



## Appendix I-B

### Stakeholder Engagement

**Note:**

On March 26, 2021, Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind, LLC (Atlantic Shores) submitted a Construction and Operations Plan (COP) to BOEM for the southern portion of Lease OCS-A 0499. On June 30, 2021, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJ BPU) awarded Atlantic Shores an Offshore Renewable Energy Credit (OREC) allowance to deliver 1,509.6 megawatts (MW) of offshore renewable wind energy into the State of New Jersey. In response to this award, Atlantic Shores updated Volume 1 of the COP to divide the southern portion of Lease OCS-A 0499 into two separate and electrically distinct Projects. Project 1 will deliver renewable energy under this OREC allowance and Project 2 will be developed to support future New Jersey solicitations and power purchase agreements.

As a result of the June 30, 2021 NJ BPU OREC award, Atlantic Shores updated Volume I (Project Information) of the COP in August 2021 to reflect the two Projects. COP Volume II (Affected Environment) and applicable Appendices do not currently include this update and will be updated to reflect Projects 1 and 2 as part Atlantic Shores' December 2021 COP revision.

## Meetings with Agencies, Tribes, and Municipalities

Table A-1 provides a list of meetings that Atlantic Shores has held with federal, state, and local agencies, federal and state-recognized tribes, and municipalities as of January 2021. Atlantic Shores will continue to consult with agencies, municipalities, and tribes as the Project advances.

Table A-1 Coordination with Agencies, Tribes, and Municipalities

Meeting Date	Entity	Purpose/Topic
<b>2019</b>		
March 2019	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)	Introductory meeting
March 2019	National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)	Introductory meeting
April 2019	New Jersey General Assembly	Introductory meetings
April 2019	U.S. Congress	Introductory meeting
April 2019	New Jersey State Senate	Introductory meeting
April 2019	Atlantic County	Introductory meeting
April 2019	New Jersey Senator Chris Brown	Introductory meeting
April 2019	New Jersey General Assembly	Introductory meeting
May 2019	Ocean County Freeholder Director	Introductory meeting
May 2019	New Jersey General Assembly	Further introductory meetings
May 2019	Ocean County Administrator	Introductory meeting
May 2019	Ocean County Engineer	Introductory meeting
May 2019	Director Ocean County Business Development & Tourism Ocean County Tourism Advisory Council	Introductory meeting
May 2019	Ocean County Director, Depart. of Planning/Solid Waste Management	Introductory meeting
May 2019	Atlantic City Mayor	Introductory meeting
May 2019	Atlantic City Council	Introductory meeting
May 2019	Department of Defense – Navy and Marine Corps	Introductory meeting
May 2019	New Jersey Senate Republican Office	Introductory meeting
July 2019	New Jersey Governor’s Office	Introductory meeting and status updates
July 2019	New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel	Introductory meeting
July 2019	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP)	Introductory meeting
July 2019	New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel	Introductory meeting and status updates

Table A-1 Coordination with Agencies, Tribes, and Municipalities (Continued)

Meeting Date	Entity	Purpose/Topic
<b>2019</b>		
September 2019	New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU)	Introductory meeting and status updates
October 2019	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Philadelphia District, Regulatory Branch	Introduction to FLIDAR meeting
October 2019	New Jersey State Senate	Introductory meeting and status updates
October 2019	NJBPU	Status update
November 2019	League of Municipalities	Introductory meeting and status updates
November 2019	New Jersey Governor's Office	League of Conservation Voters reception
December 2019	BOEM	Schedule of activities
December 2019	BOEM	Geophysical pre-survey meeting
December 2019	NJBPU	Meeting with General Counsel
December 2019	Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Committee	Introductory meeting
December 2019	New Jersey Governor's Office	Status updates
December 2019	NJDEP	Points of interconnection (POIs) and rights-of-way (ROWs)
<b>2020</b>		
January to November 2020	BOEM	24 bi-weekly status update meetings
January 2020	NJDEP	POIs
February 2020	Casino Reinvestment Development Authority	Introductory meeting and POIs
February 2020	Tribal Representatives <sup>a</sup>	Geophysical pre-survey meeting
February 2020	Tribal Representatives <sup>a</sup>	Geophysical pre-survey meeting
March 1 2020	Ocean County	Introductory meeting
March 1 2020	New York Department of Environmental Conservation	Export cable routes
March 1 2020	NJBPU	Status updates
March 1 2020	NJDEP	Schedule coordination
March 1 2020	U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)	Layout of wind turbine generators
April 2020	BOEM	Lease development strategy
April 2020	BOEM and NMFS	Benthic survey plan
April 2020	New York Department of Public Service	Introduction and POIs/ROWs

