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Acronyms and Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Definition	
BOEM	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management	
BSEE	Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement	
СА	California	
Cal Poly	California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt	
Company	California North Floating	
EMF	Electromagnetic Field	
ESA	Endangered Species Act	
FCP	Fisheries Communication Plan	
Lessee	California North Floating	
MMIP	Missing Murdered Indigenous People	
NATCP	Native American Tribes Communication Plan	
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service	
PFMC	Pacific Fishery Marine Council	
Project	Lease Area OCS-P 0562	
RWE	RWE Offshore Wind Holdings, LLC	
ТЕК	Traditional Ecological Knowledge	
US	United States	
USFWS	US Fish and Wildlife Service	
VO	Vineyard Offshore	



1 Purpose and Background

This Progress Report has been prepared in accordance with Section 3.1 of Addendum C of the lease between Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) and California North Floating LLC (the "Company" or "Lessee"). The lease requires that the Lessee submit a progress report to BOEM every six months, through Construction and Operations Plan approval, with the first report submitted within six months of the lease effective date.

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this Progress Report is as follows:

- Document overall Project progress and engagement activities undertaken with Tribal Nations; federal, state, and local agencies; fisheries; local communities; ocean user groups; and other identified stakeholders during the reporting period.
- Describe plans for continued engagement over the next reporting period.

This is the fourth Progress Report submitted to BOEM and covers the period of December 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025. The Progress Report is intended to support Project transparency and accountability and to document how, if at all, the Project has been designed or will be implemented to address potential adverse and beneficial effects.

1.2 Lessee Information

California North Floating LLC is the leaseholder of Lease Area OCS-P 0562 (the "Project"). California North Floating is an affiliate of Vineyard Offshore. Vineyard Offshore is the United States (US)-based offshore wind development company owned by Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners P/S, a global fund management company that specializes in renewable energy development.

1.3 Lease Description

Lease Area OCS-P 0562 is a 69,031-acre site located approximately 32 to 56 kilometers northwest of Humboldt Bay in water depths of 550 to 1,245 meters on the Outer Continental Shelf (Figure 1). Lease Area OCS-P 0562 is adjacent to and west of Lease Area OCS-P 0561, obtained by RWE Offshore Wind Holdings, LLC ("RWE"). Additional information about Lease Area OCS-P 0562 may be found on the <u>company website</u>.



Figure 1: Location of Lease Area OCS-P 0562

2 Tribal Nations Engagement and Collaboration

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California North Floating has a designated West Coast Tribal Lead, who is focused on building and maintaining collaborative relationships with Tribal governments and members of Tribal Nations. She is the primary point of contact to provide project information to the Tribes and to receive feedback. Since the last Progress Report was submitted, she and other members of the Vineyard Offshore team have attended or participated in community events and one-on-one meetings with Tribal Nations. Vineyard Offshore also continues to invite all Tribes identified in the NATCP, and other stakeholders, to monthly office hours.

Vineyard Offshore worked with other California developers and Tribal Nations to prepare the Native American Tribes Communication Plan (NATCP) in accordance with BOEM guidance. The NATCP, finalized in Q4-2024, is posted on Vineyard Offshore's website (see **Appendix B**). Vineyard Offshore continues to advance the recommendations in the NATCP.

Tribes and Tribal Nations that may be affected by activities associated with the development



of Lease Area OCS-P 0562 are listed in **Appendix A**. This section provides an overview of Vineyard Mid-Atlantic's engagement activities with Tribes and Tribal Nations¹ during the reporting period.

2.1 Overall Tribal Engagement Activities Since Last Report

As part of our efforts to support local Tribal Nations, Vineyard Offshore sponsored and partnered with the Oceantic Network to provide a free one-day Offshore Wind Ready training seminar and networking event at the Bear River Rancheria Community Center for Tribal Governments and local communities. Led by Oceantic Network's team of skilled trainers and a panel of industry experts, Offshore Wind Ready is designed for any business or individual interested in learning more about opportunities available in the U.S offshore wind industry. The training provides insights into offshore wind project development and how businesses can identify where they fit into the supply chain. The training event was attended by approximately 50 participants.

Vineyard Offshore was honored to attend the Affiliated Tribes of the Northwest (ATNI) Annual Winter Conference held in Portland, Oregon. Vineyard Offshore was able to build relationships with various Tribal Nations at the event and learn more about legislative issues important to west coast Tribes. Our Tribal Team attended the Offshore Wind Task Force meeting held at the event and listened to Tribal Nations discuss their concerns related to offshore wind and Tribal involvement in the permitting process. The Tribal Lead was also invited to attend the Tribal Liaison committee meeting hosted by the Washington Governor's Office of Tribal Affairs. The committee and various Tribal Liaisons have met for a third year to discuss current efforts to improve tribal communication and engagement with outside agencies. This session also provides an opportunity for Tribal Liaisons to network with each other and learn about each other's organizations and/or businesses.

