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Acronyms and Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Definition
BOEM	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
BSEE	Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement
CA	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
TEK	Traditional Ecological Knowledge
US	United States
USFWS	US Fish and Wildlife Service
VO	Vineyard Offshore

1 Purpose and Background

This Progress Report is prepared in accordance with Section 3.1 of Addendum C of the lease between Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) and California North Floating (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.

California North Floating is the leaseholder of Lease Area OCS-P 0562 (the “Project”). California North Floating is an affiliate of Vineyard Offshore, which is an offshore wind development company established by the same team that developed Vineyard Wind 1 (Lease Area OCS-A 0501), the nation’s first commercial-scale offshore wind project. 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.

1.1 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 representatives; 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 third Progress Report submitted to BOEM and generally covers the period of June 2024 through November 2024. 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 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 [company website](#).

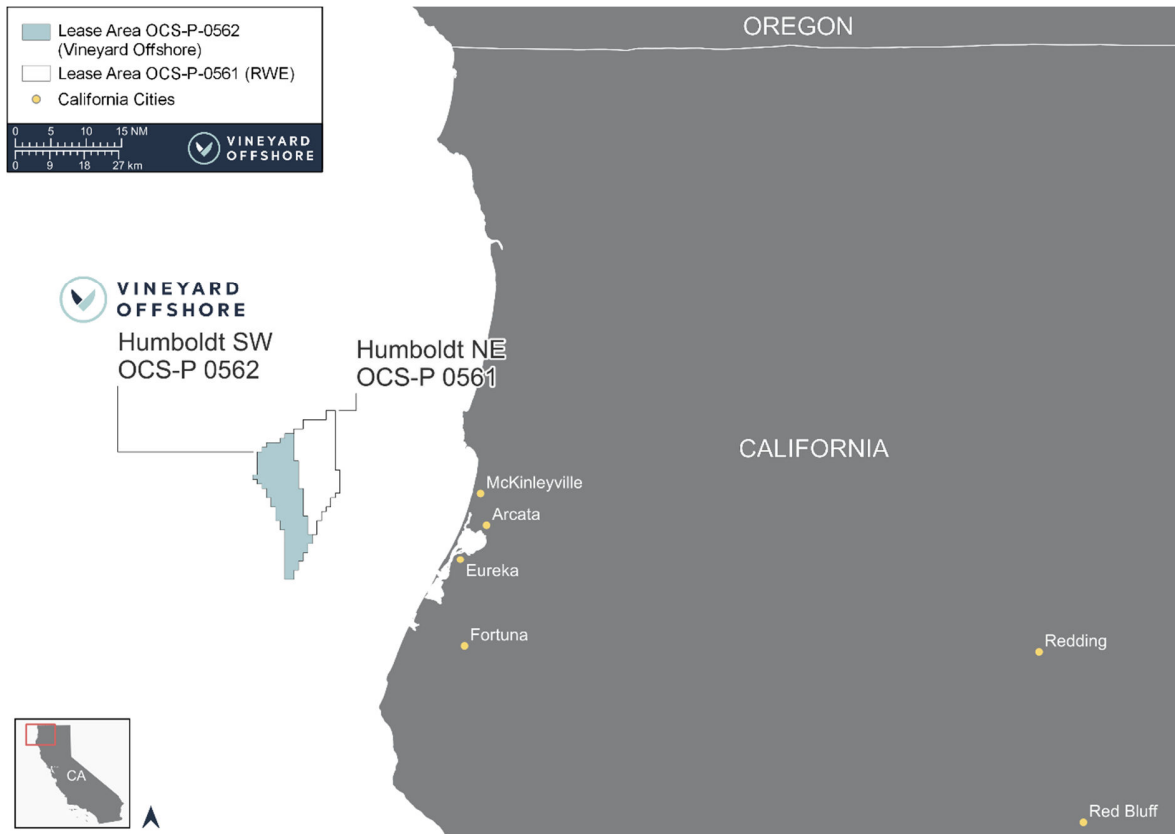


Figure 1: Location of Lease Area OCS-P 0562

2 Tribal Nations Engagement and Collaboration

Vineyard Offshore is focused on building and maintaining collaborative relationships with Tribal governments and members of Tribal Nations. Our current focus has been requesting feedback on our Native American Tribes Communication Plan (NATCP), continuing outreach to Tribal Nations with Project updates, and offering opportunities for Project introductions to Tribal Nations where we have not had responses to date.

