

# BOEM-Hawaii Intergovernmental Renewable Energy Task Force



# Fourth Renewable Energy Task Force Meeting

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#### **Topics for Presentation**

- Hawaii Lease Requests
- Overview of the Competitive Leasing and Planning Process
- Call Area Presentation and Discussion
- BOEM Community Outreach Efforts





### **BOEM Leasing Update**

## **Unsolicited Lease Requests**

Offshore Oahu





#### **Summary of Lease Requests**

#### AW Hawaii Wind, LLC (AWH)

- Two proposed areas for lease
  - AWH Oahu Northwest Project
    - 12 miles northwest of Kaena Point
  - AWH Oahu South Project
    - 17 miles south of Diamond Head
- Each project describes ~400
   MW generation
- 51 turbines
- ~600 feet tall

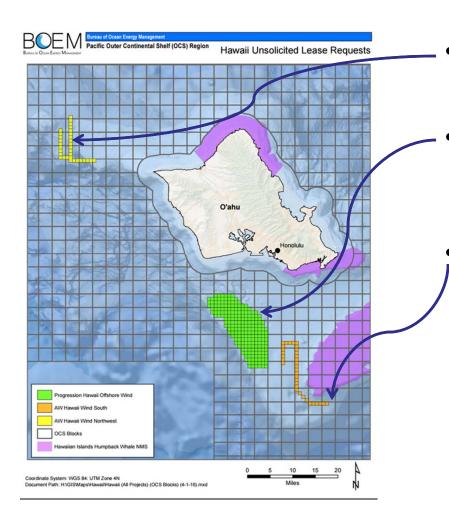
# Progression Hawaii Offshore Wind Inc. (Progression)

- One proposed area
  - Progression South Coast of Oahu Project
    - 9 miles southeast of Barber's Point
- ~400 MW
- 40-50 turbines, sited 1-1.5 miles apart
- ~600 feet tall





#### **Areas Proposed for Lease**



- AWH's request to lease for the Oahu Northwest Project
- Progression's request to lease for the South Coast of Oahu Project
- AWH's request to lease for the Oahu South Project





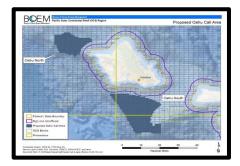
## **Overview of the BOEM Leasing Process**





#### **Renewable Energy Leasing Process**

# Planning and Analysis



- Intergovernmental Task Force
  - Call for Information & Nominations (Call)
- AreaIdentification
- Environmental reviews

#### Leasing



- Publish leasing notices
- Issue lease(s)

#### **Site Assessment**



- Site Characterization
- Site Assessment Plan (SAP)

# Construction and Operations



- Construction and Operations Plan (COP)
- Facility Design
   Report &
   Fabrication and
   Installation Report
- Decommissioning





#### **Planning and Analysis**

- Task Force Collaboration
- Input to Federal Register Notices
- Area Identification
  - Designation of Wind Energy Areas (WEAs)
  - Environmental Review Performed on Areas
     Identified







- Proposed Sale Notice (PSN)
  - 60 day public comment period
- Final Sale Notice
  - Must be issued 30 days prior to the auction
- Auction
- Lease Issuance
- Site Assessment Plan
- Construction and Operations Plan







- 12 months to develop a Site Assessment Plan
  - Describe site characterization
    - How lessee would measure the distinct character of a site (e.g., surveys of coral reefs, shipwrecks, marine mammals)
  - Describe proposed activities to measure the wind resource (e.g., meteorological buoy)
- Once approved, 5 years to conduct activities described in the SAP



