11th National OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program: 1st Proposal (Draft Proposed Program) Overview

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is responsible for administering the leasing program for Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) oil and gas resources and advising the Secretary of the Interior on the National OCS Program. The National OCS Program is developed through an iterative process with three analytical phases.

What's in the 1st Proposal?

After careful consideration of the OCS Lands Act Section 18(a) (2) factors, as well as input from governors, industry, and the public, the Secretary's 1st Proposal includes a schedule of **34 lease sales** in three of the four OCS regions.

Areas included in the 1st Proposal are for future analysis and comment. They may be narrowed or removed in later stages.

Region	Starting in Year	Number of Sales
Alaska	2026	21
Gulf of America	2027	7
Pacfic	2027	6
	TOTAL	34

Note: The lease sales included as part of this 1st Proposal are in addition to those required by the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA).

What does the 1st Analysis and Proposal do?

- Provides BOEM's first-round analysis of many factors.
- Presents and explains the Secretary's initial proposal outlining where oil and gas leasing could occur over a 5-year period.





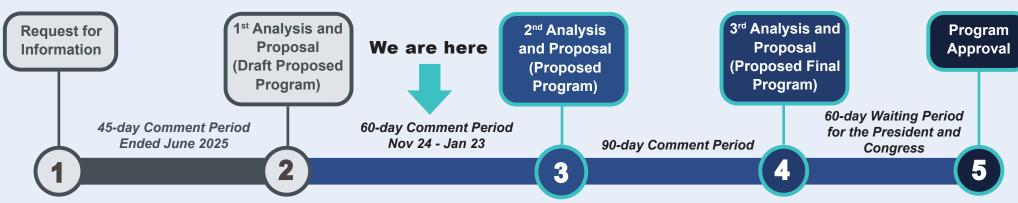


Next Steps

This 1st Proposal is the Secretary of the Department of the Interior's initial proposal that outlines potential OCS oil and gas lease sales and continues the program's multi-stage development and review process. The program development process includes five main steps, which concludes with a decision memo that outlines the potential lease sales that may be offered over the next five years.

The 1st Proposal is **not** a **final decision** and does not authorize leasing or drilling.

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Requested information and comments regarding all 27 planning areas

- Presents analysis of all 27 OCS planning areas
- Presents the Secretary's 1st Proposal, which could narrow areas that remain under leasing consideration
- Presents analysis of the 1st
 Proposal
- Presents the Secretary's 2nd
 Proposal, which could narrow areas that remain under leasing consideration
- Presents analysis of the 2nd
 Proposal
- Presents the Secretary's 3rd and Final Proposal

New National OCS Program is approved by the Secretary, and a decision memo is posted

The size, timing, and location of potential lease sales can be narrowed and refined as the process moves forward. The planning process for each proposed lease sale can begin concurrently with the National OCS Program development process. The first sale in a new Program can be held as early as 30 days after Program approval if lease sale processes are also complete.



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