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List of Acronyms

AHTS	anchor handling tug supply
AIS	Automatic Identification System
BSFC	brake specific fuel consumption
BOEM	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
CO ₂	carbon dioxide
CO _{2e}	carbon dioxide equivalents
CO	carbon monoxide
COP	Construction and Operations Plan
CTV	crew transfer vessel
XLPE	cross-linked polyethylene
DP	dynamic positioning
ESP	electrical service platform
eGRID	Emissions & Generation Resource Integrated Database
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
gal	gallon
GWP	global warming potential
g	gram
GHGs	greenhouse gases
HAPs	hazardous air pollutants
HLV	heavy lift vessel
HTV	heavy transport vessel
HVAC	high voltage alternating current
HVDC	high voltage direct current
HHV	higher heating value
HDD	horizontal directional drilling
hr	hour
HC	hydrocarbons
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
IWG	Interagency Working Group on Social Cost of Greenhouse Gases
km	kilometers
kv	kilovolt
kw	kilowatt
Pb	lead
MDO	marine diesel oil
MGO	marine gas oil
MW	megawatt
CH ₄	methane
MMbtu	metric million British thermal unit
MT	metric tonne
mi	miles

List of Acronyms (Continued)

NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NM	nautical miles
NO _x	nitrogen oxides
N ₂ O	nitrous oxide
NMHC	non-methane hydrocarbon
NPCC	Northeast Power Coordinating Council
OGV	ocean-going vessels
OECCs	offshore export cable corridors
O&M	operations and maintenance
OCS	Outer Continental Shelf
PM ₁₀	particulate matter smaller than 10 microns
PM _{2.5}	particulate matter smaller than 2.5 microns
ppm	parts per million
lb	pound
PDE	Project Design Envelope
RSZ	reduced speed zone
RORO	roll-on/roll-off
SC-GHG	social cost of greenhouse gases
SOV	service operation vessel
SO ₂	sulfur dioxide
SF ₆	sulfur hexafluoride
tpy	tons per year
TSS	traffic separation schemes
ULSD	ultra-low sulfur diesel
US	United States
VOCs	volatile organic compounds
WTG	wind turbine generator

1 Introduction

Vineyard Northeast LLC (the “Proponent”) proposes to develop, construct, and operate offshore renewable wind energy facilities in Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) Lease Area OCS-A 0522 (the “Lease Area”) along with associated offshore and onshore transmission systems. This proposed development is referred to as “Vineyard Northeast.” Vineyard Northeast includes 160 total wind turbine generator (WTG) and electrical service platform (ESP) positions within the Lease Area. Up to three of those positions will be occupied by ESPs and the remaining positions will be occupied by WTGs. Two offshore export cable corridors (OECCs)—the Massachusetts OECC and the Connecticut OECC—will connect the renewable wind energy facilities to onshore transmission systems in Massachusetts and Connecticut. If high voltage alternating current (HVAC) offshore export cables are used in the Massachusetts OECC, the cables would connect to a booster station in the northwestern aliquot¹ of Lease Area OCS-A 0534.

Electricity generated by the WTGs will displace electricity produced by fossil fuel power plants and significantly reduce emissions from the regional electric grid over the lifespan of Vineyard Northeast. However, there will be air emissions from vessels, construction equipment, generators, helicopters, on-road vehicles, and some fugitive emissions during the construction and operation of Vineyard Northeast.

This document details the methods used to estimate all air emissions from Vineyard Northeast within the United States (US) (onshore and 200 ~nautical miles [NM] [~370 kilometers] out to sea) in order to assess regional impacts to air quality as part of the Vineyard Northeast Construction and Operations Plan (COP) and for BOEM’s National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process. This document also describes the methods used to quantify emissions from the electric grid (and the associated social costs) that are expected to be avoided as a result of the clean, renewable energy provided by Vineyard Northeast.

Section 2 describes the types of air emissions sources that may be used during the construction and operation of Vineyard Northeast and discusses the methods used to calculate air emissions from those sources. Section 3 provides the preliminary estimate of air emissions from construction and operation of Vineyard Northeast. Section 4 describes the methods used to quantify emissions from fossil fuel power plants and the associated social costs of greenhouse gases (GHGs) that will be avoided as a result of Vineyard Northeast. Section 5 contains the references used to develop this Air Emissions Calculations and Methodology.

