

# **BOEM UPDATES**

Hawaii Ocean Planning Workshop Pacific Regional Ocean Uses Atlas Environmental Studies Program DOI-DoD MOU

Hawaii OCS Renewable Energy Task Force Meeting 2 December 5, 2012 Honolulu, HI





# Hawaii Ocean Planning Workshop



**National Ocean Policy – Executive Order 13547** 



Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning Priority Objective







**Pacific Islands Regional Planning Body (PIRPB)** 



Workshop - Science Foundations for Ocean Planning in Hawaii: Human Use and Habitat Characterization October 2-3, 2012, Honolulu HI





# Hawaii Ocean Planning Workshop

~100 attendees – scientists, agency managers and staff, academics, NGOs, ocean planning practitioners

Day 1: human uses

Day 2: biophysical data and technology platforms

#### Objectives achieved:

- Learned about past, existing, and planned projects and data availability
- Gained understanding of state and federal agency perspectives
- Identified key partners and groups for science and planning
- Began collaborating on ocean planning process implementation
- Began to identify next steps for Hawaii to consider
- Networked across agencies and organizations, strengthened relationships

Workshop summary will be distributed by NOAA in the near future

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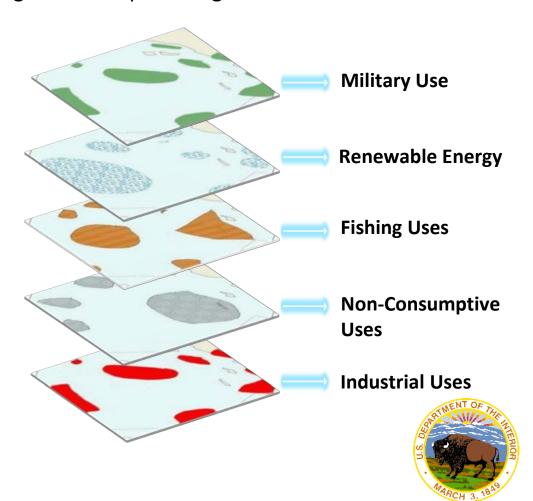




**PURPOSE**: To enhance ocean planning for offshore renewable energy development and inform other ocean planning strategies that require insight to ocean use activities

**GOALS**: To collect spatial data on the full range of human uses of the ocean through consultation with use experts, community stakeholders, and cultural use practitioners; to create data and analysis tools to assist in understanding use patterns, hotspots, conflicts and compatibilities

**GEOGRAPHY**: The OCS off the states of Washington and Oregon, and the OCS and state waters in Hawaii.





#### PARTICIPATORY GIS WORKSHOPS

- Workshop # and location TBD
- ❖ ~ 35-50 participants per day
- Unique blend of participants
- Each day targets specific sector
- ❖ 3-4 breakout groups per day
- ❖ All groups map all uses
  - Lifeguards
  - Park Managers
  - Harbor Masters
  - Local Fishermen
  - Fish & Game Wardens
  - Federal Agency Officials
  - Charter Operators

- Law Enforcement Agents
- Marine Business Operators
- Local NGO Representatives
- Tribal Council Representatives
- Scientists & Researchers
- Military Representatives
- Naturalists and Docents



#### Hawaii Coastal Use Mapping Project (2010-11):

- Hawaii & Maui
- Hawaii DAR, TNC, NOAA-CRCP, PSC, PIRO, PIFSC
- Conservation Action Planning & Priority Site Assessment





#### TARGET LIST OF USES

#### Non-Consumptive Industrial/Military Sector Fishing Sector Commercial Dive Fishing Indigenous Cultural Use Commercial Shipping (including Towing • Commercial Fishing with Benthic & Barging) Motorized Boating Mobile & Fixed Gear Designated Dumping and Outfall Sites Paddling • Commercial Pelagic Fishing Mariculture Sailing Military Operations & Ordnance Commercial Seaweed Harvest SCUBA/Snorkeling Commercial Shore-Based Harvest Shore Use Disposal Indigenous Subsistence Fishing Surface Board Sports Mining and Mineral Extraction Renewable Energy Kayak Fishing Swimming • Underwater Pipelines Recreational Dive Fishing Tide Pooling • Tourism Cruise Ships Underwater Telecommunication & Recreational Fishing from Boats **Power Cables** Recreational Shore-Based Harvest Wildlife Viewing at Sea