Vineyard Offshore continued our engagement with Tribal Nations on the Native American Tribes Communication Plan (NATCP). During this process, we received feedback on updated versions of the Plan through both written comments and verbal feedback during video conferences. The feedback was used to update and finalize the NATCP. Edits and the final version were shared with the Tribal Nations.

To provide educational and knowledge sharing opportunities, Vineyard Offshore partnered with the Oceanic Network and sponsored two virtual Offshore Wind 101 courses inviting Tribal Nations and local community members to attend. The team’s East Coast Tribal Leads also visited Humboldt, sharing their knowledge with respect to East Coast Tribal engagement during in-person meetings with Tribes and while attending the Vineyard Offshore office hours.

As part of our efforts to support the local Tribal Nations, Vineyard Offshore sponsored an Indigenous Science Camp held at Sue-Meg State Park in partnership with the College of Natural Resources & Sciences, Opportunities, Mentoring, Peer, Academic, Support and Services (COMPASS) program at Cal Poly Humboldt. This was an opportunity to learn from and speak with native students, elders, professionals, and teachers for us to improve our understanding of climate change from a Tribal perspective. As part of the Science Camp, we were invited to give a presentation on our Project and answer offshore wind questions. Other Vineyard Offshore sponsorships included the Big Lagoon Rancheria’s youth wrestling camp, Hoopa Youth Cheer and Football Association, and the Pacific Redwood Missing & Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP) Crisis Action Fund. In addition, Vineyard Offshore was honored to attend the Hoopa Valley Tribe’s Sovereigns Day event, the Yurok Salmon Festival, the annual Tolowa Dee-Ni’ Days, and the first annual Trinidad Rancheria Ner-er-nehr Days.

Vineyard Offshore, in coordination with RWE, is actively participating in discussions on the development of a Tribal Capacity Fund. The fund is intended to enhance Tribal Nations’ capacity to participate in early coordination and engagement with Vineyard Offshore leases, associated offshore and onshore transmission, and port development in Humboldt County. We are in discussions with a Tribally focused non-profit entity based in Northern California to accept and distribute these funds.

2.1 Summary of Engagement Activities

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.

Table 2-1: Summary of Tribal Nations Engagement Activities

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria	Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars. Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours. Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic. Training & Future Supply Chain Opportunities.	Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council. NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Big Lagoon Rancheria	<p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
Blue Lake Rancheria	<p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Cher-Ae-Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria	<p>Introduction to Vineyard Offshore.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore to attend Trinidad Port Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
Elk Valley Rancheria	<p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Hoh Tribe	<p>Invitation to a Vineyard Offshore introduction and discussion of the NATCP.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
Hoopa Valley Tribe	<p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Training & future supply chain opportunities.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Karuk Tribe	<p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
Makah Tribe	<p>Invitation to a Vineyard Offshore introduction and discussion of the NATCP.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Nor Rel Muk Wintu	<p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
Quartz Valley Indian Reservation	<p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
<p>Quileute Tribe</p>	<p>Invitation to a Vineyard Offshore introduction and discussion of the NATCP.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
<p>Quinault Indian Nation</p>	<p>Invitation to a Vineyard Offshore introduction and discussion of the NATCP.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Redding Rancheria	<p>Invitation to a Vineyard Offshore introduction and discussion of the NATCP.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
Pulikla Tribe of Yurok People (formerly called the Resighini Rancheria)	<p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Round Valley Indian Tribes	<p>Invitation to a Vineyard Offshore introduction and discussion of the NATCP.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
Shasta Indian Nation	<p>Invitation to a Vineyard Offshore introduction and discussion of the NATCP.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Shasta Nation	<p>Invitation to a Vineyard Offshore introduction and discussion of the NATCP.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
Tolowa Dee-Ni' Nation	<p>Informal discussions.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Tsnungwe Council	<p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Follow up to set up an introductory meeting with the Tribal Council.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
Wiyot Tribe	<p>Project updates and cultural history discussion.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>Tribal Teams tour of Wiyot Cultural Center.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>

Tribal Nations	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Yurok Tribe	<p>Invitation to provide comments on NATCP and/or attend NATCP webinars.</p> <p>Invitation to Vineyard Offshore Office Hours.</p> <p>Invitation to attend an offshore wind 101 virtual seminar coordinated through Oceantic.</p>	<p>Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Tribal Nation.</p> <p>NATCP was updated based on feedback from a subset of Tribal Nations.</p>
Northern California Chairman's Association	Introduction to the Vineyard Offshore team and Project.	Continued periodic meetings, calls, and text messages as the Project progresses and as desired by the Association.