Vineyard Offshore's West Coast Tribal Lead has also been selected to participate in the 2025 Leadership Redwood Coast (LRC) Program. LRC empowers diverse individuals throughout Humboldt and Del Norte Counties and adjacent Tribal lands with the tools, connections, and insight they need to effect equitable and innovative changes in their communities and across

¹ Due to the sensitive and often confidential nature of conversations between sovereign, federally recognized Tribal governments and lessees, Section 2 of this report includes summary information about engagement activities but does not include detailed or specific information regarding engagement objectives or strategies; information, concerns, and/or recommendations made by Tribal governments; and/or agreements reached between lessees and Tribal governments, unless agreed to be disclosed. Any public release of information shared during or generated as a result of engagement with Tribes/Tribal Nations should be discussed with and approved by relevant Tribal governments prior to public disclosure.



the region. This annual fellowship will guide a cohort of 25-30 (27 this year) diverse individuals through leadership development training and in-person excursions. These activities showcase the region's assets, challenges, and opportunities, providing fellows with firsthand engagement with leaders driving change. Over five months and six dynamic sessions, participants will travel throughout Humboldt and Del Norte Counties and adjacent Tribal lands. Participants will include diverse representatives from across the region representing business, government, tribal communities, nonprofit and other sectors.

Our team spent part of the winter and spring attending Tribal events and encouraging Tribes to attend other local events. Vineyard Offshore's attendance at and sponsorship of such events allowed us to continue building relationships with tribal members.

Tribal Nation engagement activities that have occurred since the last progress report are summarized in Table 2-1. Note that feedback regarding transmission planning and export cable routes will be requested as plans develop and potential locations are identified.



Topic of Discussions	Tribal Nations and Stakeholders	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Project Updates and Relationship Building	Tribal Nations identified in the NATCP	Vineyard Offshore continued outreach and meetings with Tribal Nations. This included project updates and discussions on how Tribes can be involved and provide consultation throughout the Project planning process. Additional topics included Tribal capacity funding, cultural history, and Tribal fishing knowledge of salmon habitat, history, and struggles.
		Vineyard Offshore also attended and/or sponsored a number of events that included a Missing Murdered Indigenous Peoples (MMIP) Awareness Day & Walk; sponsorship of Tribal representatives in the labor sector to attend the Eureka Chamber Annual Gala Awards; and invitations to various Tribes, Tribal Leaders, and Tribal Affiliated organizations to join us for the Cal Poly University Men's and Women's basketball game.
Introductory Meetings	Tribal Nations identified in the NATCP Native Americans in Philanthropy ATNI Members	Vineyard Offshore continued to reach out to additional Tribes to introduce the team and the project and establish clear channels of communication for future partnership efforts. Vineyard Offshore expanded its outreach to Tribes and Tribal Nations by attending the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) Annual Winter Conference.

Table 2-1: Tribal Nations Engagement Activities During Reporting Period



Topic of Discussions	Tribal Nations and Stakeholders	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Tribal Capacity	Local Tribal Non-Profit	Vineyard Offshore met with leadership from a tribal affiliated non-profit to discuss the need for Tribal capacity funding to participate in the review of offshore wind projects.
Training & future supply chain opportunities	Tribal Nations identified in the NATCP Oceantic Network Local Municipalities Local Labor Associations Community Members	Vineyard Offshore partnered with the Oceantic Network to provide a one-day Offshore Wind Ready training seminar and networking event for Tribal Governments and local communities. The training event was attended by approximately 50 participants.
Tribal Fisheries	Tribal Nations identified in the NATCP	The West Coast Tribal Lead and Fisheries Liaison met with Tribal leaders to learn about current and historical fishing practices within Tribal territory and discuss opportunities to work together.

2.2 Potential Issues and Concerns

Table 2-2 summarizes issues and concerns raised by Tribal Nations during engagement activities. Feedback from Tribal Nations representatives focused on the need for increased Tribal capacity, Tribal engagement prior to survey work and during Project development, and the incorporation of Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK). Efforts to address these potential issues and concerns are summarized in Table 2-2. Because the Project is early in its development stage, information about how the Project has been informed or altered in consideration of these concerns will be addressed at a later time.

