Appendix A – Species List



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In Reply Refer To: March 23, 2022

Project Code: 2022-0023318

Project Name: Revolution Wind Farm - OnShore

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project

location or may be affected by your proposed project

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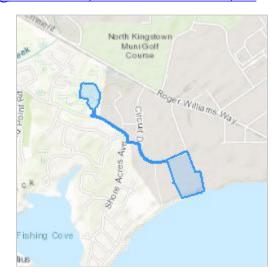
Event Code: None

Project Name: Revolution Wind Farm - OnShore Project Type: Power Gen - Wind - Offshore

Project Description: Offshore wind farm

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: https://www.google.com/maps/@41.5889866,-71.43401707809157,14z



Counties: Washington County, Rhode Island

Endangered Species Act Species

There is a total of 3 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

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Mammals

NAME STATUS

Northern Long-eared Bat Myotis septentrionalis

Threatened

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045

Birds

NAME STATUS

Roseate Tern *Sterna dougallii dougallii*

Endangered

 $Population: Northeast\ U.S.\ nesting\ population$

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/2083

Insects

NAME STATUS

Monarch Butterfly Danaus plexippus

Candidate

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9743

Critical habitats

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In Reply Refer To: March 23, 2022

Project Code: 2022-0023308

Project Name: Revolution Wind Farm - Export Cable

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project

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Event Code: None

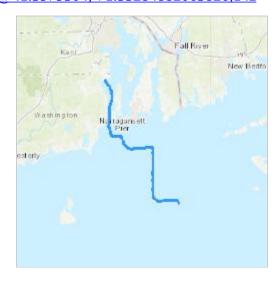
Project Name: Revolution Wind Farm - Export Cable

Project Type: Power Gen - Wind - Offshore

Project Description: Offshore wind farm

Project Location:

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Counties: Newport and Washington counties, Rhode Island

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Red Knot Calidris canutus rufa

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There is **proposed** critical habitat for this species. The location of the critical habitat is not

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In Reply Refer To: March 23, 2022

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Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project

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Project Code: 2022-0023298

Event Code: None

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Project Description: Offshore wind farm

Project Location:

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Birds

NAME

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Population: Northeast U.S. nesting population

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Endangered

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