

(4) Synthesize relevant findings from other BOEM-supported research into EIA focal area descriptions, and coordinate with relevant ongoing BOEM-supported research.

Methods:

Fuzzy set analysis will be used to finalize the location of individual counties within EIAs where trade and labor market analysis failed to reach consensus on revised EIAs from the GUP. Variables that serve as primary measures of OCS energy industry dependency will be identified. Factor analysis will be employed to generate an index to tease out counties/parishes that would be considered focal areas for future BOEM research emphasis. Geographic supply chains that link inter-industry demand between geographic areas (either single counties or multi-county regions) will be identified using IMPLAN.

Products:

Two final reports will arise from this project. The first report will summarize and provide a brief overview of the new EIAs. The second report will provide a more detailed presentation of the methods and results of this project.

Importance to BOEM:

The geographic units defined by this project will be used to organize data and other aspects of BOEM's social impact analyses. This study will also produce various data which can be used in future BOEM analyses.

Current Status:	This study was awarded in August 2012.
Final Report Due:	A preliminary draft of the first report was submitted in November 2014. The second report will be due in 2015.
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