Table 2-2: Potential Issues and Concerns Identified through	Tribal Nation Engagement
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Concerns or Issues Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
Concerns that problems with Missing Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP) will be exacerbated with outside teams.	Vineyard Offshore recognizes and is sensitive to the Tribal Nations' concerns. Under our business code of ethics, we take numerous measures to ensure our teams conduct activities in accordance with human rights principles. One example is the use of car magnets to identify Vineyard Offshore staff when on Tribal lands.
Tribal Nations would like their members to be engaged with environmental monitoring and data collection.	Vineyard Offshore is evaluating Project monitoring needs. Vineyard Offshore has provided Protected Species Observer Training to the Tribal Nations on the East Coast and will consider replicating the program on the West Coast.
Concerns that there may be impacts to environmental and cultural resources.	Vineyard Offshore is evaluating what existing data are available and what additional studies may be needed to evaluate potential environmental and cultural impacts.
Limited capacity of the Tribal Nations to respond to requests for input from offshore wind developers and state and federal agencies.	Vineyard Offshore has ongoing discussions with Tribal Nations, other offshore wind lease holders, philanthropy groups, state and federal agencies, elected officials, and non- profit organizations to discuss potential options for increasing Tribal Nation capacity. We are currently in discussions with a local Tribal non-profit entity regarding capacity needs to support Tribal Nation participation in the review of the Project.
Concerns that there may be viewshed impacts.	As part of the federal and state permitting processes, Vineyard Offshore will prepare a scenic landscape visual impact analysis.
Concerns about potential impacts to Tribal fish and fisheries treaty rights.	Vineyard Offshore is currently evaluating existing fisheries data and will actively solicit input from the Tribal Nations.



Concerns or Issues Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
Concerns about Tribal Nations being left out of the offshore wind workforce development space.	Vineyard Offshore is in active discussion with local and state workforce development agencies and organizations. Vineyard Offshore has offered attendance to interested Tribal members in a virtual Wind 101 course and an in-person supply chain class coordinated by the Oceantic Network.
Concerns that Tribal Nations be included in the permitting and planning process.	Vineyard Offshore is committed to working with the Tribal Nations throughout the permitting and planning process.
Concerns that Tribal Nations are being left out of the Transmission planning process and associated project impacts to environmental & cultural resources.	Vineyard Offshore has and will continue to share concerns with the California Independent System Operator (CAISO), California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), and future transmission developer.



2.3 Anticipated or Scheduled Tribal Engagement Activities

Vineyard Offshore will look for opportunities to continue to engage with the Tribes and Tribal Nations in both formal and informal settings. Examples of expected opportunities in the next reporting period are summarized in Table 2-3.

Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement	Tribe(s)	Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees
Project-specific information	All participating Tribes and Tribal Nations	Vineyard Offshore will meet with Tribal Nations at their direction to further collaborate on specific Project information. Activities are ongoing in Q3 and Q4 2025.
Introductions and information sharing	All Tribes and Tribal Nations without prior introductions	Vineyard Offshore will continue to reach out to additional Tribal Nations unless explicitly told that Tribal Nations are not interested in participating. Vineyard Offshore plans to attend the Northern California Indian Development Council Workforce Summit in June. Activities are ongoing in Q3 and Q4 2025.

Table 2-3: Anticipated Tribal Engagement for the Next Reporting Period



Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement	Tribe(s)	Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees
Relationship building and cultural education	All participating Tribes and Tribal Nations	Vineyard Offshore plans to attend community events hosted by Tribal Nations to further build relationships that will foster collaboration and cultural understanding. Examples include the Yurok Salmon Festival in Klamath on August 16 th , the Hoopa Sovereigns Day Celebration in Hoopa on August 8 th , Wiyot Days in Eureka on August 23 rd , and Tolowa Dee- Ni' Days in Smith River on September 6 th . Vineyard Offshore's West Coast Tribal Lead will also continue to participate in the Leadership Redwood Coast.



3 Stakeholder Engagement

This section provides a summary of completed and anticipated engagement activities with non-Tribal parties that may be potentially affected by the development of the Project. The Vineyard Offshore stakeholder engagement approach is stakeholder-driven and centered on a collaborative process whereby projects and project benefits are developed in partnership with local communities, stakeholders, and regulators. Vineyard Offshore is in the early development stage, so stakeholder engagement has focused on general education and relationship building.

Parties that are potentially affected by the development of the Project are listed in Appendix A and may include the following:

- Coastal communities
- Commercial and recreational fishing industries
- Educational and research institutions
- Environmental and public interest non-governmental organizations
- Federal, state, and local agencies
- Tribal Nations
- Mariners and the maritime industry
- Ocean users
- Submarine cable operators

The list of parties in Appendix A will be updated as new information becomes available.

3.1 Summary of Engagement with Fisheries

Fisheries engagement has continued to focus on general relationship building and information sharing in the local maritime community. Vineyard Offshore's Fisheries Liaison holds regular port hours for outreach, engaging with local commercial and recreational fishermen.

Three commercial fishing associations are currently working directly with Vineyard Offshore, two of whom are serving as Fisheries Representatives. Each of them represents an association of a larger group of fishermen and regularly engages with other members of the fishing industry. In addition, Vineyard Offshore is informally in discussions with a broad section of the fishing community through port hours, office hours, scientific meetings, and community events. Vineyard Offshore also sponsored the Humboldt Fishermen Marketing Association's offload ladder that was needed for their new offloading facility.

To support the California Coastal Commission in response to Senate Bill 286, we are actively engaged in the 7C Fisheries Working Group and several subcommittees. Vineyard Offshore continues to provide draft documents, comments, and feedback. Vineyard Offshore's West



Coast Tribal Lead was recently added to the Working Group to assist in the development of a Tribal Fisheries Agreement.

