

Action Items & Next Steps

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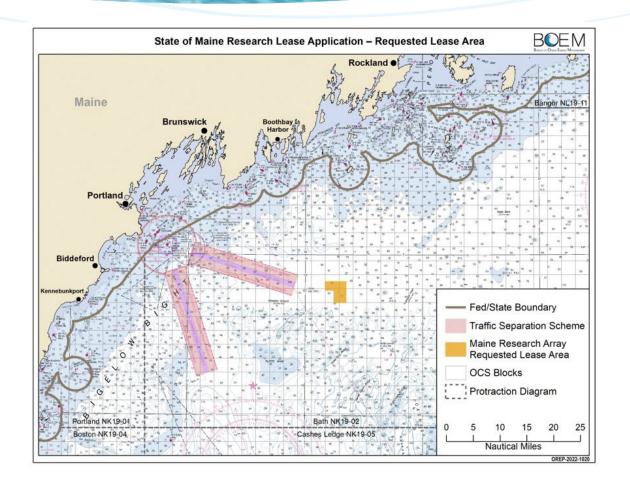


State of Maine Research Lease Application

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Next Step: Request for Competitive Interest (RFCI)

- Publication expected early summer (2022)
- 30-day comment period





Gulf of Maine Commercial Leasing Milestones

Milestone*	Action	Target Date**
Task Force Meeting	Hold virtual meeting	May 19, 2022
Publish Request for Interest	Publish RFI 45-Day Comment Period	Q3 2022
Publish Call for Information & Nominations	Publish Call 45-Day Comment Period	Q1 2023
Area Identification	Designate Wind Energy Areas (WEAs)	Q3 2023
Lease Sale	Proposed Sale Notice (PSN)	Q4 2023
	Final Sale Notice (FSN)	Q2 2024
	Hold auction	Q3 2024

^{*} Task Forces are incredibly valuable tools in the leasing process and several meetings can be expected, likely to be scheduled around significant process milestones.

Link: <u>Tips to Provide Helpful Comments Fact Sheet</u>



^{**} Dates of planning/leasing milestones are all tentative.

Planned Engagement

Gulf of Maine Engagement Approach

Moving from the Request for Interest to Wind Energy Area Designation