¹ An aliquot is 1/64th of a BOEM Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lease Block.

All anticipated air emission sources associated with Vineyard Northeast are itemized in Attachment A. Attachment B contains parameters of the Project Design Envelope (PDE) used to develop the emissions estimates. Attachment C contains emission factors, load factors, and other supporting calculations used to calculate potential emissions. Attachment D contains avoided emission and avoided social cost of GHG calculations.

1.1 Maximum Design Scenario for the Air Emissions Estimates

Vineyard Northeast is being developed and permitted using a PDE based on expected commercial and technological advancements. The PDE outlines a reasonable range of project design parameters (e.g., multiple foundation types) and installation techniques (e.g., use of various cable installation tools). The use of a PDE allows analysis of the maximum impacts that could occur from Vineyard Northeast based on the “maximum design scenario” for each resource while providing the Proponent with the flexibility to optimize its project(s) within the approved PDE during later stages of the development process. The maximum design scenario used to assess potential impacts and benefits to air quality is described below:

- Offshore emissions were estimated assuming that 160 WTG/ESP positions would be occupied by up to three ESPs and the remainder would be occupied by WTGs (i.e., 157-160 WTGs).² The estimate also assumes the installation of a booster station, the maximum length of offshore cables, the maximum area of scour protection, and the maximum area of cable protection allowed by the PDE.
- Onshore emissions were estimated assuming the construction of two onshore transmission systems (one in Massachusetts and one in Connecticut), each comprised of a landfall site, onshore cable route, and new onshore substation.
- Avoided emissions were estimated based on the minimum nameplate capacity for the entire Lease Area.

² If two or three ESPs are used, they may be co-located at the same grid position (co-located ESPs would only be installed on monopiles). For each emission source, the assumed combination of WTGs and ESPs (e.g., 160 WTGs/zero ESPs, three ESPs [two of which are co-located]/158 WTGs, etc.) varies depending on which combination yields the maximum air emissions estimate.

2 Air Emissions Methodology

In general, air emissions are estimated by calculating the duration and intensity of emission-generating activities and multiplying those estimates by appropriate emission factors. To the best of the Proponent's knowledge, the methods and emission factors used in this analysis are the most current and appropriate publicly available methods and factors for the specific activities that will be conducted during Vineyard Northeast. The pollutants included in the air emissions analysis are nitrogen oxides (NO_x), volatile organic compounds (VOCs), carbon monoxide (CO), particulate matter smaller than 10 microns (PM₁₀), particulate matter smaller than 2.5 microns (PM_{2.5}, a subset of PM₁₀), sulfur dioxide (SO₂), lead (Pb),³ total hazardous air pollutants (HAPs, individual compounds are either VOC or PM), and GHG emissions, reported as carbon dioxide equivalent (CO₂e).

Emissions were calculated for the following categories of emission sources:

1. Commercial marine vessels
2. Helicopters
3. Offshore generators
4. Other offshore construction equipment
5. Onshore non-road engines
6. On-road vehicles
7. Construction dust
8. Fugitive emissions

These emission sources are further described in Section 2.1. The types of emission sources, engine sizes, and durations of activities used in this air emissions estimate reflect Vineyard Northeast's most current logistical and operational plans to the best of the Proponent's knowledge at the time of submission, but because the Proponent is still selecting contractors and finalizing the design of the facilities, the actual emissions associated with individual activities may be higher or lower than the estimate provided in the COP.

³ Because Pb is a type of HAP, Pb emissions are not presented separately in the emissions summary tables in Section 3.

2.1 Description of Air Emission Sources

Offshore emissions will primarily come from the main engines and auxiliary engines on commercial marine vessels used during construction and operations and maintenance (O&M) activities.⁴ There may also be emissions from other construction equipment used aboard vessels including, but not limited to, engines used to power pile driving hammers, motion compensation system engines, and engines used for noise mitigation devices during pile driving (e.g., air compressors used to supply air to bubble curtains). Additional emissions are expected to come from diesel generators used to temporarily supply power to the WTGs, ESP(s), and booster station as well as helicopters. Anticipated emission sources for offshore construction and O&M activities are described in the following table.