To aid us in tracking fisheries concerns and the state of the science, Vineyard Offshore has attended fisheries meetings such as with the Pacific Fisheries Management Council, Ocean Protection Council, and RODA's Synthesis of the Science presentations. The Fisheries Liaison also regularly attends NOAA's West Watch monthly regional updates on climate conditions and impacts along the Pacific coast.

Fisheries engagement activities that have occurred since the last Progress Report are summarized in Table 3-1. Note that feedback regarding transmission planning and export cable routes will be requested as plans develop and potential locations are identified.



Topics of Discussion	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Project Introductions and Relationship Building	Commercial/ Recreational Fishermen Fisheries Associations	Vineyard Offshore continues to engage in local and regional outreach with the fishing industry to provide an introduction to the project and discuss industry priorities.
		Vineyard Offshore will continue communications with the fishing community as outlined in the FCP. Vineyard Offshore regularly hosts Port Hours to hear from fishermen and others in the industry. Vineyard Offshore Fishery Representatives have continued to conduct further outreach.
		This past reporting period, Vineyard Offshore's Fisheries Liaison participated in a local recreational fishing trip, connecting with fishermen and local community members in the crabbing industry. She also attended the local fisheries speaker series at Englund Marine to connect with community members.

Table 3-1: Summary of Engagement with Fisheries



Topics of Discussion	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Regional Collaboration	Fishing Industry NGOs Marine environment NGOs Tribal Nations State Agencies Federal agencies Fishing Industry Representatives Industry Trade Groups and Associations	Vineyard Offshore attends regular meetings with regional associations, working groups, subject matter experts, government agencies, and offshore wind leaseholders to discuss potential avenues for collaboration in research planning and the collection of regional fisheries data.
7C Working Group Meetings	Commercial/Recreational Fishermen Tribal Nations BOEM NOAA California Coastal Commission California Fishermen's Resiliency Association California Ocean Protection Council California State Lands Commission Fishing Industry Businesses Environmental NGOs Offshore Wind Developers	Vineyard Offshore is actively engaged in the 7C Fisheries Working Group and continues to provide draft documents, comments, and feedback as directed by Senate Bill 286 (McGuire). The subcommittees continue to work on efforts focused on potential impacts to fisheries, compensation, and potential regulatory frameworks.



Topics of Discussion	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Research Opportunities	Academic Research Institutions and Universities Ocean Protection Council Local fisheries organizations	Vineyard Offshore met with academic research institutions, as well as local organizations and other OSW developers, to discuss common initiatives such as feedback from the industry, research opportunities, and potential avenues for the collection of regional fisheries data. Vineyard Offshore spoke with Ocean Science Trust who is launching a new initiative in collaboration with the Ocean Protection Council to identify research and monitoring needs and priorities.
Training Opportunities	Workforce Development Training Institutions	Vineyard Offshore continues to meet with workforce development providers to support the growth of the OSW industry on the West Coast for scout boats, onboard fisheries liaisons, and others needed in future survey work.

3.2 Fisheries Potential Issues and Concerns

Fisheries concerns to date have primarily centered on the potential for loss of access to the lease area, activities in the ports that would negatively impact the aquaculture and fishing communities, and gear loss during Project-related activities. A list of concerns and issues raised to date are listed in Table 3-2.

Concerns or Issues Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
Concerns about gear loss due to Project activities.	Vineyard Offshore will first use an avoidance strategy to minimize the potential impact to fishing gear. For gear that is lost due to future company activities, the company-specific gear loss process and forms have been shared with the fishing community in the FCP so that fishermen can be reimbursed.
Concerns that any port upgrades or port use will accommodate the needs of the fishermen.	Vineyard Offshore will share concerns with the port and will consider the impacts on the fishing community during surveys, construction, and operation of the Project.
Concerns that surveys, construction, and operational sound will impact fish.	Fisheries impacts from construction and operational noise will be considered during the permitting process.
Concerns about upwelling impacts from turbine installation.	Vineyard Offshore is participating in discussions with subject matter experts to understand existing data and potential data needs as they relate to floating offshore wind.
Concerns that recreational fisheries need to be evaluated differently than commercial fisheries.	Vineyard Offshore will evaluate recreational and commercial fisheries separately during the permitting process.
Concerns around electromagnetic fields (EMFs) emitting from cables affecting Dungeness crabs and fish.	Vineyard Offshore is monitoring research on EMFs.

Table 3-2: Potential Issues and Concerns Identified through Fisheries Engagement



Concerns or Issues Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
Concerns around responsible decommissioning.	Vineyard Offshore will follow lease and permit conditions for decommissioning, including decommissioning financial assurances.
Concerns about oil inside the wind turbines and potential spill plans.	Vineyard Offshore will follow lease and permit conditions for potential oil spills including developing a Site-Specific Spill Prevention and Response Plan.
Concerns about discarded chains from monitoring buoys.	Vineyard Offshore will follow lease and permit conditions for meeting buoy decommissioning requirements.
Concerns that more lease areas will be made available prior to studying the actual impacts of the existing five California leases.	No actions needed. BOEM holds the authority to direct leasing decisions in California.

