Planning for Commercial Wind Leasing Offshore South Carolina

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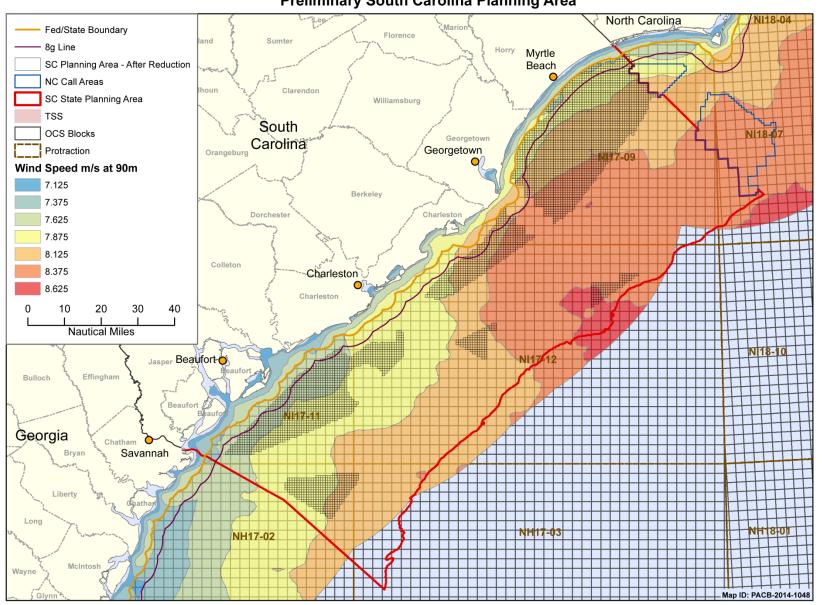
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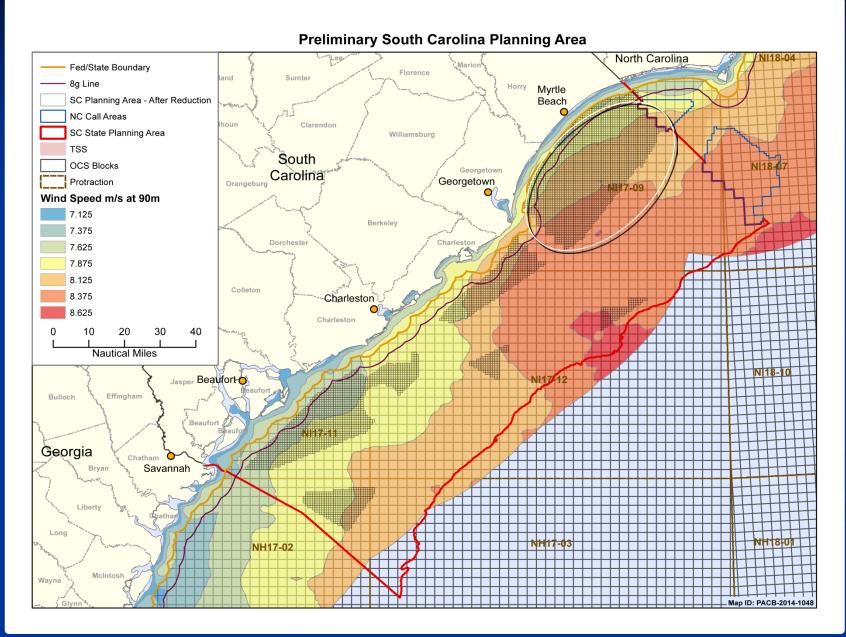
Stage 1: Planning and Analysis

- Establish Task Force, engage stakeholders
- Develop and Publish Call for Information and Nominations and Notice of Intent
- Announce Area Identification
- Conduct environmental compliance reviews

SC Planning Area



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Next Steps

- Continue stakeholder outreach and data gathering
- Call Area Identification
- Review Call area with Task Force
- Develop and Review a Draft Call with areas identified
- Publish a Call to determine interest Conduct environmental compliance reviews

