



**BOEM** Bureau of  
Ocean Energy Management

# Offshore Carbon Sequestration (CS)

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# Department of the Interior Offshore CS Authority

- Section 40307 of BIL amends the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant a lease, easement, or right-of-way on the Outer Continental Shelf for activities that “provide for, support, or are directly related to the injection of a carbon dioxide stream into sub-seabed geologic formations for the purpose of long-term carbon sequestration.”
- Additionally, the law directs, “Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act [November 14, 2022], the Secretary of the Interior shall promulgate regulations to carry out the amendments made by this section.”



# Bureau Mission Statements

- Joint Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) – Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) rulemaking is underway.

## Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)

The mission of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management is to manage development of the U.S. Outer Continental Shelf energy and mineral resources in an environmentally and economically responsible way.



## Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE)

The mission of the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement is to promote safety, protect the environment, and conserve resources offshore through vigorous regulatory oversight and enforcement.



# Rulemaking Summary

- Rulemaking team was established relying on existing expertise throughout the bureaus
- Extensive outreach underway
  - Industry (trade organizations and individual companies upon request)
  - Tribes
  - NGOs
  - Labor organizations
  - Environmental Justice groups
  - Foreign governments and relevant international organizations
  - Academics
  - State governments and consortiums
  - U.S. Federal agencies
- Topics under consideration for the rulemaking include:
  - Financial and economic considerations
  - Environmental considerations
  - Pre-lease exploration/site characterization
  - Leasing
  - Plans
  - Operations, facilities, and pipelines
  - Well qualification and offset infrastructure
  - Emergency response and mitigation
  - Monitoring and reporting
  - Decommissioning
  - Liability



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