Table 2.1-1 Description of Offshore Emissions Sources

Emission Source ¹	Description
Anchor handling tug supply (AHTS) vessels	Vessels that primarily handle and reposition the anchors of other vessels (e.g., cable laying vessels), but may also be used to transport equipment or for other services.
Barges	Vessels with or without propulsion that may be used for transporting components (e.g., foundations, WTGs, etc.) or installation activities.
Bunkering vessels	Vessels used to supply fuel and other provisions to other vessels offshore.
Cable laying vessels	Specialized vessels/barges that lay and bury offshore cables into the seafloor.
Crew transfer vessels (CTVs)	Smaller vessels that transport crew, marine mammal observers, parts, and/or equipment.
Dredging vessels	Specialized vessels used to remove the upper portions of sand bedforms.
Heavy lift vessels (HLVs)	Vessels that may be used to lift, support, and orient the WTGs, ESP(s), booster station, and foundations during installation.
Heavy transport vessels (HTVs)/modified cargo vessels	Ocean-going vessels (OGVs) that may transport components to staging ports or directly to the Lease Area.
Jack-up vessels	Vessels that extend legs to the seafloor to provide a safe, stable working platform. Jack-up vessels may be used to install foundations, ESP and booster station topsides, and/or WTGs, to transport components to the Lease Area, for offshore accommodations, for cable splicing activities, and/or for cable pull-in at the landfall sites.
Scour/cable protection installation vessels	Vessels (e.g., fallpipe vessels) that may be used to deposit a layer of rock around the foundations or over limited sections of the offshore cable system.

⁴ A vessel's main engines, also referred to as propulsion engines, supply power to move the vessel. A vessel's auxiliary engines supply power for non-propulsion (e.g., electrical) loads.

Table 2.1-1 Description of Offshore Emissions Sources (Continued)

Emission Source ¹	Description
Service operation vessels (SOVs)	Larger vessels that provide offshore living accommodations and workspace as well as transport crew to and from the Lease Area.
Support vessels	Multipurpose vessels (e.g., work boats, supply boats, accommodation vessels, diving support vessels) that may be used for a variety of activities, such as the pre-lay grapnel runs, supporting cable installation, commissioning WTGs, or transporting equipment.
Survey vessels	Specialized vessels used to perform geophysical, geotechnical, and environmental surveys.
Tugboats	OGVs or smaller harbor craft used to transport equipment and barges.
Offshore generators	Diesel engines that temporarily supply power to the WTGs, ESP(s), and booster station.
Other construction equipment	Non-road construction equipment used aboard vessels, on the WTGs, ESP(s), and/or booster station (e.g., pile driving hammer engines, air compressors, motion compensation platform engines, forklifts, winches, etc.).
Helicopters	Helicopters capable of transporting crew to vessels or the ESP(s).
Fugitive emissions	Emissions from solvents, paints, coatings, diesel fuel storage/transfer, and sulfur hexafluoride (SF ₆).

Note:

1. Fishing vessels may be used for crew transfer or other miscellaneous activities described above.

Emission sources from onshore construction and O&M activities will include construction equipment and vehicles used during the unloading and loading of components at the port facilities, during construction at the landfall sites (e.g., horizontal directional drilling [HDD]), during installation of the onshore cables, and during construction of the onshore substations. Onshore emission sources include:

- Non-road construction equipment (e.g., cranes, excavators, backhoes, trenchers, drilling tools, front end loaders, forklifts, generators, pumps, welders, air conditioning units, and aerial lifts)
- Worker vehicles, delivery vehicles, and heavy-duty vehicles (e.g., concrete delivery trucks, dump trucks)
- Fugitive emissions from incidental solvent release and sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆)
- Particulate emissions from construction dust

The number and types of vessels, equipment, helicopters, and vehicles along with anticipated hours of operation and number of round trips for each emission source was provided by the Proponent's engineers. A complete description of all anticipated emission points associated with Vineyard Northeast can be found in Attachment A.

