New York Bight Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement

The Renewable Energy Process: Planning through Decommissioning

The New York Bight Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) is being developed over a two-year period, beginning in 2022. During these two years, BOEM is requesting comments on what should be considered as part of the PEIS, consulting with Tribal Nations and other government agencies, conducting extensive stakeholder and environmental justice community engagement, performing technical analyses, and finalizing the PEIS. BOEM is developing the Draft and Final PEIS alongside pre-survey meetings and planning, while lease holders conduct studies and surveys on the leases to inform the development of Site Assessment Plans (SAP) and Construction and Operations Plans (COP). Stakeholder engagement and outreach is being conducted beyond the PEIS process throughout the entirety of the leasing process. Development of the PEIS will not delay COP submissions and is expected to aid in focusing and narrowing the scope of analysis for the COP environmental reviews.

The graphic below depicts BOEM's offshore wind leasing process, including the anticipated number of years for each phase in the process.