Table A-1 Coordination with Agencies, Tribes, and Municipalities (Continued)

Meeting Date	Entity	Purpose/Topic
<b>2020</b>		
April 2020	New Jersey Department of Labor	Local labor
May 2020	Department of Treasury	Introductory meeting
May 2020	BOEM and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)	Avian surveys including for red knots and piping plover
May 2020	BOEM	Visual assessment protocol
May 2020	BOEM and NMFS	Marine mammals and vessel speed restrictions
May 2020	BOEM and USCG	Layout, navigation safety, and search and rescue (SAR)
May 2020	U.S. Congress	Multiple introductory meetings
May 2020	Tribal Representatives <sup>a</sup>	Geotechnical pre-survey meeting
June to November 2020	USCG	7 bi-weekly status update meetings
June 2020	New Jersey Governor's Office – Legal Counsel	Status updates
June 2020	BOEM and NMFS	Site Assessment Plan
June 2020	Monmouth County	Discussion with Assemblymen
June 2020	USCG SAR Pilots	Search and rescue
July 2020	Tribal Representatives <sup>b</sup>	Geotechnical culture cores
July 2020	U.S. Congress	Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures Subcommittee, House Ways and Means Committee
July 2020	Ocean, Atlantic, and Monmouth Counties	Introductory meetings with political officials
July 2020	NJDEP	Navigation safety
July 2020	New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT)	Introductory meeting with NJDOT leadership
July 2020	NJBPU	Meetings with NJBPU leadership
August 2020	U.S. Congress	Introductory meetings with Senate staff
August 2020	New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs	Introductory meeting
August 2020	NJDEP and USFWS	Avian surveys
August 2020	NJDEP	Visual impact assessment and cultural resources
August 2020	Ocean and Monmouth Counties	Meetings with political officials
August 2020	NJDEP	Geotech sampling

Table A-1 Coordination with Agencies, Tribes, and Municipalities (Continued)

Meeting Date	Entity	Purpose/Topic
<b>2020</b>		
September 2020	U.S. Congress	Introductory meetings with Congressional staff
September 2020	BOEM	Project Design Envelope (PDE)
September 2020	Monmouth County	Meetings with political officials
September 2020	NJDEP and NMFS	Fisheries monitoring plan
September 2020	NJDEP	PDE
October 2020	Monmouth and Ocean Counties	Further introductory meetings and status updates
October 2020	USCG	Search and rescue operations
October 2020	BOEM, USFWS, NJDEP, NMFS, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), USACE, National Park Service, USCG	PDE
October 2020	NMFS and New Jersey environmental non-governmental organization (eNGO)	Marine mammal and sea turtle monitoring
October 2020	U.S. Congress	Meeting with Congressional staff
October 2020	DoD – Clearinghouse, Air Force, Navy, and Marine Corps	Status update
October 2020	BOEM	National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106
October 2020	BOEM	Essential Fish Habitat
December 2020	BOEM	NHPA Section 106
<b>2021</b>		
January 2021	BOEM	Status updates
January 2021	USCG	Status updates
January 2021	NJDEP	Status updates
January 2021	BOEM	Geophysical and geotechnical survey plan

Notes:

- a) Invitees were the Narragansett Indian Tribe, the Shinnecock Indian Nation, and the Lenape Tribe of Delaware.
- b) Invitees were the Narragansett Indian Tribe, the Shinnecock Indian Nation, the Lenape Tribe of Delaware, the Delaware Nation, Oklahoma, the Delaware Tribe of Indians, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma, the Mohican Nation Stockbridge–Munsee Band, the Shawnee Tribe, the Stockbridge Munsee Community, New York, the Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape Tribal Nation, Ramapough Lenape Nation, the Powhatan Renape Nation, and the Unkechaug Indian Nation.