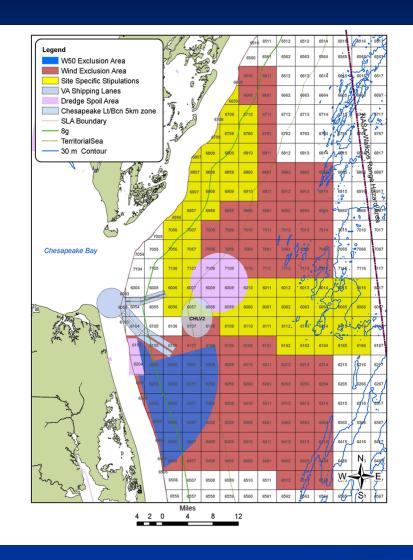
What is a Call?

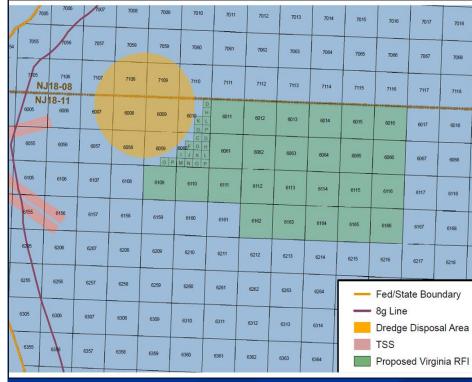
- Notice published in the Federal Register
- Requests information for BOEM to consider in the planning, analysis, and decision-making process
- Not a decision to lease

Area Identification Success: VA WEA

- Task Force lead effort to represent constituents and compliment State efforts
- Call areas are not Lease areas there's still a lot of opportunity to refine
- Early engagement with stakeholders
- Open Communication
- Doing it right the first time takes time
- Be prepared to adapt and make changes

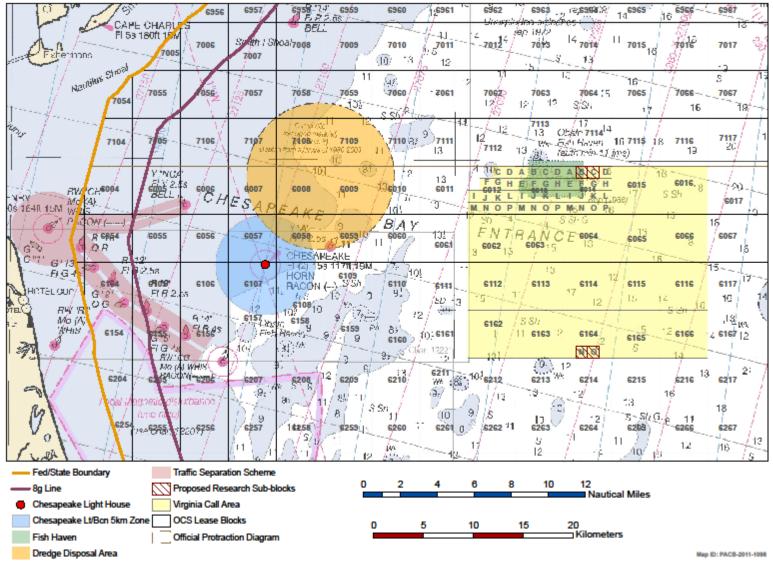
VA Before Area ID





VA After Area ID

BOEM Virginia Call for Information and Nominations Area



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Stage 2: Leasing

- Competitive or noncompetitive process
- Depends on number and location of qualified nominations received in response to the Call

Stage 2: Leasing

- Continue to engage stakeholders and consult through the task force
- Publish leasing notices
 - Determination of No Competitive Interest (Noncompetitive)
 - Proposed and Final Sale Notices (Competitive)
- Issue Lease(s)
 - Negotiate lease (Noncompetitive)
 - Hold lease sale (Competitive)