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 indicated 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

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. The company is working to provide Protected Species Observer Training to the Tribal Nations.
Concerns that there may be impacts to environmental and cultural resources.	Vineyard Offshore is currently 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 Tribally focused non-profit entity based in Northern California to accept and distribute these funds.
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 or Issues Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
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 about Tribal Nations being left out of the offshore wind workforce development space.	Vineyard Offshore is in active discussion with local, state, and federal workforce development departments. Vineyard Offshore has offered attendance to interested Tribal members in a virtual Wind 101 course and an upcoming in-person supply chain class coordinated by the Oceanic Network.
Concerns that Tribal Nations should 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 project impacts to environmental & cultural resources.	Vineyard Offshore has and will continue to share concerns with 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 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.

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
Project-specific information	All participating Tribes and Tribal Nations	Vineyard Offshore will meet with Tribal Nations at their direction to further explore specific Project information in collaboration with Tribes/Tribal Nations. Occurs December 2024 through May 2025.
Introductions and information sharing	All Tribes and Tribal Nations without introductions	<p>Vineyard Offshore will continue to reach out to Tribal Nations unless explicitly told that Tribal Nations are not interested in participating. Occurs December 2024 through May 2025.</p> <p>Vineyard Offshore will attend Tribal-related conferences to gather information about Tribal concerns such as the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians in January 2025.</p> <p>Vineyard Offshore is sponsoring an in-person offshore wind training locally in December 2024 focusing on supply chain.</p>

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 California Indian Big Time & Social Gathering in April 2025. Collectively occurs December 2024 through May 2025.

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
- Underserved communities, as defined in Section 2 of Executive Order 13985

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, information sharing, and sponsorships in the local maritime community. Fisheries Liaison Lucia Ordonez holds regular port hours for outreach, engaging with local commercial and recreational fishermen.

Three commercial fishermen are currently working directly with Vineyard Offshore moving forward into 2025. Each of them represents an association of a larger group of fishermen. In addition, Vineyard Offshore is informally in discussions with a broad section of the fishing community through port hours, office hours, scientific meetings, and other community events.

Vineyard Offshore was proud to sponsor local mariners in the Fishermen's Wives/Trinidad Chamber of Commerce's annual Fishermen's Feast event and to support a CPR/First Aid class. Vineyard Offshore also sponsored the 5th Annual California Seaweed Festival, which was held locally this year in Eureka. This event is a place where the greater ocean using public can learn more about local aquaculture, an important facet of the Humboldt Bay economy and habitat health.

To support work force development, Vineyard Offshore, in conjunction with RWE, sponsored a locally taught captain's course (OUPV/Master 100 ton). This type of training is often not

readily available in Northern California; thus, providing a local class overcame an accessibility barrier to the local fishing community.

To support California Coastal Commission in response to Senate Bill 286, we remain actively engaged in the 7C Fisheries Working Group. Both West Coast Permitting Lead Dr. Laura Nagy and Lucia Ordonez have been attending meetings, providing draft documents, comments, and feedback. Jaclyn Robinson, Vineyard Offshore's Tribal Lead, was recently added to this 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 the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission (PSMFC) annual meeting in September and the Pacific Fisheries Management Council's (PFMC) Marine Planning Committee (MPC) meeting in November 2024. The Fisheries Liaison also regularly attends NOAA's West Watch monthly regional updates on climate conditions and impacts along the Pacific coast.

Finally, to ensure consistency in messaging with the fisheries community, Vineyard Offshore continued to attend RWE's presentations to the fishing community on their 2024 survey activities until they finished for the year in August 2024.

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.