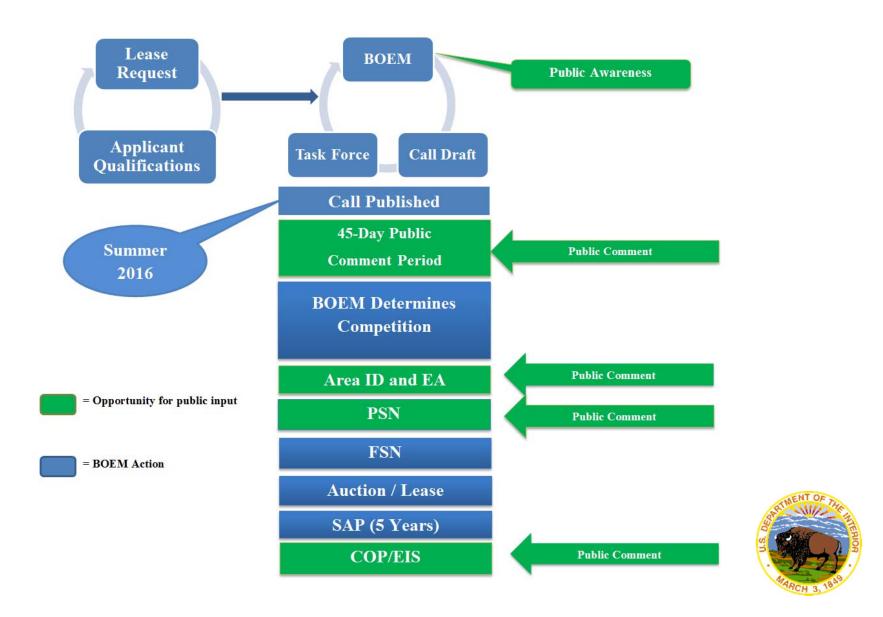
#### **Construction and Operations**

- Lessee to develop a Construction and Operations Plan (COP) that describes construction and operations of an offshore wind facility.
- Once the COP is approved, lessee submits Facility Design Report and Fabrication and Installation Report prior to constructing facilities





#### **Overview of the Competitive Leasing Process**





## **Questions?**

Up Next: Call Area Briefing





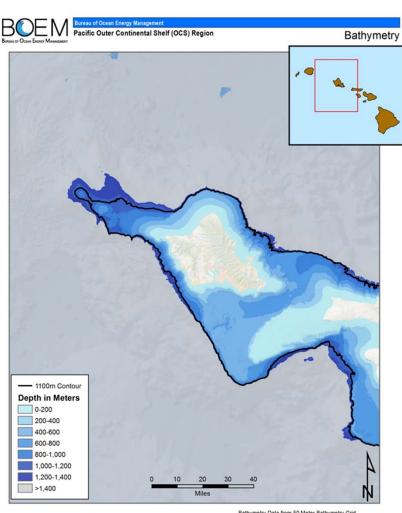
# Oahu Call Area Briefing

Determining Suitable Areas





#### Water Depth



#### Coordinate System: WGS 84: UTM Zone 4N Service Layer Credits: Esri, DeLorme, GEBCO, NOAA NGDC, and other Document Path: H:\GIS\Maps\Hawaii\Call\Hawaii Call (Bathymetry) (2-24-16).mxd

Bathymetry Data from 50 Meter Bathymetry Grid Hawaii Mapping Research Group University of Hawaii at Manoa http://www.soest.hawaii.edu/HMRG/multibeam/bathymetry.php

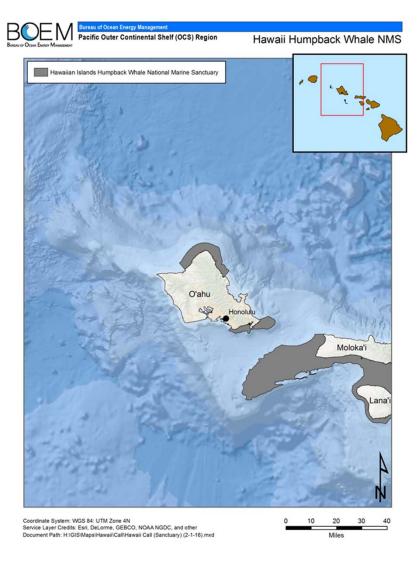
#### **Feasible Depths**

- Theoretically, the engineering can accommodate any depth
- 1,100 meters is the practical limit