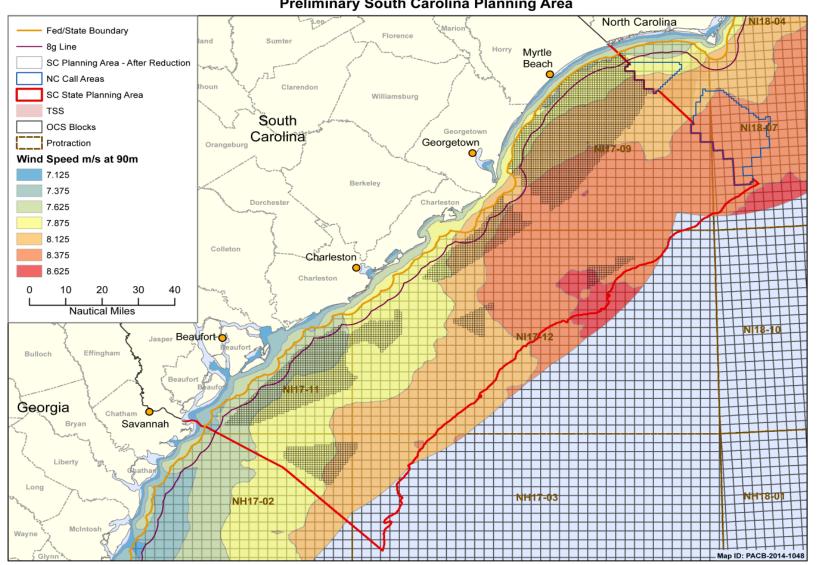
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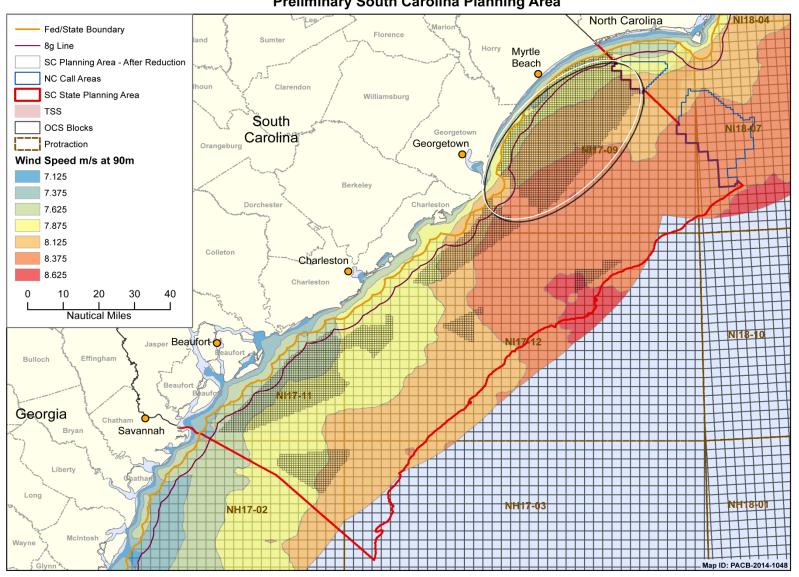
- Leases convey right to submit plans required to proceed to the next stages—site assessment and commercial development
- Lessee must receive BOEM's approval of each plan before conducting site assessment or construction and operations

