# **BOEM Offshore Wind Energy Authorization Process and How to Comment**

# **Renewable Energy Process: Leasing to Operations**

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[Leasing] [Site Assessment]

[Construction & Operations]





# How to Comment

BOEM is initiating scoping for the Vineyard Northeast environmental impact statement (EIS) and is asking stakeholders to submit comments on the scope of the EIS analysis, including potential alternatives and mitigation measures. Providing your local expertise and perspective will help produce a more complete environmental analysis of the proposed project, resulting in a more informed decision by BOEM.

## What is BOEM looking for comments on?

- Potential effects that the proposed action could have on biological resources, physical resources, socioeconomic, and cultural resources
- Other reasonable alternatives to the proposed action that BOEM should consider, including additional or alternative avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures.
- Identification of historic properties; potential

## When are comments due?

Comments must be received or postmarked no later than

May 9, 2024

## How can I submit my comments?



#### **During the virtual scoping meetings**

April 15 and 22 through testimony followed by the

effects to historic properties; and measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse effects on historic properties.

#### What will BOEM do with the comments it receives?

When the public scoping period is finished, BOEM will review all comments received and compile a scoping report. The scoping report will summarize the range of viewpoints and concerns raised by the comments during the scoping period. The scoping report will help inform the development of potential alternatives and the analyses to be conducted in the EIS.



Q&A session

#### **During the in-person scoping meetings**

April 17 and 18 through court reporter or via comment card or laptop connected to www.regulations.gov

#### In writing to

Vineyard Northeast Draft EIS Program Manager, Office of Renewable Energy **Bureau of Ocean Energy Management** 45600 Woodland Road Sterling, Virginia 20166



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