### **No BOEM Authority**



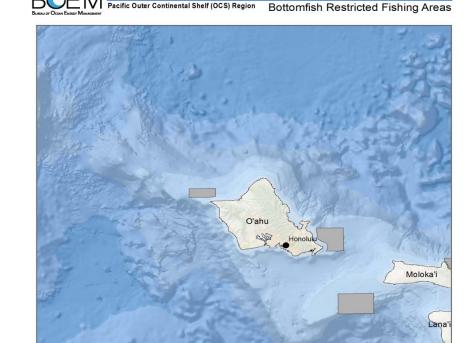
Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary





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#### **Bottomfish Restricted Fishing Areas**

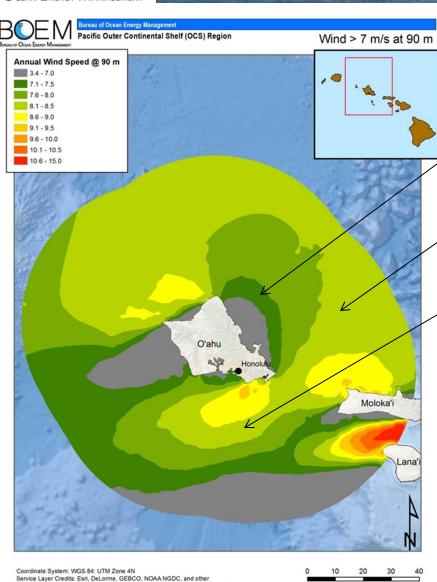


- Areas protected by the State of Hawaii
- Hawaii Bottomfish Restricted
   Fishing Areas -- as determined by the Division of Aquatic
   Resources, Department of Land and Natural Resources





#### **Wind Speeds**



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**Green:** evaluation of wind resource begins at 7 meters per second (m/s)

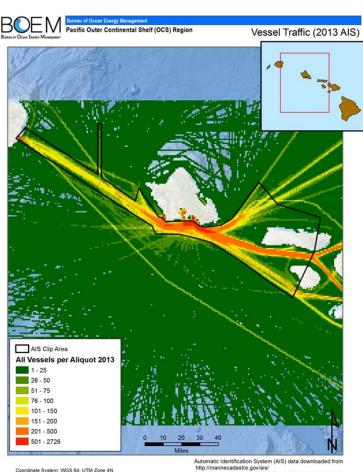
**Light Green:** ideal wind is above 8.0 m/s

**Yellow:** Leasing is proposed in areas of wind speeds in the 8.5-9.0 m/s range





#### **AIS Vessel Traffic**



#### Coordinate System: WGS 84: UTM Zone 4N Service Layer Credits: Esri, DeLorme, GEBCO, NOAA NGDC, and other Document Path: H:\GIS\Maps\Hawaii\Call\Hawaii\Call\(AIS\)\(2-24-16\).mxd

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#### **Vessel Traffic:**

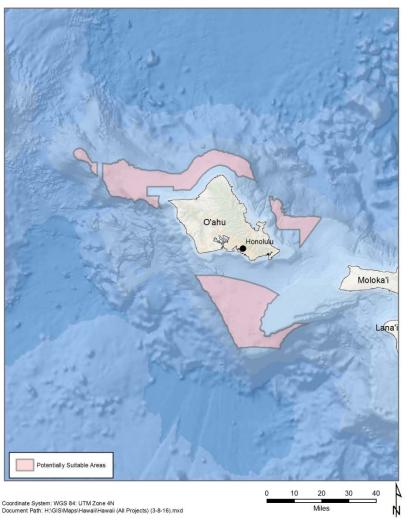
- **Automatic Identification System** (AIS) Data
  - Ships > 300 Gross Tons
- BOEM Aliquots (1200 x 1200 meters) color coded:
  - Red = High Traffic
  - Yellow = Moderate Traffic
  - Green = Low Traffic





