# North Carolina Offshore Wind

Activities and State Reactions to the Draft Proposed Sale Notice

BOEM Carolina Long Bay Intergovernmental Task Force

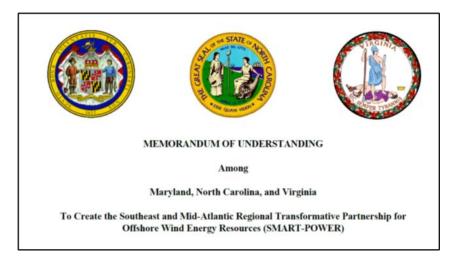
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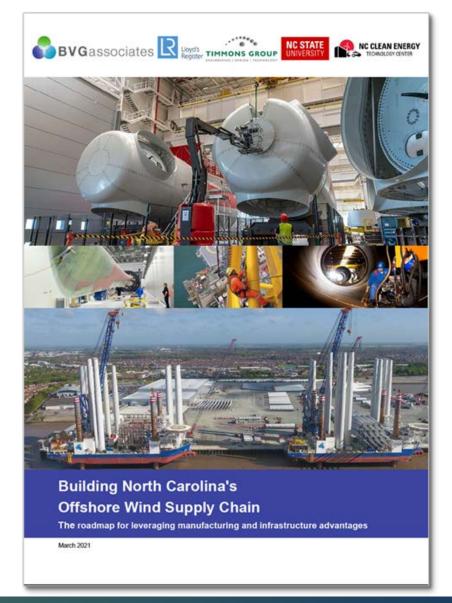


## NC Offshore Wind & Economic Benefits

## **Economic opportunity**

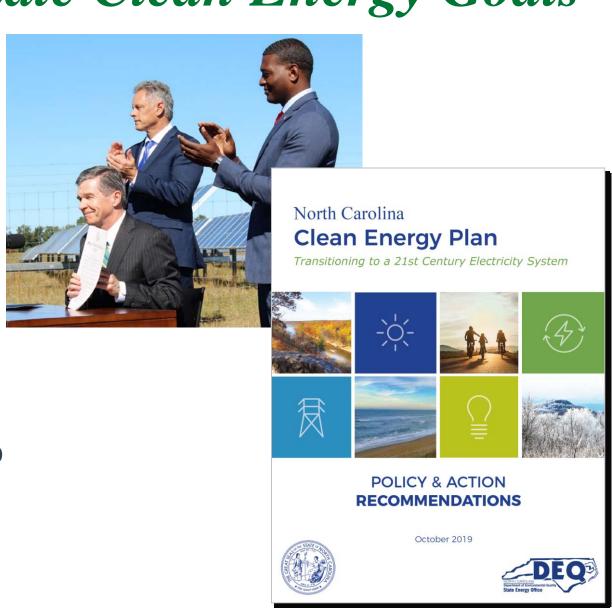
- Supply chain, workforce, and infrastructure study
- 2020: <u>SMART-POWER</u>
  Memorandum of Understanding





## NC Offshore Wind & State Clean Energy Goals

- 2018: Executive Order 80
- 2019: Clean Energy Plan
  - H-1: Identify and advance legislative/regulatory actions to develop NC's OSW resources
  - H-2: Create and foster statewide regional OSW partnerships
  - H-3: Assess OSW supply chain and transportation infrastructure to identify State assets and gaps



## North Carolina OSW Timeline & Goals

### **Fall 2020**

 Presidential Memo: Outer Continental Shelf leasing moratorium, effective July 1, 2022

### **March 2021**

Governor Cooper letter to BOEM

### **April 2021**

NC Congressional delegation letter

### **June 2021**

Governor Cooper's Executive Order 218



## State of North Carolina

#### **ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR** 

June 9, 2021

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 218** 

#### ADVANCING NORTH CAROLINA'S ECONOMIC AND CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE WITH OFFSHORE WIND

WHEREAS, clean energy resources create North Carolina jobs, grow our economy, and help reduce climate change pollution; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina is a national leader in clean energy through its robust clean energy workforce, third-in-the-nation ranking in installed solar capacity, and position having the highest technical potential for offshore wind power on the east coast of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Exec. Order No. 80, 33 N.C. Reg. 1103-1106 (December 3, 2018), which was issued on October 29, 2018, ("North Carolina's Commitment to Address Climate Change and Transition to a Clean Energy Economy") calls for North Carolina to transition to a clean energy economy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and the North Carolina Clean Energy Plan identifies offshore wind as a strategic resource in the state's clean energy future; and