Table 3-1: Summary of Engagement with Fisheries

Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Ashley's Seafood	Shared details about captain's course, CPR certification sponsorship, and port hours.	Vineyard Offshore will continue communications with the fishing community as outlined in the FCP.
California Fisheries Resiliency Association (CFRA)	<p>Shared details about captain's course, CPR certification sponsorship, and port hours.</p> <p>Discussion of how to work with Vineyard Offshore to share fishermen's concerns with respect to Project development.</p>	<p>Vineyard Offshore will continue communications with the fishing community as outlined in the FCP and as discussed with the CFRA.</p> <p>Additional follow up to review baseline scientific data/gaps.</p> <p>Monthly meetings with Fisheries Liaison to get input on local fisheries activities and concerns.</p>
Crescent City Fishermen / Harbor District	Shared details about captain's course, CPR certification sponsorship, and port hours.	Vineyard Offshore will continue communications with the fishing community as outlined in the FCP.
Humboldt Area Saltwater Anglers (HASA)	<p>Shared details about captain's course, CPR certification sponsorship, and port hours.</p> <p>Contributed to their newsletter with general updates.</p> <p>Took a tour of the Bay with a member of HASA and Vineyard Offshore team members.</p>	<p>HASA has their own membership email list to provide information to their members as needed.</p> <p>Vineyard Offshore will continue to provide Project updates to HASA and use their communication channels to ensure needed members are up to date.</p>

Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Humboldt Fisherman's Marketing Association	<p>Shared details about captain's course, CPR certification sponsorship, and port hours.</p> <p>Working with Vineyard Offshore as Fisheries Representative.</p>	<p>Vineyard Offshore will continue communications with the fishing community as outlined in the FCP.</p> <p>Monthly meetings with Fisheries Representative to get input on local fisheries activities and concerns.</p>
Fisheries Marketing Association	<p>Shared details about captain's course, CPR certification sponsorship, and port hours.</p> <p>Working with Vineyard Offshore as Fisheries Representative.</p>	<p>Vineyard Offshore will continue communications with the fishing community as outlined in the FCP.</p> <p>Monthly meetings with Fisheries Representative to get input on local fisheries activities and concerns.</p>
Trinidad Rancheria / Pier	<p>Shared details about captain's course, CPR certification sponsorship, and port hours.</p> <p>Vineyard Offshore was invited by port owners of Cher-Ae Heights Trinidad Rancheria to hold a port hours tabling event for community outreach.</p>	<p>Vineyard Offshore will continue communications with the fishing community as outlined in the FCP.</p> <p>Repeat the Cher-Ae Heights Trinidad Rancheria port hours event when invited.</p>
Humboldt Yacht Club	<p>Shared details about captain's course, CPR certification sponsorship, and port hours.</p>	<p>Vineyard Offshore will continue communications with the fishing community as outlined in the FCP.</p>
Englund Marine	<p>Discussed project and potential synergies.</p>	<p>Vineyard Offshore will continue communications with the fishing community as outlined in the FCP.</p>

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 complete list of concerns and issues raised to date are listed in Table 3-2.

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 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 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 evaluating existing information to determine whether additional baseline data are needed for evaluating future potential impacts.
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.

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 regulations 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 community as identified in the FCP. Port hours will be held approximately monthly 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 throughout 2025 as Vineyard Offshore plans scientific studies and identifies research gaps. The Fisheries Liaison will continue to attend fisheries meetings such as PFMC and will continue involvement in the 7C working group throughout the next reporting period of December 2024 through May 2025. The Vineyard Offshore fisheries team also tabled at the Pacific Marine Expo in November 2024.

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 check-in meetings with BOEM, National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), California Energy Commission, California State Lands, California Coastal Commission, and others. Vineyard Offshore also participated in a panel at the Power CA conference in June 2024 and attended the Redwood Coast Regional Economic Summit.

To ensure that the community had the opportunity to ask questions or discuss concerns, Vineyard Offshore hosted monthly Office Hours in Eureka with a diverse section of the community attending. Community members were notified of office hours through advertising, emails, posted notices, and direct invitations during meetings.

Stakeholder engagement activities involving 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.

Table 3-3: Summary of Agency Engagement Activities

Party Type	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topic of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Local Agency	City of Eureka	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Local Agency	City of Arcata	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.