2.2 Emissions Calculation Methods

2.2.1 Commercial Marine Vessels

Emissions from commercial marine vessels were calculated according to the methodology described in BOEM's *Offshore Wind Energy Facilities Emission Estimating Tool Technical Documentation*, referred to as the "BOEM Wind Tool" (Chang et al. 2017).⁵ The BOEM Wind Tool was developed to provide a consistent approach for estimating emissions associated with proposed offshore wind projects and to ensure consistency in BOEM's environmental review process. When necessary, the BOEM Wind Tool calculation methodology was supplemented with guidance from the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) (2009) *Current Methodologies in Preparing Mobile Source Port-Related Emission Inventories* ("EPA's Port-Related Emission Guidance"), EPA's *2014 National Emission Inventory Technical Support Document* ("2014 NEI"), EPA's *2017 National Emission Inventory Technical Support Document* and supporting commercial marine vessel documentation ("2017 NEI"), and EPA's (2022a) *Ports Emissions Inventory Guidance/Methodologies for Estimating Port-Related and Goods Movement Mobile Source Emissions Report*.

Consistent with the BOEM Wind Tool, vessel air emissions were calculated based on vessels' assumed hours of operation, distance traveled, speed, total number of round trips, engine size, load factor, and emission factor. For each vessel, the following calculations were made:⁶

- Emissions from the main engines while in transit
- Emissions from the main engines while maneuvering
- Emissions from the auxiliary engines while in transit

⁵ An updated version (Version 2.0) of the BOEM Wind Tool was released in 2021 (Chang et al. 2021). Version 2.0 of the BOEM Wind Tool applies the same emission factors to all marine vessel types and engines, which assumes that all vessel engines are Category 2 EPA Tier 1 marine engines. The Proponent believes that the use of marine engine emission factors based on fleet-weighted averages, as presented in Version 1 of the BOEM Wind Tool, is more appropriate given the range of vessel types and sizes expected to be employed during Vineyard Northeast.

⁶ Per EPA's (2018a) 2014 NEI methodology, the emission estimates do not include activity or emissions associated with boilers used to generate steam. Any thermal energy needs (e.g., hot water) on vessels will typically be met using excess heat from the vessel's engines or electric heaters.

- Emissions from the auxiliary engines while maneuvering
- Emission from auxiliary engines while hoteling in port

The basic equation used for each of the calculations above is:

$$E = kW * hours * LF * EF * 1.10231 \times 10^{-6}$$

Where:

- E = total emissions (US tons)
- kW = total engine size (kilowatt [kW])
- $hours$ = duration of each activity (hours)
- LF = engine load factor (unitless)
- EF = emission factor (gram [g]/kW-hour [hr])
- 1.10231×10^{-6} = grams to ton conversion factor

The methods used to determine vessels' engine size, hours of operation, load factor, emission factors, and fuel use are described in the following sections.

2.2.1.1 Engine Size

Vessel engine sizes were determined from specification sheets for actual vessels that may be used during Vineyard Northeast or are closely representative of the types of vessels that are expected to be used. Some vessel specification sheets do not specify the size of auxiliary engines or differentiate between auxiliary engines and main engines. For some ocean-going vessels (OGVs), when only the size of the main engine or total propulsion power was provided, auxiliary engine size was determined using auxiliary engine power ratios from Table 2-4 of EPA's (2009) Port-Related Emission Guidance. In other instances, it was assumed that the smallest engine(s) supplied auxiliary power. For example, the scour protection installation vessel has three 4,500 kW engines, one 1,200 kW engine, and one 429 kW engine. It was assumed that the 1,200 kW and 429 kW engines provide auxiliary power. In diesel-electric vessels, the main engines are used to provide both auxiliary and propulsion power. In these vessels, at low loads, some engines can be shut down to allow others to operate more efficiently (EPA 2009). Consequently, for diesel-electric vessels, it was assumed that one or more of the main engines provides auxiliary power.

