

BOEM's Noncompetitive Leasing Process & Next Steps: WindFloat Pacific Project



Source: Principle Power

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WindFloat Leasing Process

- Principle Power, Inc. submits unsolicited lease proposal to BOEM (May 2013)
- BOEM publishes Request for Interest (RFI) in the Federal Register (September 2013)
- BOEM publishes Determination of No Competitive Interest (DNCI) in the Federal Register (February 2014)
- BOEM publishes Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) in the Federal Register (May 2014)
- 5. Principle Power, Inc. submits Construction and Operations Plan (COP) to BOEM
- BOEM reviews COP and completes environmental review
- 7. BOEM may issue a Lease for the proposed project
- Construction and operations may begin



BOEM Step 3: BOEM Publishes DNCI

- BOEM published a Determination of No Competitive Interest (DNCI) in the Federal Register in February 2014
- Principle Power plans to conduct surveys over the Summer 2014 (estimated) to gather additional information to develop their COP
- Principle Power plans to submit a COP to BOEM





Step 4: BOEM publishes NOI for EA

- BOEM published a Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare an Environmental Assessment in the Federal Register on May 29, 2014
- 60-day comment period for parties to respond to the NOI with comments
- BOEM held two public scoping meetings at the Coos Bay Public Library June 17, 2014
- BOEM held fishing outreach meeting at the Charleston Marina & RV Park June 18, 2014
- Public comment period open until July 28, 2014



BOEM Step 5: PPI Submits the COP

- BOEM anticipates Principle Power will submit a COP to BOEM in late Fall 2014 (estimated)
- BOEM will publish a copy of the COP online on the BOEM website for public viewing





Step 6: BOEM Completes EA & Reviews COP

- BOEM begins review on the contents of the COP
- Contents of the COP may be discussed during future Oregon Task Force or other meetings
- BOEM prepares a preliminary environmental assessment (EA) and circulates it to the public for comment (expected in Spring 2015)
- BOEM distributes a final environmental assessment, and a findings document to the public (expected in Summer 2015)



BOEM Step 7: BOEM May Issue Lease

- BOEM may approve, disapprove or approve the COP with modification
- If BOEM approves or approves the COP with modification, BOEM may issue a lease
- If BOEM issues a lease, BOEM would publish a Notice of Lease Issuance in the Federal Register
- BOEM publishes a copy of the lease online on the BOEM website for public viewing





Step 8: Construction & Operations

- Construction may begin the project, pending any additional required permits or authorizations from other federal or state agencies
- Principle Power anticipates delivering electricity from the project by the end of 2017



Opportunities to Provide Input

- Oregon Task Force meetings
- Other outreach meetings or discussions
- NEPA scoping meetings
- Federal Register notices:
 - Request for Interest (RFI)
 - Notice of Intent to prepare a NEPA document
 - Notice of Draft NEPA document





Thank you.

BOEM website for more information:

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