3.3 Anticipated or Scheduled Fisheries Engagement Activities

Vineyard Offshore will continue communications with the fishing industry as identified in the FCP. Port hours will be held approximately monthly in Q3 and Q4 2025 and will be rotating through the various dockside communities of Eureka, Trinidad, Fort Bragg, and Crescent City. Meetings with Fisheries Representatives and individual fisheries groups will be held monthly in Q3 and Q4 2025 to understand fisheries in the Project area and any data gaps. Vineyard Offshore will continue to attend fisheries meetings such as those held by the Pacific Fisheries Management Council (PFMC) and will continue involvement in the 7C working group throughout the next reporting period, with several subgroup meetings scheduled in the coming months and full working group meetings in September and November. The Vineyard Offshore fisheries team will also continue to engage with Tribal Nations to understand their fisheries concerns in Q3 and Q4 2025.



3.4 Summary of Engagement with Agencies

The Project is in the early stages of planning and stakeholder engagement activities. Agency meetings that have occurred since the last reporting period include monthly Project update meetings with BOEM, California Energy Commission, California State Lands, California Coastal Commission, and others. Stakeholder engagement activities involving Federal and State agencies that have occurred since the last reporting period are summarized in Table 3-3. Note that feedback regarding transmission planning and export cable routes will be requested as plans develop and potential locations are identified.

Party Type	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topic of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
State Agency	California Governor's Office	Project updates and process discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
State Agency	California State Lands	Project updates and discussion of resources for baseline data review.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
State Agency	California Coastal Commission	Project updates and discussion of resources for baseline data review. Participation in 7C working group.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress. Participation in 7C working group.
State Agency	California Energy Commission	Project updates. Regular Meeting of the Pacific Offshore Wind Consortium Advisory Committee	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress. Updates on port/state/community perspectives of port development and commitment to OSW.

Table 3-3: Summary of Agency Engagement Activities



Party Type	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topic of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
State Agency	California Department of Fish and Wildlife	Project updates and discussion of resources for baseline data review.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
State Agency	California Department of Water Resources	Project updates and process discussions.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
State Agency	California Public Utilities Commission	Project updates and process discussions.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Federal Agency	BOEM	Monthly Project updates. Ongoing discussion of questions, issues, and concerns.	Monthly meetings scheduled.

3.5 Agency Potential Issues and Concerns

Agency concerns to date have primarily centered around the potential impacts to the California marine ecosystem, birds, whales, and NMFS studies. State agencies have also been interested in development timelines/updates that inform state planning of power delivery to the grid. A list of concerns and issues raised to date are listed in Table 3-4. At this stage, it is premature to determine potential impacts, so Vineyard Offshore is evaluating existing information to determine whether additional baseline data are needed for evaluating future potential impacts.



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Table 3-4: Potential Issues and Concerns Identified through Agency Engagement

Concerns or Issues Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
Concerns about potential environmental impacts to the current California marine ecosystem.	Vineyard Offshore is evaluating existing information to determine whether additional baseline data are needed for evaluating future potential impacts.
Concerns about potential impacts on whales and other marine mammals.	Vineyard Offshore is evaluating existing information to determine whether additional baseline data are needed for evaluating future potential impacts.
Concerns about whether offshore wind will reduce or impact upwelling, which could impact fisheries and fog that feed the redwoods.	Vineyard Offshore is evaluating existing information to determine whether additional baseline data are needed for evaluating future potential impacts.
Concerns that Endangered Species Act (ESA) species may be impacted by the Project.	Vineyard Offshore is discussing with USFWS and evaluating potential risk to ESA species.
Concerns that bird species, including wintering and migrating species, may be impacted by the Project.	Vineyard Offshore is evaluating existing information to determine whether additional baseline data are needed for evaluating future potential impacts.
Potential impacts to NMFS long- term fisheries surveys.	Vineyard Offshore will coordinate with NOAA on their research focus "Impacts to NMFS' Scientific Surveys" as identified in NOAA's West Coast Offshore Wind Energy Strategic Science Plan.
Concerns that BSEE should be involved in early decision making.	Vineyard Offshore will continue to work with federal agencies throughout the development process.



Concerns or Issues Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
Concerns about development timelines and project details that inform when state can expect power delivery.	Vineyard Offshore is in regular discussion with state agencies about project timelines and updates.
Concerns about cybersecurity at offshore wind infrastructure.	The US Department of Defense will be a consulting agency during the review process and will address cybersecurity concerns.



3.6 Anticipated or Scheduled Agency Engagement Activities

Vineyard Offshore will continue to attend meetings with federal and state agencies to provide project updates, discuss regulatory frameworks, and share information to support agency decision making based on Vineyard Offshore's experience on the East Coast and in accordance with the Agency Communication Plan. Vineyard Offshore will continue its engagement with BOEM to provide project updates and seek guidance (monthly in Q3 and Q4 2025). Other agency meetings are anticipated to be scheduled at the request of agencies, Vineyard Offshore, and the offshore wind development industry throughout Q3 and Q4 2025.