Party Type	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topic of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Local Agency	City of Fortuna	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Local Agency	Humboldt Bay Harbor District	Project discussion and updates on port development. Port 15% design plan review and comment.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Local Agency	Noyo Harbor District - Fort Bragg	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Local Agency	Humboldt County - Economic Development Council	Workforce development and supply chain discussions.	Holding quarterly meetings and regular check-ins on future collaboration opportunities.
Local Agency	Humboldt Transit Authority	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Local Agency	Humboldt County - Sheriff's Office	Introduction to Vineyard Offshore	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Local Agency	Port of Hueneme	Invitation to visit the Port of New Bedford.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Local Agency	Port of San Diego	Invitation to visit the Port of New Bedford.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.

Party Type	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topic of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Local Agency	Port of San Francisco	Continuing ports discussions and invitation to visit the Port of New Bedford.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Local Agency	Port of Long Beach, Pier Wind Project	Project updates and process discussion. Design review and comment. Invitation to visit the Port of New Bedford.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Local Agency	Port of Oakland	Invitation to visit the Port of New Bedford.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
State Agency	California Association of Port Authorities	Invitation to visit the Port of New Bedford.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
State Agency	Governor of California'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.

Party Type	Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topic of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
State Agency	California Energy Commission	Project updates.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
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 Public Utilities Commission	Project updates.	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.
Federal Agency	USACE	Project updates. Tribal engagement listening session.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Federal Agency	NOAA/NMFS	Project updates and discussion of resources for baseline data review.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.
Federal Agency	USFWS	Project updates and discussion of resources for baseline data review.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progress.

3.5 Agency Potential Issues and Concerns

Agency concerns to date have primarily centered around the potential impacts to the California Current marine ecosystem, birds, whales, and NMFS studies. 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.

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 California Current 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 currently working 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 or Issues Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
Concerns that BSEE should be involved in early decision making.	Vineyard Offshore will continue to work with federal partners throughout the development process.
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 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 opportunities. To advance this effort, Vineyard Offshore has held monthly Office Hours in Eureka and had the opportunity to meet the local community.

Vineyard Offshore had the opportunity to present at multiple meetings and venues since the last progress report. Vineyard Offshore and RWE jointly sponsored and presented at the 350 Humboldt Speaker Series in September 2024 which introduced offshore wind and the role it will play in the energy transition. Vineyard Offshore also spoke at the Economic Forecast Event hosted by the Greater Eureka Chamber of Commerce and presented at the Fortuna Chamber Rotary Luncheon and Community Economic Resilience Consortium. In efforts to continue our support for local academic institutes, Vineyard Offshore taught a class at Cal Poly Humboldt this fall.

To provide educational and knowledge sharing opportunities, Vineyard Offshore partnered with the Oceanic Network and sponsored two virtual Offshore Wind 101 classes. Invitations to attend were offered to a broad range of stakeholders including Humboldt and Del Norte Counties; the Cities of Fortuna, Eureka, McKinleyville, and Arcata; as well as other local community members.

Vineyard Offshore was proud to join the Arcata Chamber of Commerce, Southern Humboldt Chamber of Commerce, McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce, Fortuna Chamber of Commerce, Del Norte/Crescent City Chamber of Commerce, and the Trinidad Chamber of Commerce this reporting period.

Vineyard Offshore also sponsored a Humboldt Crabs baseball game over the summer of 2024.

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

Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Arcata Chamber of Commerce	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the North Coast	Vineyard Offshore introduction and discussion on potential synergies.	Continuing engagement on workforce development and training needs.
Bright and Green	Vineyard Offshore introduction.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
California Office of Business and Economic Development	Project updates and discussion.	Continuing engagement on workforce development and training needs.
Cal Poly Humboldt	Project updates and discussion.	Continuing engagement on workforce development and training needs.
College of the Redwoods	Project updates and discussion.	Continuing engagement on workforce development and training needs.
Community Economic Resilience Consortium	Project updates and discussion.	Continuing engagement on workforce development and training needs.
CoreHub	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Crescent City Harbor District	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Crowley Maritime	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.

Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Del Norte/Crescent City Chamber of Commerce	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Englund Marine	Vineyard Offshore Introduction.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Environmental Protection Information Center	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Eureka Chamber of Commerce	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Fortuna Chamber of Commerce	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Fortuna Rotary Club	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Fortuna Sunrise Rotary Club	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Humboldt Area Foundation	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Humboldt Waterkeeper	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Laborers International Union of North America	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Local 324	Project updates and discussion.	Continuing engagement on workforce development and training needs.

Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Lost Coast Communications	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
McLean Foundation	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Native Americans in Philanthropy	Introduction to Vineyard Offshore.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Nor Cal Carpenters Union	Project updates and discussion.	Continuing engagement on workforce development and training needs.
North Coast Small Business Development Center	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
North Edge: Business Financing & Community Development	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Northern California Indian Development Council	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Northern Humboldt Unified School District	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Offshore Wind US	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.

Stakeholder Participant(s)	Topics of Discussions	Follow-up Actions, Activities, or Outcomes
Redwood Coast Energy Authority	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Redwood Region Economic Development Commission	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Southern Humboldt Chamber of Commerce	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Tri-County Independent Living	Introduction to Vineyard Offshore.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
Trinidad Chamber of Commerce	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.
United Autoworkers Union - Center for Manufacturing a Green Economy	Project updates and discussion. Workforce development.	Continuing engagement on workforce development and training needs.
2 nd & F Properties	Introduction to Vineyard Offshore.	Continuing engagement on potential synergies.
350 Humboldt	Project updates and discussion.	Schedule next meetings as study plans or Project design progresses.

3.7 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. Stakeholder potential issues and concerns were not repeated if they were already identified in the previous sections. A summary of concerns and issues raised by other stakeholders to date is listed in Table 3-6.

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
Recommendation that the construction requires union labor.	Vineyard Offshore is a strong supporter of union labor.
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.
Recommendation that offshore wind focus on job creation in the area and draw from a local workforce where possible.	Vineyard Offshore is evaluating local job creation and supply chain workforce potential by working with Tribal Nations, Humboldt County, workforce development groups, higher education, and local labor unions.
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.
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 and expects to hire or contract with additional local people and/or companies.

Concern or Issue Raised	Efforts to Address or Resolve and/or How Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
<p>Concerns about the influx of workers with regards to impacts on healthcare infrastructure.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Concerns around potential transmission and impacts from development and easements in the local communities and landowners.</p>	<p>Vineyard Offshore will share concerns with California Independent System Operator (CAISO), California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), and future transmission developer.</p>

3.8 Anticipated or Scheduled Engagement Activities

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:

- Continue engagement with BOEM (monthly, December 2024 through May 2025).
- Continue to interface with educational institutions such as Cal Poly (monthly) and College of the Redwoods (December 2024 through May 2025) to look for synergies.
- Continue engagement with local unions and building trades (December 2024 through May 2025).
- Schedule office hours locally and continue engagement within Humboldt and Del Norte Counties (e.g., Friday night markets, Port hours: December 2024 through May 2025).
- Attend and participate in local science forums, meetings, and other community and state-wide events (December 2024 through May 2025).
- Continue engagement with federal, state, and local agencies, and other stakeholders with Project update meetings as identified in the Agency Communication Plan and FCP (December 2024 through May 2025).

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

3.9 Coordinated Engagement

Vineyard Offshore will continue to coordinate as it relates to common issues for Humboldt leases. When feasible, Vineyard Offshore will coordinate with RWE on survey outreach, coordinating offshore wind meetings with the county, and sponsoring and presenting at events within the Humboldt community. Vineyard Offshore and RWE's Tribal Leads will continue to work together regarding outreach and engagement activities.

3.10 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.

4 Survey Plan and Study Plan Activities

Vineyard Offshore is evaluating when to conduct reconnaissance geophysical surveys and is anticipating that the earliest timing would be survey initiation in Spring 2026. Prior to survey execution, a survey plan will be developed and reviewed as identified in lease conditions.

Vineyard Offshore is currently evaluating Project baseline data and developing environmental study plans. These plans likely will be shared with the relevant agencies in summer 2025.

APPENDIX A**TRIBAL NATIONS AND PARTIES APPLICABLE TO THE PROJECT****REDACTED**

APPENDIX B

COMMUNICATION PLANS

Communication Plans for Vineyard Offshore

Native American Tribes Communication Plan:

- This plan is available on the [Vineyard Offshore website](#).

Fisheries Communications Plan:

- This plan is available on the [Vineyard Offshore website](#).

Agency Communication Plan:

- This plan is available on the [Vineyard Offshore website](#).