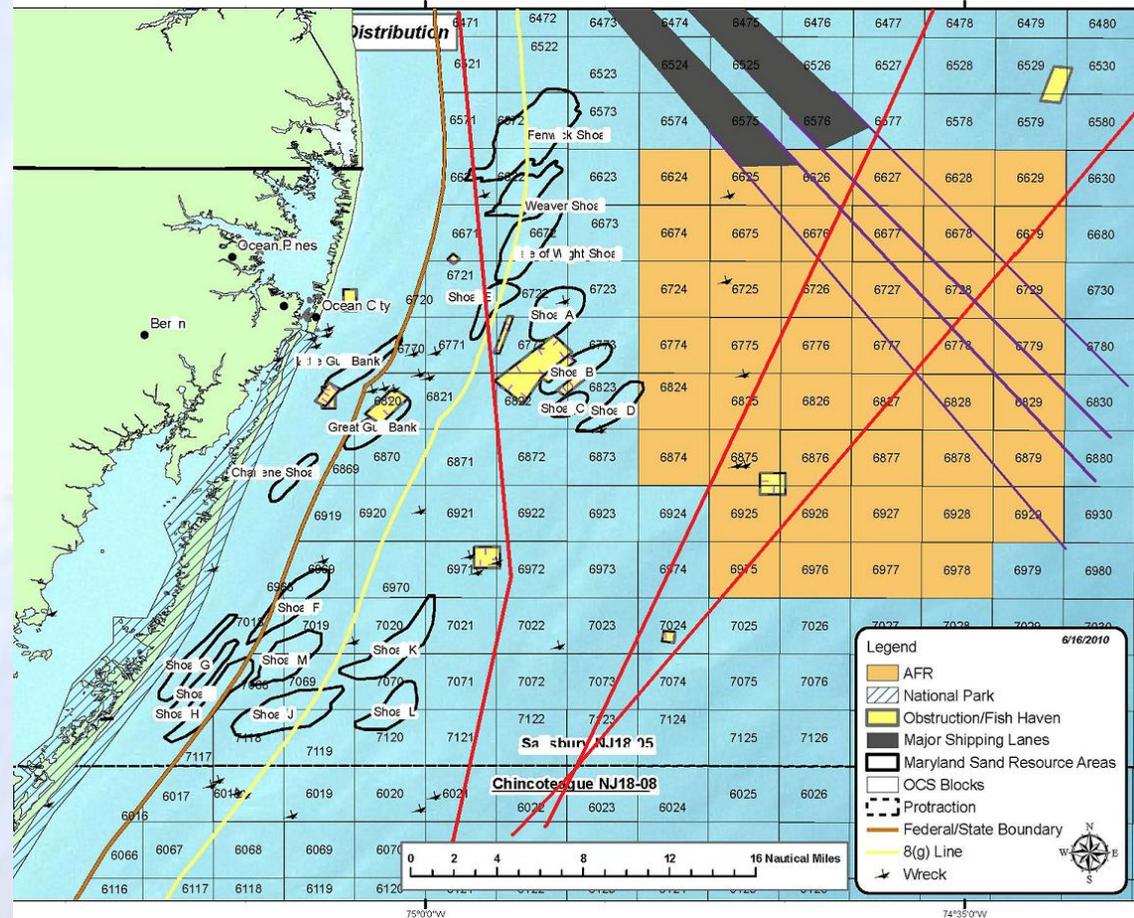


INCONVENIENT/PROBLEMATIC

- Impacts our missions
- Channels (USACE or natural)
- Harbor entrances
- Anchorages
- Routing measures
- Traditional shipping routes
- Other uses



AREA OF INTEREST POTENTIAL IMPACTS





NEEDED INFORMATION

- Project specifications:
 - Location
 - # of wind turbines
 - Size / Footprint / Spacing
- Navigation Safety Risk Assessment
 - Within the site
 - Proximity
 - Traffic density/patterns/vessel type



DELIVERABLES

- Safety of navigation determination
- Impacts to other CG missions determination
- Recommended terms and conditions
 - Plans / Procedures
(SOP/Staffing/Comms/Monitoring/Maintenance)
 - PATON
 - Mitigation measures
 - Charting / Marine Information
 - Routing Measures / Exclusion Zones



QUESTIONS?



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