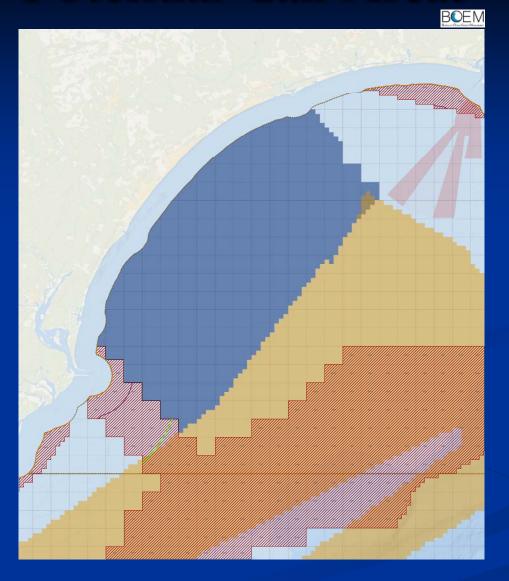
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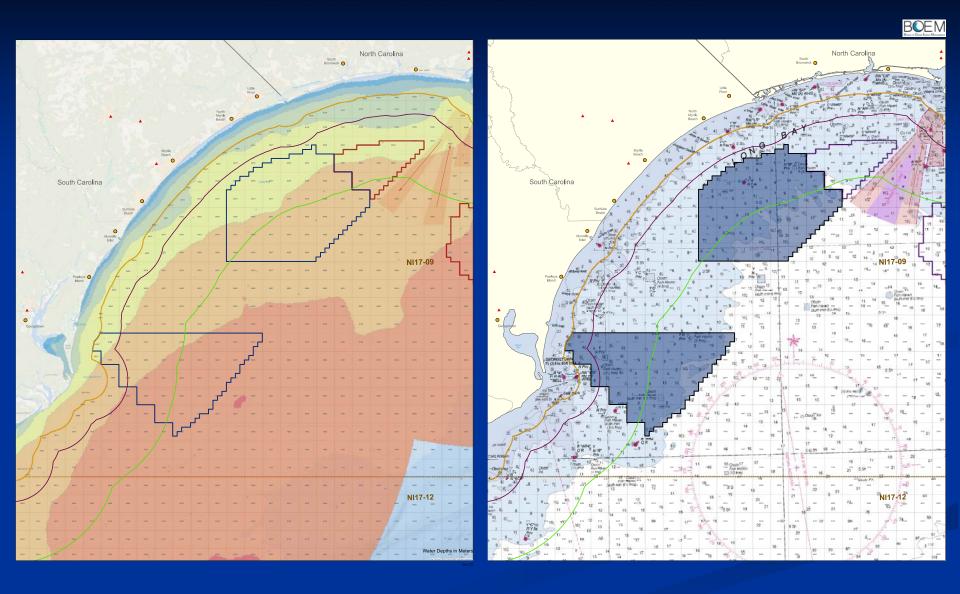
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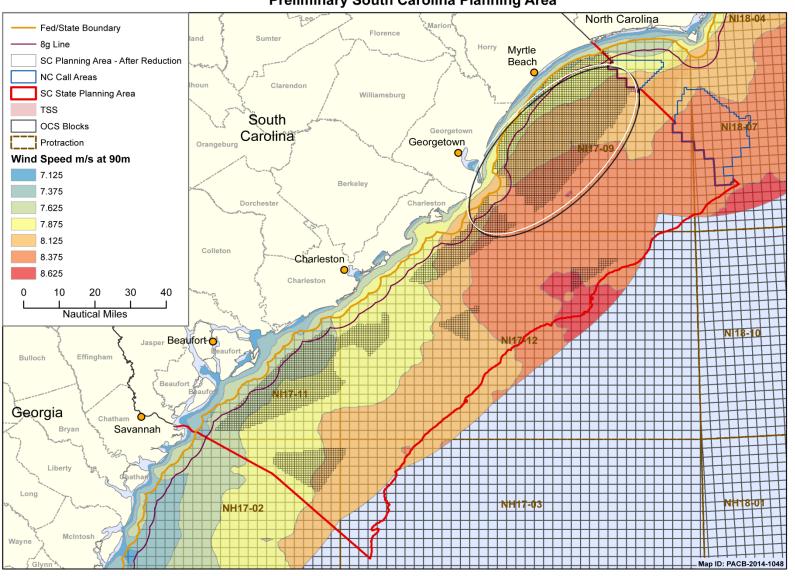
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