2.2.1.2 Hours of Operation

Hours of operation for a vessel's engines while in transit were calculated from the vessel's speed and distance traveled by the vessel. Vessel speeds were obtained from specification sheets for each representative vessel or based on the Proponent's expected operational speed. The Proponent's engineering team provided the number of vessel trips required for each activity based on the anticipated schedule and prior experience. The distance traveled during each trip was determined from the preliminary vessel routes illustrated in Figures B-1

through B-7 of Attachment B.⁷ These preliminary vessel routes were developed based on regions of concentrated commerce traffic (using vessels' Automatic Identification System [AIS] data), taking into consideration traffic separation schemes (TSS), recommended vessel routes, coastal maintained channels, and anchorage areas.⁸ To account for the envelope of possible ports used during construction and operations, the emissions estimate assumes the use of the port with the longest transit distances to and from the Offshore Development Area (within US waters) that may be used for each individual activity, within reason.

For several vessels, additional round trips were included in the number of round trips to/from the Offshore Development Area to account for the vessel's initial trip to a Vineyard Northeast staging port from another port (i.e., mobilization) and final departure from a Vineyard Northeast staging port to another port (i.e., demobilization). This is a conservative approach since the ports in the PDE will likely be the homeports of several harbor craft (e.g., tugs and crew transfer vessels) used for Vineyard Northeast.

Hours of operation for a vessel's engines while maneuvering at the Lease Area or OECCs were based on the expected durations to install each component, which were provided by the Proponent's engineering team. It was assumed that a vessel's engines will provide power for maneuvering activities anytime the vessel is within the Offshore Development Area⁹ and not in transit (except for jack-up vessels' main engines, which will not provide propulsion power while jacked-up). Additional hours spent maneuvering in port were based on typical maneuvering times by vessel type provided in the 2014 NEI¹⁰ (shown below) and the number of round trips.

Table 2.2-1 In-Port Maneuvering Time by Vessel

Vessel Type	Maneuvering Time (hours)
Bulk Carrier	1
Bulk Carrier, Laker	1
Buoy Tender	1.7
Container	1

⁷ For vessels that travel to the OECCs, the distance traveled was conservatively estimated assuming that the vessels travel to the Lease Area.

⁸ These routes are preliminary vessel routes; for each transit, individual vessel captains will need to consider weather, water depths, tides, loading conditions, and visibility before selecting their route to port. Therefore, vessel captains may opt for a different route than those shown in Attachment B. It is expected that vessel traffic routes will continue to be developed throughout the construction planning process and that potentially significant refinements to the routes presented will occur.

⁹ The Offshore Development Area is comprised of Lease Area OCS-A 0522, two OECCs, and the broader region surrounding the offshore facilities that could be affected by Vineyard Northeast-related activities

¹⁰ From EPA's (2018a) *2014 National Emissions Inventory, Version 2 Technical Support Document*, Table 4-111: Estimated Maneuvering Time by Vessel Type. The maneuvering time includes time spent approaching the port and time spent departing from the port.

Table 2.2-1 In-Port Maneuvering Time by Vessel (Continued)

Vessel Type	Maneuvering Time (hours)
Crude Oil Tanker	1.5
General Cargo	1
Liquified Natural Gas Tanker	1
Liquified Petroleum Gas Tanker	1
Miscellaneous	1
Passenger	0.8
Reefer	1
Roll-on/roll-off (RORO)	1
Tanker	1
Tug	1.7
Vehicle Carrier	1

For all vessels, it was assumed that all main engines used for propulsion would not operate while the vessel is dockside per 2014 NEI guidance (EPA 2018a). For vessels equipped with Category 1 and 2 engines (except for some larger Category 2 vessels), it was assumed that neither the propulsion nor auxiliary engines would operate while the vessel was dockside to conserve fuel (EPA 2018a). For vessels equipped with Category 3 and large Category 2 engines, auxiliary engines were assumed to be hoteling any time the vessel is within the US and not in transit or maneuvering.¹¹