3.7 Summary of Stakeholder Engagement with Other Parties

Other stakeholder engagement has primarily focused on general relationship building and gaining an understanding of the communities' concerns, interests, and potential partnerships. To advance this effort, Vineyard Offshore has held monthly Office Hours in Eureka and had the opportunity to meet the local community. Vineyard Offshore has also started a quarterly email newsletter that provides updates on past and upcoming events, activities and sponsorships.

To provide educational and knowledge sharing opportunities, Vineyard Offshore participated in a panel discussion with four other leaders in Humboldt County on Energy Project Development and Policy to engineering students at Cal Poly Humboldt and presented to an engineering class on campus. Vineyard Offshore also presented to the most recent pre-apprenticeship training cohort through Cal Poly Humboldt.

Vineyard Offshore presented at multiple meetings and venues since the last progress report. Vineyard Offshore participated in panel discussions and sponsored the Power CA Conference hosted by Humboldt County and the Pacific Offshore Wind Summit hosted by Offshore Wind California.

Stakeholder engagement activities that have occurred since the last reporting period are summarized in Table 3-5. Note that feedback regarding transmission planning and export cable routes will be requested as plans develop and potential locations are identified.



Table 3-5: Summary of Engagement with Other Parties

Topics of Discussion	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Community Awareness and Introductory Meetings	Business associations Business Owners Community Associations Non-profit Organizations Trade Groups Local municipalities	Vineyard Offshore has continued to build new relationships with community stakeholders to introduce the Project. Vineyard Offshore invites the community to monthly Office Hours in the Eureka office.
Ongoing Project Update Communications	Community members County and Municipal Officials Humboldt County - Economic Development Healthcare Centers Local non-profits	Vineyard Offshore continued to engage and build on prior relationships with a variety of stakeholders and provide project updates with a focus on regional collaboration.



Topics of Discussion	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Economic Development	Eureka Chamber of Commerce Fortuna Chamber of Commerce Willow Creek Chamber of Commerce McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce Arcata Chamber of Commerce	Vineyard Offshore continued to meet with Chambers of Commerce to discuss Project updates, as well as potential future business and supply chain opportunities. Vineyard Offshore joined the Willow Creek Chamber of Commerce.
Workforce Development Opportunities	Tribal Nations Universities Local Businesses Trade Organizations County governments Workforce Development Organizations	Vineyard Offshore continues to engage with businesses and local leaders on workforce development and training needs. This past reporting period, Vineyard Offshore partnered with Oceantic to offer an OSW training session for interested participants and actively worked to engage local stakeholders to participate. Vineyard Offshore met with a professor from California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt (Cal Poly Humboldt) who leads the Multi-Craft Core (MC3) Pre- Apprenticeship Program and presented to the MC3 Training Cohort. Vineyard Offshore also met with the Builders Exchange to discuss opportunities during construction.



Topics of	Stakeholder	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or
Discussion	Participant(s)	Outcomes
Discussions on Transmission	California Independent System Operator (CAISO) Local Land Management Stakeholders Utilities Universities	 Vineyard Offshore continues to support discussions and planning for transmission needs on the California coast. Vineyard Offshore participates in discussions on CAISO transmission planning. Vineyard Offshore has partnered with Cal Poly Humboldt on offshore wind research and will continue to support their efforts on transmission and interconnection studies. Vineyard Offshore also met with local utility stakeholders to establish relationships and discuss the transmission needs of OSW projects. Vineyard Offshore's Director of External Affairs, West Coast presented on transmission planning at the Offshore Wind Project Informational Meeting hosted by the Buckeye Conservancy, Humboldt County Farm Bureau, Humboldt Del Norte Cattleman's Association, and Yager Van Duzen Environmental Stewards Board of Directors.



Topics of	Stakeholder	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or
Discussion	Participant(s)	Outcomes
Educational Opportunities	Universities Educational Stakeholders	Vineyard Offshore participated in a panel discussion on Energy Project Development and Policy to engineering students at Cal Poly Humboldt and presented to an engineering class on campus. Vineyard Offshore presented at the Cal Maritime Collegiate Offshore Wind Conference where students from UCLA, Cal Poly Humboldt, and Cal Maritime were learning about wind energy via the Department of Energy Collegiate Wind Competition.