## Meetings with Other Stakeholders

Atlantic Shores is actively engaged with stakeholders to identify and discuss their interests and concerns regarding offshore wind and the development of the Project. Table A-2 provides a list of meetings that Atlantic Shores has held with stakeholders, including business groups/associations, environmental non-governmental organizations (eNGOs), academia and research/scientific institutes, commercial and recreational fishermen and boaters, and nearby residents, as of February 2021.

Table A-2 Stakeholder Meetings

Date	Entity	Purpose/Topic
<b>2019</b>		
April 2019	Atlantic County Economic Alliance	Introductory meeting
May 2019	Atlantic City Chamber	Introductory meeting
May 2019	New Jersey Sierra Club	Introductory meeting
May 2019	Rutgers University	Partnership opportunity
September 2019	New Jersey Energy Coalition	Introductory meeting
September 2019	Clean Water Action	Introductory meeting
October 2019	South Jersey Chamber of Commerce	Introductory meeting
October 2019	AC Devco	Introductory meeting
November 2019	Rutgers University	Partnership opportunity
November 2019	Ocean County Outreach Community Liaison Interview	Interview for Community Liaison
November 2019	Stockton University Hughes Center Honors	Event
December 2019	New Jersey Chamber of Commerce	Introductory meeting
December 2019	Rowan University	Potential research
<b>2020</b>		
January 2020	New Jersey Business & Industry Association (NJBIA)	Introductory meeting
January 2020	Stockton University	Introductory meeting
April 2020	Surf clam companies	Coordination discussion
May 2020	Rutgers University	Information session
May 2020	New Jersey Conservation Foundation	Introductory meeting
May 2020	New Jersey League of Conservation Voters	Introductory meeting
May 2020	Environment New Jersey	Introductory meeting
May 2020	New Jersey Sierra Club	Introductory meeting

Table A-2 Stakeholder Meetings (Continued)

Date	Entity	Purpose/Topic
<b>2020</b>		
May 2020	Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc. (NRDC)	Introductory meeting
May 2020	New Jersey Audubon	Introductory meeting
May 2020	National Wildlife Federation	Introductory meeting
May 2020	New Jersey Bay Keeper	Introductory meeting
May 2020	Clean Water Action	Introductory meeting
May 2020	New Jersey Energy Foundation	Introductory meeting
May 2020	New Jersey National Wildlife Federation	Introductory meeting
May 2020	American Littoral Society	Introductory meeting
May 2020	Surf Rider	Introductory meeting
May 2020	NRDC	Marine mammal monitoring
May 2020	Environmental Defense Fund	Introductory meeting
May 2020	Clean Ocean Action	Introductory meeting
August 2020	New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs	Introductory meeting
August 2020	Wildlife Conservation Society	Introductory meeting
September 2020	Clean Water Action	Introductory meeting
September 2020	Surf clam companies	Coordination discussion
September 2020	NRDC	Marine mammal monitoring
September 2020	Stockton University	Renting office space
October 2020	Clean Ocean Action	Partnership opportunity
October 2020	NMFS and New Jersey eNGO	Marine mammal monitoring
October 2020	Rutgers University	Research/partnership opportunity
October 2020	Rutgers ECO Complex	Research/partnership opportunity
October 2020	Atlantic City Boys and Girls Club	Partnership opportunity
October 2020	Barnegat Bay Partnership	Partnership opportunity
November 2020	Clean Ocean Action	Partnership opportunity
December 2020	Reclam the Bay	Partnership opportunity
December 2020	Jersey Conservation Foundation	Introductory meeting
December 2020	Stockton University	ECO Center ribbon cutting

Table A-2 Stakeholder Meetings (Continued)

Date	Entity	Purpose/Topic
<b>2021</b>		
January 2021	Recreational Fisheries Workshop	Introductory meeting/Q&A
January 2021	Jingoli Competitive Edge Program	Partnership opportunity
January 2021	Ocean County Joint Tax Payers Association	Information session
January 2021	Barnegat Bay Partnership	Information session
February 2021	Jingoli Competitive Edge Program	Partnership opportunity
February 2021	Atlantic County Liaison Interviews	Hiring Atlantic County Liaison