#### **Potential Suitable Areas**





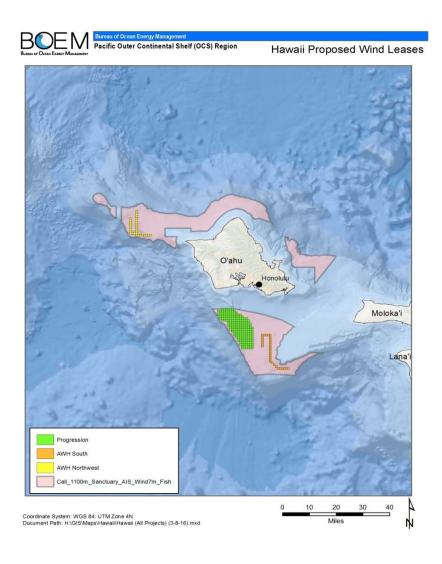
# Areas remaining after consideration of:

- Water Depth
- Marine Sanctuary
- Bottomfish Restricted
   Fishing Areas
- Vessel Traffic
- Wind Speed





## Suitable Areas in Relation to Developer Proposals

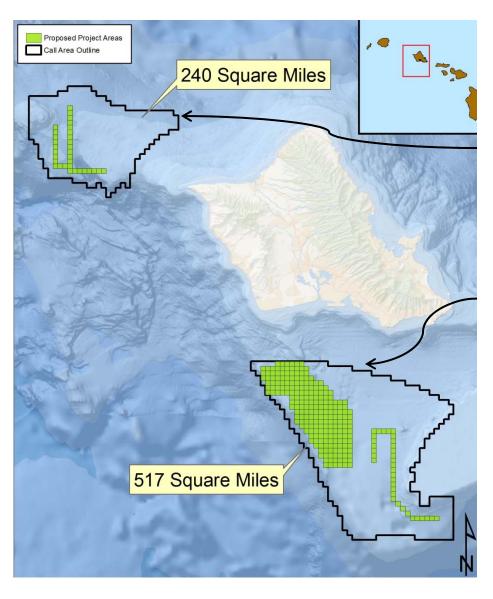


 Selected the large contiguous areas to allow for maximum flexibility during Area Identification





#### Oahu Call Area



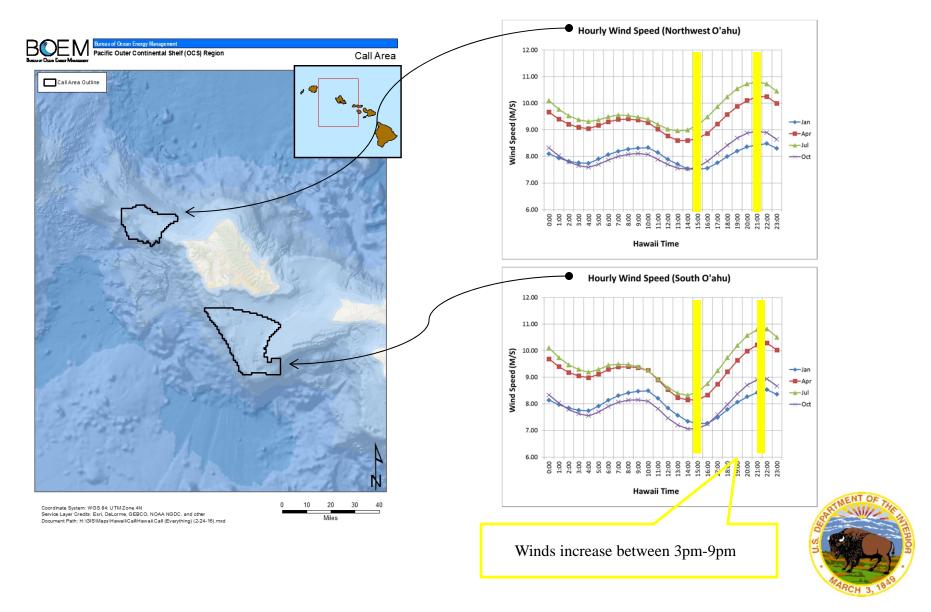
Two non-contiguous areas, one "Oahu Call Area"