Topics of Discussion	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Port Development	Port Officials Humboldt Harbor District California Association of Port Authorities US Coast Guard State agencies	Vineyard Offshore continues to engage in discussions on the opportunity for harbor and port development initiatives at the Port of Humboldt. This includes participating in Harbor District committee meetings, meetings with local and state stakeholders, and attending regional events such as the California Energy Commission's Long Beach Port Symposium.
		Vineyard Offshore continues to meet with local stakeholders, the State, and other offshore wind developers to discuss pathways forward for developing an OSW ready port.
		Vineyard Offshore continues to engage with local and federal officials on harbor safety and port operations. Vineyard Offshore's Fisheries Liaison participates in the bi-monthly Humboldt Harbor Safety Meetings hosted by the Humboldt Harbor District and the US Coast Guard.
Local Community- based Involvement	Community organizations and other local entities	Vineyard Offshore continues to attend and/or sponsor events to engage and build relationships with local communities. Events during this reporting period included corporate night at the CalPoly Humboldt basketball game, the Fortuna Chamber of Commerce Seafood Boil, and the Operating Engineers Crab Feed.



Topics of	Stakeholder	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or
Discussion	Participant(s)	Outcomes
Regional wildlife data and monitoring	California Marine Sanctuary Foundation Environmental non- profit organizations (eNGOs)	Vineyard Offshore attends regular meetings with environmental organizations, research organizations and subject matter experts to discuss potential avenues for the collection of regional wildlife data. Vineyard Offshore met with California Marine Sanctuay Foundation to discuss their work on identifying data gaps and monitoring guidelines development. Vineyard Offshore met with eNGOs to provide project updates and discuss efforts for regional data collection and monitoring.

3.8 Other Stakeholder Potential Issues and Concerns

Other stakeholder concerns to date have primarily centered around the use of union labor, leveraging the schools in the area for training, determining what opportunities are available for the local community, and understanding environmental concerns. A summary of concerns and issues raised by other stakeholders to date is listed in Table 3-6.

Concern or Issue Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
Recommendation that the construction requires union labor.	Vineyard Offshore has met with labor unions to discuss potential future jobs in the offshore wind industry.
Recommendation to partner with local schools for offshore wind training opportunities.	Vineyard Offshore is evaluating Project needs and assessing partner schools' abilities to determine what types of training options will be appropriate for individual institutions. Vineyard Offshore has already made a commitment to Cal Poly to support its Pacific Offshore Wind Consortium. Vineyard Offshore has presented to students in a number of forums.
Recommendation that offshore wind focus on job creation in the area and draw from a local workforce where possible.	Vineyard Offshore is evaluating future local job creation and supply chain workforce potential by working with Tribal Nations, Humboldt County, workforce development groups, higher education, and local labor unions.
Concern that offshore wind will not supply any electricity locally to Humboldt County.	California Independent System Operator manages grid operations in coordination with load serving entities. In its most recent transmission plan, CAISO identified local area upgrades that may enable offshore wind power to be delivered to the local community. Vineyard Offshore has and will continue to express this priority to CAISO and load serving entities in the area.

Table 3-6: Potential Issues and Concerns Identified through Stakeholder Engagement



Concern or Issue Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
Company should have more local presence in Eureka.	Vineyard Offshore opened an office in Eureka in December 2023. The company hired a local Tribal Lead who started in April 2024. Vineyard Offshore continues to expand its local network through introducing the project to new stakeholders and attending and speaking at events.
Concerns about the influx of workers with regards to impacts on healthcare infrastructure.	Vineyard Offshore is listening to and assessing concerns regarding the current healthcare infrastructure of Humboldt County. This includes impacts that a growing workforce in the local area could have on the healthcare system.
Concerns regarding potential transmission and impacts from development and easements in the local communities and landowners.	Vineyard Offshore will share concerns with California Independent System Operator (CAISO), California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), and future transmission developer.

3.9 Anticipated or Scheduled Engagement Activities with Other Parties

Vineyard Offshore is in the early development stage; therefore, engagement activities will continue to be focused on general education and relationship building.

The following engagement with other interested parties is anticipated for the next reporting period and is anticipated to be scheduled at the request of stakeholders, Vineyard Offshore, and the offshore wind development industry throughout Q3 and Q4 2025:

- Continue to interface with educational institutions such as Cal Poly (monthly throughout Q3 and Q4 2025) and College of the Redwoods to look for synergies.
- Continue engagement with local unions and building trades.
- Continue engagement within Humboldt and Del Norte Counties.
- Continue engagement with local cities and municipalities.
- Continue engagement with local non-profit organizations.



- Attend Port of Humboldt community meetings.
- Attend and participate in local science forums, meetings, and other community and state-wide events.
- Attend local Chamber of Commerce and community events to continue to build relationships and create awareness of the Project in local communities.
- Continue office hours in Eureka (approximately monthly throughout Q3 and Q4 2025).
- Launch a Roadshow to Western Humboldt in July and September to reach more stakeholders.

Additional engagement activities are anticipated but have not been specifically determined as of the date of this report.

3.10 Coordinated Engagement

Vineyard Offshore will continue to coordinate as it relates to common issues for Humboldt leases. During this reporting period, Vineyard Offshore coordinated with RWE on survey outreach, offshore wind meetings with the county, and presenting at events within the Humboldt community. Vineyard Offshore and RWE's Tribal Leads worked together on outreach and engagement activities. Vineyard Offshore's Fisheries Liaison and RWE's Marine Affairs Director conducted outreach to the fishing industry as committed to in their joint Fisheries Communication Plan (FCP) and held joint monthly meetings with their Fisheries Representatives (FR).

