Empire Wind Project (EW1 and EW2)

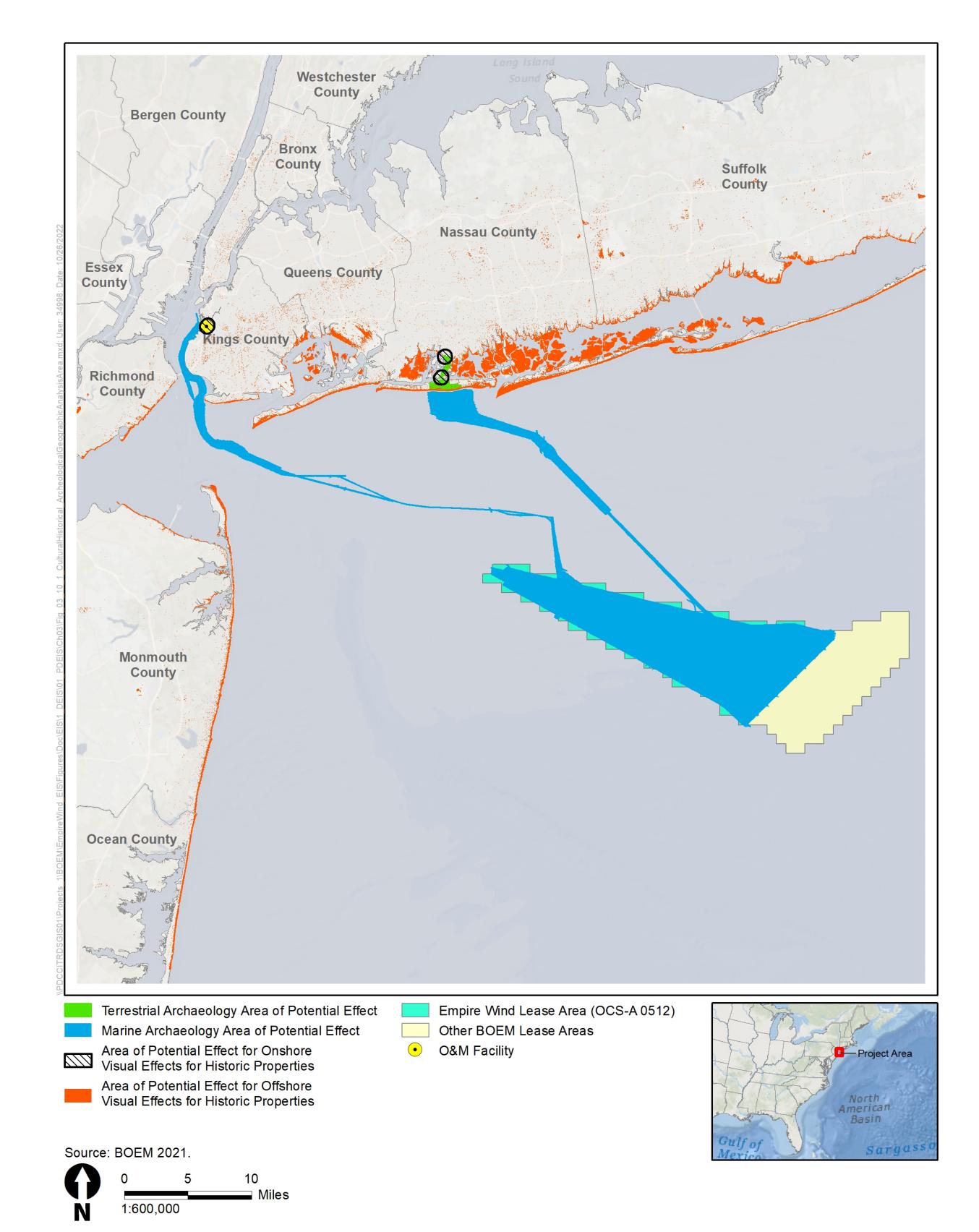
Cultural Resources

What is the Status of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 consultation for the Empire Wind Project?

- 1. BOEM has delineated the Area of Potential Effect (APE) for terrestrial archaeology, marine archaeology and for visual effects to historic properties.
- 2. BOEM has made a Finding of Adverse Effect that identifies adverse effects to:
 - 16 architectural resources
 - 30 marine archaeological resources
 - 22 ancient, submerged landforms.
- 3. BOEM distributed cultural resource technical reports to consulting parties and is facilitating consulting party meetings for Section 106 consultation.
- 4. The Draft EIS includes a draft Finding of Effect, BOEM's proposed mitigation measures, and a Draft Memorandum of Agreement.

What are the Next Steps for NHPA Section 106 Consultation?

- 1. Receive input on the draft Finding of Effect and Memorandum of Agreement.
- 2. Facilitate additional consulting party meetings to resolve adverse effects.
- 3. BOEM and consulting parties finalize and execute the Memorandum of Agreement.
- 4. BOEM documents binding mitigation in the Record of Decision for the Empire Wind Environmental Impact Statement.





Area of Potential Effect for Marine and Terrestrial Archaeology and Visual Effects