- 1. Oahu North
  - West of Kaena Point
  - 240 square miles
  - Closest to shore: 8 miles
- 2. Oahu South
  - South of Barber's Point
  - 517 square miles
  - Closest to shore: 8 miles



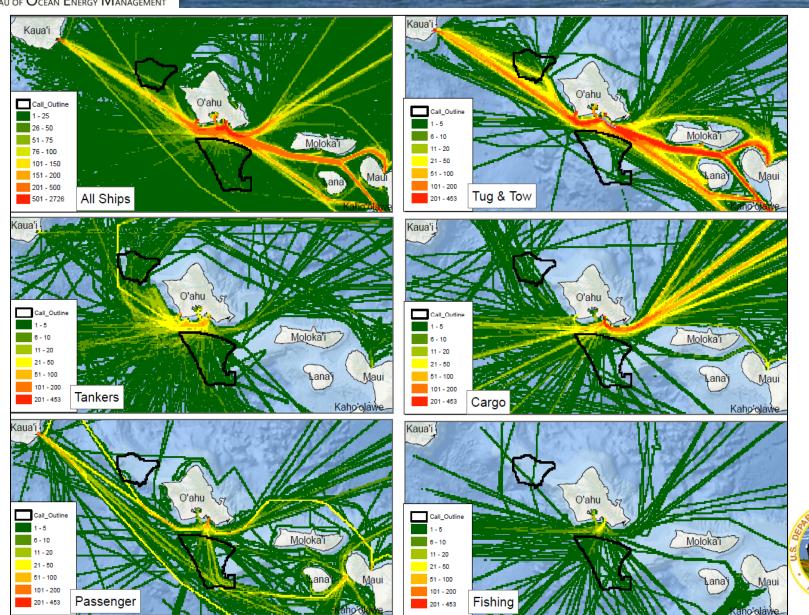


### Wind Ramps Up As Sun Sets





### **Breakout by Vessel Type**





#### **End of Call Area Briefing**

## **Questions on the Call Area?**

Up Next: BOEM Community Engagement Efforts





## **Community Engagement**

# **BOEM Meets the Community**





#### **Objectives of Community Outreach**

- Stakeholder outreach is a priority for BOEM
- Eight local community groups to date
- More on the way
- Objectives:
  - increase awareness of BOEM leasing process
  - provide information on how to provide input to the BOEM leasing and NEPA processes
- Plan to identify issues relating to multiple ocean uses and environmental and cultural resource concerns





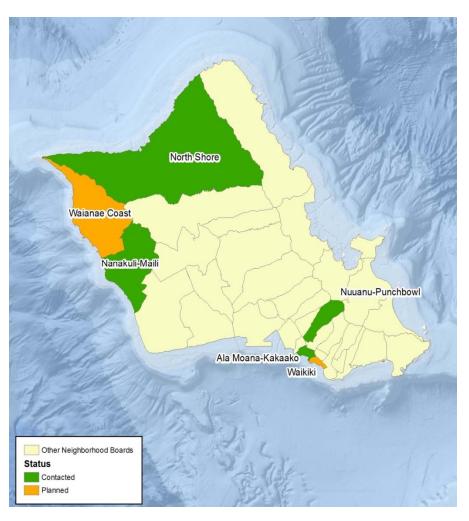
#### Who has BOEM met?

- Aha Moku
- Surfrider, Oahu Chapter
- Ala Moana Neighborhood Board No. 11
- Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board Chair
- Ulupono Initiative
- Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council
- North Shore Neighborhood Board Chair
- Blue Planet Foundation





### **Neighborhood Boards**



- Contact made with Neighborhood Board Commission (NBC)
- Through the NBC, BOEM reached out to Neighborhood Board (NB)
   Chairs on:
  - North Shore
  - Leeward side
  - Honolulu Areas
- Presented at NB No. 11, Ala Moana, on April 26, 2016.
- Will present at Nuuanu-Punchbowl NB No. 12 on June 21, 2016.





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