2.2.1.3 Load Factors

Load factors are expressed as a percent of the vessel's total propulsion or auxiliary power that is used for a given operational mode (EPA 2009). Load factors for propulsion power can be calculated from the Propeller Law, which is the theory that propulsion power varies by the cube of speed as illustrated by the following equation:

$$LF = (AS/MS)^3$$

¹¹ For EPA Tier 1 and 2 engines, Category 1 marine compression ignition engines are defined as engines with a gross engine power ≥ 37 kW and a displacement <5 liters per cylinder (L/cyl) and Category 2 marine compression ignition engines have a displacement greater ≥ 5 L/cyl and <30 L/cyl. For EPA Tier 3 and 4 engines, Category 1 marine compression ignition engines are defined as engines with a displacement of <7 L/cyl and Category 2 engines are those with displacement ≥ 7 L/cyl and <30 L/cyl. For all Tiers, Category 3 engines are marine engines with a displacement at or above 30 L/cyl.

Where:

- *LF* = load factor
- *AS* = actual speed
- *MS* = maximum speed

Vessels in transit were assumed to operate at cruise speed, which is defined as approximately 94% of maximum speed (EPA 2009). Based on the Propeller Law, for the main (propulsion) engines of vessels operating at 94% of maximum speed, the load factor is 0.83. Consistent with EPA guidance, a load factor of 0.83 was used in the emission estimates for main engines while in transit.

Consistent with the 2014 NEI and the BOEM Wind Tool, a load factor of 0.20 was used for most main (propulsion) engines while maneuvering onsite (EPA 2018a; Chang et al. 2017).¹² However, based on discussions with the Proponent's engineers and vessel suppliers, a load factor of 0.2 underestimates the power required by many vessels that use dynamic positioning (DP) to maintain a precise location within the Offshore Development Area. Fuel consumption rates during DP from vessel specification sheets were used to derive a more conservative load factor for vessel's main engines during DP. See the following example DP load factor calculation for a typical vessel:

Maximum speed: 13 knots

Fuel consumption at 12 knots: 14.5 metric tonne (MT)/day

Fuel consumption in DP mode: 7 MT/day

Using the Propeller Law to calculate the load factor at 12 knots:

$$LF = (AS/MS)^3 = (12/13)^3 = 0.79$$

Using the ratio of fuel consumption at different speeds to determine the load factor during DP:

$$LF \text{ during DP} = 0.79 * (7 \text{ MT per day during DP} / 14.5 \text{ MT per day at 12 knots})$$

$$LF \text{ during DP} = 0.38$$

This calculation was repeated for several vessels to determine an approximate load factor of 0.4 for the main engines during DP operations. This load factor was used for most vessels whose specification sheets suggested that the vessel had a DP system.

¹² According to the 2014 NEI, the propulsion engine load factor of 0.20 is from Entec's European emission inventory (Entec UK Limited. 2002. *Quantification of emissions from ships associated with ship movements between ports in the European Community, European Commission Final Report*). EPA recommends that future National Emission Inventories consider reviewing port inventory data to derive more accurate maneuvering load factors.

According to BOEM, although it is appropriate to use the default vessel profiles provided in the BOEM Wind Tool (which are based on national fleet data), some factors within the BOEM Wind Tool are defaults that serve as placeholders for more accurate information. For example, the auxiliary engine load factor in the BOEM Wind Tool is defaulted to 1. Consequently, the default auxiliary engine load factor was not used. Auxiliary engine load factors for OGVs (typically vessels whose main engines are Category 3 engines) were taken from *Table 2-7: Auxiliary Engine Load Factor Assumptions* of EPA's (2009) Port-Related Emission Guidance, which is shown below. For auxiliary engines in transit, the more conservative reduced speed zone (RSZ) load factor was used, since vessels may operate at speeds slower than cruise speeds. RSZ speed is the maximum safe speed the vessel uses to traverse distances within a waterway leading to a port (less than cruise speed and greater than maneuvering speed). For auxiliary engines maneuvering onsite, the "maneuver" load factor was selected. For vessels equipped with Category 3 and large Category 2 engines, the "hotel" load factor was used for the auxiliary engines while hoteling in port.