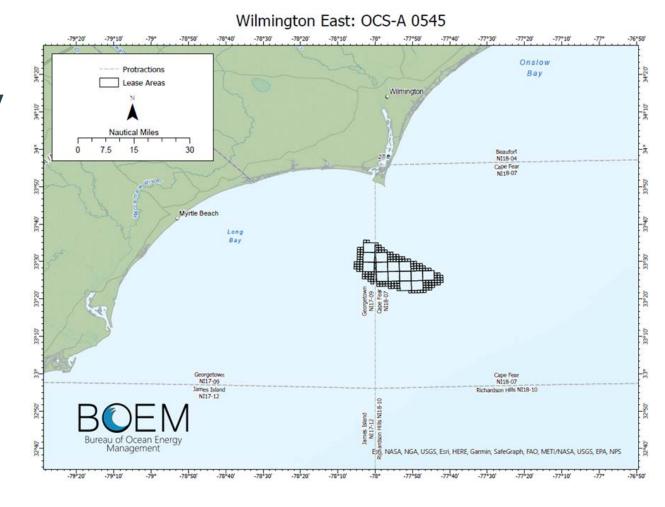
WHEREAS, offshore wind development along the U.S. Atlantic Coast and its accompanying supply chain present a significant economic opportunity for North Carolina, with an estimated 85,000 new jobs and \$140 billion in capital expenditure along the Atlantic Coast by 2035; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina has a highly favorable business environment for offshore wind manufacturers and supply chain companies through its large skilled labor force, strong community college system, innovative technology clusters, major research and development facilities and universities, top-ranked business climate, and targeted industry support; and

## North Carolina: Initial Reactions to Draft PSN

## **High-Level**

- OSW development is a priority for Biden and Cooper Administrations
- Process must be coordinated, informed, and transparent
- Ongoing solicitation of and information sharing among all stakeholders to inform Final Sale Notice

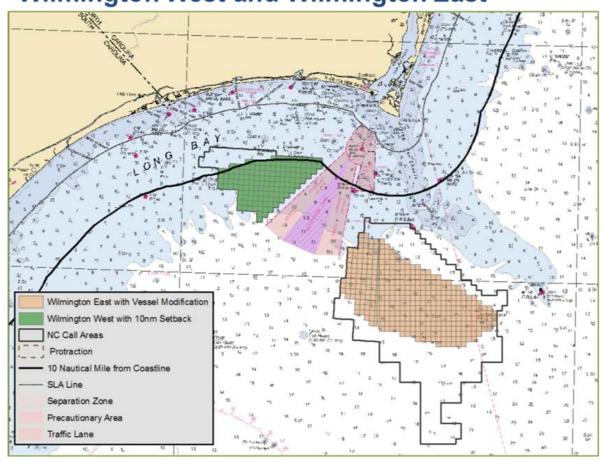


## NC: Initial Reactions to Draft PSN (cont'd)

## **Topics**

- Size and orientation of Wilmington East
- Disposition of Wilmington West
- Benefits to Underserved Communities
- Creating a domestic supply chain
- Ongoing stakeholder and coordinated engagement

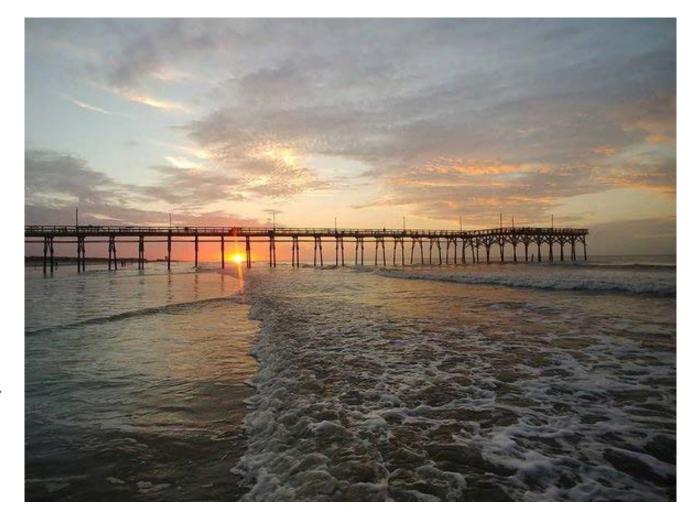
#### Wilmington West and Wilmington East



## Thank you

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