



**Agenda for the Intergovernmental Renewable Energy
Task Force for the Gulf of Maine
December 12, 2019**
University of New Hampshire
Memorial Union Building: Strafford Room
83 Main Street, Durham, New Hampshire 03824

Meeting Purpose and Objectives

- To facilitate coordination and consultation among federal, state, local, and tribal governments by introducing their respective roles and responsibilities regarding offshore wind energy and the renewable energy leasing process on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) in the Gulf of Maine.
- Update the Task Force and stakeholders on recent state activities.
- Provide opportunities for public input about the topics being considered by the Task Force.

Note: Agenda sessions will include time for facilitated dialogue amongst all task force members.

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Registration	
9:00 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.	Welcome & Opening Remarks	<i>James Bennett, Chief, BOEM Office of Renewable Energy Programs (OREP) The Honorable Chris Sununu, Governor of New Hampshire</i>
9:20 a.m. – 9:25 a.m.	Introductions & Agenda Review	<i>Pat Field, Facilitator, CBI</i>
9:25 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.	Offshore Renewable Energy Program Overview	<i>James Bennett, Chief, BOEM OREP</i>
9:40 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.	Task Forces and Charter	<i>Luke Feinberg, Project Coordinator, BOEM</i>
9:50 a.m. – 10:05 a.m.	Leasing Process Review	<i>Meredith Lilley, Project Coordinator, BOEM</i>
10:05 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.	State of New Hampshire <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of state renewable energy goals 	<i>Matthew Mailloux, Energy Advisor, New Hampshire Office of Strategic Initiatives</i>
10:25 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.	Break	
10:35 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.	State of Maine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of state renewable energy goals 	<i>Dan Burgess, Director, Maine Governor’s Energy Office</i>
10:55 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	State of Massachusetts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of state renewable energy goals 	<i>Patrick Woodcock, Undersecretary of Energy, Commonwealth of Massachusetts</i>

11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	<p>Public Input Opportunity</p> <p>Interested individuals will be provided an opportunity and are encouraged to provide input on the topics being discussed by the Task Force. Depending on how many individuals would like to participate, time will be limited to 2-3 minutes, with priority given to those attendees unable to participate in the afternoon roundtable discussion.</p> <p>A sign-up list and guidelines will be available at the meeting registration table.</p>	
11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.	<p>Lunch (on your own)</p>	
12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	<p>Offshore Wind Jurisdictional Authorities: Who is Who and What Do They Do?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Defense (<i>invited</i>) • United States Coast Guard – <i>Michele DesAutels</i>, Marine Information Specialist, Maritime Energy and Marine Planning Branch, First Coast Guard District • NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service – <i>Susan Tuxbury</i>, Fishery Biologist • NOAA National Ocean Service – <i>David Kaiser</i>, Senior Policy Analyst 	
1:45 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.	<p>Gulf of Maine Information Resources and Ocean Users</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OceanReports and Northeast Regional Ocean Portal Overview – <i>Christine Taylor</i>, Lead Physical Scientist, Geospatial Services Division, BOEM & <i>Nick Napoli</i>, Ocean Planning Director, Northeast Regional Ocean Council • New England Fisheries Management Council – <i>Tom Nies</i>, Executive Director • Responsible Offshore Development Alliance – <i>Annie Hawkins</i>, Executive Director • U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) – <i>Dan Beals</i>, Program Analyst II, U.S. DOE/Allegheny Science and Technology • BOEM studies program – <i>Mary Boatman</i>, Science Coordinator, BOEM 	
3:20 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<p>Break</p>	
3:30 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.	<p>Next Steps in the Leasing Process</p>	<p><i>Meredith Lilley</i>, Project Coordinator, BOEM</p>
3:40 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	<p>Facilitated Task Force Discussion</p>	<p><i>Pat Field</i>, Facilitator, CBI</p>
4:30 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.	<p>Overview of Action Items, Closing Remarks</p>	<p><i>Pat Field</i>, Facilitator, CBI <i>James Bennett</i>, Chief, OREP, BOEM</p>
4:40 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<p>Informal Stakeholder Discussion</p>	