3.11 Limited English Proficiency

When stakeholders are identified with Limited English Proficiency, Vineyard Offshore will create relevant alternative-language documents for those stakeholders, or a bilingual presenter will be made available. The Fisheries Liaison is a bilingual Spanish speaker and available to communicate to Spanish speaking fishermen and other stakeholders and community members.

4 Survey Plan Activities

Vineyard Offshore is evaluating when to conduct reconnaissance geophysical surveys. Prior to survey execution, a survey plan will be developed and reviewed as identified in lease conditions.



APPENDIX A

TRIBAL NATIONS AND PARTIES APPLICABLE TO THE PROJECT

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Tables A-1, A-2, A-3, and A-4 identify Tribal Nations and parties applicable to the Project based on a current understanding of Project geographies, agency jurisdiction, the known or expressed interest of parties, and those Tribal Nations participating in the NATCP process. These lists will be updated as additional stakeholders are identified.

Federally or Non-Federally Recognized	Name of Tribe
Federally Recognized	Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria
Federally Recognized	Big Lagoon Rancheria
Federally Recognized	Blue Lake Rancheria
Federally Recognized	Cher-Ae-Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria
Federally Recognized	Elk Valley Rancheria
Federally Recognized	Hoh Tribe
Federally Recognized	Hoopa Valley Tribe
Federally Recognized	Karuk Tribe
Federally Recognized	Makah Tribe
Non-Federally Recognized	Nor Rel Muk Wintu Nation
Federally Recognized	Quartz Valley Indian Reservation
Federally Recognized	Quileute Tribe
Federally Recognized	Quinault Indian Nation
Federally Recognized	Redding Rancheria
Federally Recognized	Pulikla Tribe of Yurok People / Resighini Rancheria
Federally Recognized	Round Valley Indian Tribes
Federally Recognized	Shasta Indian Nation
Federally Recognized	Shasta Nation
Federally Recognized	Tolowa Dee-Ni' Nation
Non-Federally Recognized	Tsnungwe Council
Federally Recognized	Wiyot Tribe
Federally Recognized	Yurok Tribe

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Table A-2: Fisheries Relevant to the Project

Party	Party Type
Commercial Fishermen	Commercial Fishery Industry
Commercial Fisheries Cooperatives and Organizations	Commercial Fishery Industry
Local Harbor Associations	Harbor Association
Pacific Fisheries Management Council	Fisheries Management Council
Individual For-Hire Recreational Fishermen/Boat Captains	Recreational Fishery Industry
Recreational and Charter Fishing Associations	Recreational Fishery Industry

Table A-3: Agencies Relevant to the Project

Party	Party Type
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management	Federal Agency
Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement	Federal Agency
California Coastal Commission	State Agency
California Department of Water Resources	State Agency
California Energy Commission	State Agency
California Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Agency
California Public Utilities Commission	State Agency
California State Lands	State Agency
Humboldt Bay Harbor District	State Agency
National Marine Fisheries Service	Federal Agency
Ocean Protection Council	Federal Agency
US Environmental Protection Agency	Federal Agency
US Fish and Wildlife Service	Federal Agency

Table A-4: Other Parties Relevant to the Project

Party	Party Type
State and Local elected officials	State and local representatives
Local counties and municipalities	Local Agency
State and Local Community Colleges and Universities	Educational or research institution
K-12 Schools and Educational Organizations	Educational or research institution
Research Labs	Educational or research institution
Environmental Non-Profit Organizations - Local	Non-governmental organization
Environmental Non-Profit Organizations - National	Non-governmental organization
Conservation Organizations	Non-governmental organization
Commercial Vessel Operators	Maritime industry
Harbor Districts	Maritime industry
Ports	Maritime industry
Maritime Associations	Maritime industry
Marine Pilots	Maritime industry
Submarine Cable Operators - Offshore and Nearshore	Submarine cable operator
Pipeline Operators	Submarine cable operator
Local Non-Profit Organizations	Community Organization
Community Based Organizations	Community Organization
Chambers of Commerce	Business/workforce/labor organization
Industrial Associations	Business/workforce/labor organization
Industrial Development Corporations	Business/workforce/labor organization
Labor Unions	Business/workforce/labor organization
State and Local Workforce Organizations	Business/workforce/labor organization
Workforce Training Institutes	Business/workforce/labor organization



APPENDIX B

COMMUNICATION PLANS

Communication Plans California North Floating

Native American Tribes Communication Plan:

• This plan is available on the <u>Vineyard Offshore website</u>.

Fisheries Communications Plan:

• This plan is available on the <u>Vineyard Offshore website</u>.

Agency Communication Plan:

• This plan is available on the <u>Vineyard Offshore website</u>.