GULF OF MEXICO CALL AREA

Gulf of Mexico Renewable Energy Project Overview

BOEM anticipates the potential to issue up to 18 commercial and research leases within the Gulf of Mexico Call Area and the granting of rights-of-way and rights-of-use and easement in the region. BOEM may issue leases as early as 2023.

Site Assessment and Site Characterization Activities

Meteorological and Oceanographic Buoys — temporarily install sensors to collect atmospheric and oceanographic observations

Geophysical Surveys — use remote sensing to collect information about the physical environment, such as archaeological resources, geohazards, habitat, cable routes, sediment characteristics, and unexploded ordinance

Geotechnical Surveys — gather information about the physical characteristics of the soil and rocks to determine whether the seabed can support foundation structures *Biological Surveys* — understand potential impacts to biological resources (e.g., benthic habitat and birds) if wind energy development was to occur