### **TIMELINE**

	2012 2013				2014			
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
WA			Early Spring Workshops					
OR			Late Spring Workshops					
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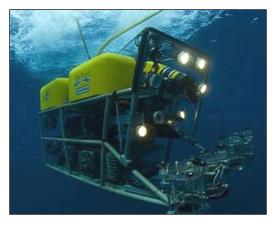
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## **Pacific Region Environmental Studies**





1973 – 2013

306 studies completed at nearly \$ 141.5 M

26 on-going studies FY 2012 ~\$ 13.2 M
 18 related to renewable energy ~\$ 10.3 M

6 additional studies for FY 2013 ~\$ 3.4 M
 5 renewable energy studies ~\$ 2.9 M
 3 informative to Hawaii ~\$ 2.3 M

http://www.boem.gov/Environmental-Stewardship/Environmental-Studies/ Pacific-Region/Studies/Current-Environmental-Studies.aspx





# **Pacific Region Environmental Studies**

### Pacific Region 2013 Studies Informative to Hawaii 💉





Inventory and Analysis of Coastal and Submerged Archaeological Site Occurrence near the Main Hawaiian Islands



Habitat Affinities and At-Sea Ranging Behaviors among Main Hawaiian Island Seabirds



A Marine Biogeographic Assessment of the Main Hawaiian Islands



## Pacific Region 2013 Studies Informative to Hawaii



Inventory and Analysis of Coastal and Submerged Archaeological Site Occurrence near the Main Hawaiian Islands

### **Objectives**:

- Accumulate information on submerged and terrestrial cultural and archaeological sites and site types
- Develop a geo-referenced database of known, reported and potential historic shipwrecks on the Pacific OCS off the main Hawaiian Islands
- Identify and develop a database of coastal historic properties that could be adversely impacted by the alteration of the view of the ocean



## Pacific Region 2013 Studies Informative to Hawaii



# Habitat Affinities and At-Sea Ranging Behaviors among Main Hawaiian Island Seabirds

### **Objectives**:

- Increase BOEM's understanding of at-sea habitat utilization and ranging behaviors for seabirds breeding within the MHI
- Conduct field studies of at-sea habitat utilization and ranging behaviors for seabirds breeding within the MHI
- Compile and analyze remotely sensed and modeled habitat data to examine habitat relationships to predict species' distributions and improve spatial vulnerability maps



## Pacific Region 2013 Studies Informative to Hawaii



# A Marine Biogeographic Assessment of the Main Hawaiian Islands

### **Objectives**:

- Determine the spatial and temporal distribution of trophic groups, families and species offshore the MHI
- Identify the location of ecologically unique and productive habitats offshore the MHI
- Determine how ecologically important areas are being utilized by living marine resources
- Identify where offshore renewable energy projects might be located to maximize energy production and minimize potential impacts to the marine environment



# DOI/DoD MOU on Renewable Energy and Renewable Energy Partnership Plan

#### I. Purpose

The United States Department of Defense (DoD) and the United States Department of the Interior (DOI) enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in order to help DoD develop renewable energy in the interests of greater installation energy security and reduced installation energy costs and to help meet DOI goals of increasing renewable energy generation from public lands and the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).





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#### II. Background

Energy security is critical to our national security. Renewable energy, when combined with advanced micro-grid and storage technologies, can significantly enhance the energy security and reduce the energy costs of DOI installations. In concert with the missions of both the DOI and reduce the energy costs of DOI installations. In concert with the missions of both the DOI and the DOI, DoI and DOI have developed a partnership to work cooperatively for safer, cleaner, and more secure energy supplies. As part of that partnership, DOI and DoD will work cooperatively to facilitate appropriate, mission-compatible renewable energy development on public lands withdrawn for defense-related purposes ("Withdrawn Lands") and other onshore and offshore areas near or adjacent to DoD military installations.

III. Partnership Plans

A. Offshore Wind Partnership Plan

Offshore wind is an abundant renewable energy resource available to most DoD coastal installations on the Atlantic coast, on the Pacific coast, in the Gulf of Mexico, and in Hawaii. Properly sited wind generation on the OCS has the potential to produce 4000 GWs of power that is relatively close to key load centers on the mainland. If improperly sited, offshore wind

#### Offshore Wind Partnership Plan

- DoD could provide a landing site for generation transmitted from an OCS REn facility
- Potential military offtake contracts
- Work together to identify areas most appropriate for offshore wind development
- Investigate existing contract and management authorities to achieve mutual goals and identify required changes in existing authorities as necessary



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