Table 2.2-2 EPA Auxiliary Engine Load Factors for Ocean-Going Vessels

Ship Type	Cruise	RSZ	Maneuver	Hotel
Auto Carrier	0.15	0.30	0.45	0.26
Bulk Carrier	0.17	0.27	0.45	0.10
Container Ship	0.13	0.25	0.48	0.19
Cruise Ship	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.64
General Cargo	0.17	0.27	0.45	0.22
Miscellaneous	0.17	0.27	0.45	0.22
OG Tug	0.17	0.27	0.45	0.22
RORO	0.15	0.30	0.45	0.26
Reefer	0.20	0.34	0.67	0.32
Tanker	0.24	0.28	0.33	0.26

Auxiliary engine load factors for harbor craft (typically vessels whose main engines are Category 1 or 2 engines) are from *Table 4 Auxiliary and Boiler Power Surrogates* of the 2017 NEI supporting documentation for vessels with Category 1 and 2 main engines (ERG 2019a). The auxiliary engine load factors are shown in the table below.

Table 2.2-3 2017 NEI Auxiliary Engine Load Factors for Harbor Craft

Vessel Group	Auxiliary Operating Load Factor
Bulk Carrier	0.1
Commercial Fishing	0.43
Container Ship	0.19
Ferry Excursion	0.43
General Cargo	0.22
Government	0.43

Table 2.2-3 2017 NEI Auxiliary Engine Load Factors for Harbor Craft (Continued)

Vessel Group	Auxiliary Operating Load Factor
Miscellaneous	0.43
Offshore support	0.56
Reefer	0.32
RORO	0.26
Tanker	0.26
Tug	0.43
Work Boat	0.43

Specific to the service operation vessel (SOV) used during O&M, load factors were based on historical operational data provided directly from potential SOV suppliers. The assumed load factors are conservatively high compared to records of actual operation for similar projects.

2.2.1.4 Emission Factors

The BOEM Wind Tool contains default vessel characteristics for a variety of vessel types commonly used in offshore wind projects. For each vessel type, the BOEM Wind Tool provides default emission factors for main and auxiliary engines. These default emission factors were developed using Information Handling Service vessel population data, which takes into account typical vessels' country of registration, engine categories, and regulatory tiers (Chang et al. 2017). These vessel profiles were then combined with tier level emission factors from EPA's (2016) *2014 National Emissions Inventory, Version 1 Technical Support Document* to create weighted emission factors for each vessel type (Chang et al. 2017). The BOEM default emission factors for main and auxiliary engines of each vessel type are listed in Tables 2.2-4 and 2.2-5 below.

Table 2.2-4 BOEM Default Emission Factors for Vessel Main Engines

Vessel Type	Vessel Main Engine Emission Factors (g/kW*hr)									
	NO _x	VOC	CO	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	SO ₂	CO ₂	CH ₄	N ₂ O	Pb
AHTS	9.26	0.24	2.16	0.34	0.33	0.08	636.09	0.004	0.03	4.0E-05
Barge	13.61	0.63	1.40	0.45	0.42	0.36	588.90	0.004	0.03	1.2E-05
Cable Laying	9.49	0.25	2.20	0.34	0.33	0.09	635.02	0.004	0.03	3.9E-05
Crew	9.15	0.14	2.30	0.31	0.30	0.01	648.16	0.004	0.03	4.6E-05
Dredging	9.60	0.28	2.13	0.36	0.34	0.11	630.62	0.004	0.03	3.7E-05
Ice Breaker	9.92	0.45	1.78	0.40	0.38	0.23	610.83	0.004	0.03	2.5E-05
Jack-up	10.03	0.14	2.30	0.31	0.30	0.01	647.08	0.004	0.03	4.5E-05
Research/ Survey	9.86	0.22	2.25	0.34	0.33	0.07	638.26	0.004	0.03	4.2E-05
Shuttle Tanker	9.05	0.63	1.40	0.45	0.42	0.36	588.90	0.004	0.03	1.2E-05

Table 2.2-4 BOEM Default Emission Factors for Vessel Main Engines (Continued)

Vessel Type	Vessel Main Engine Emission Factors (g/kW*hr)									
	NO _x	VOC	CO	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	SO ₂	CO ₂	CH ₄	N ₂ O	Pb
Supply Ship	9.44	0.17	2.29	0.32	0.31	0.03	644.58	0.004	0.03	4.5E-05
Tug	9.52	0.18	2.29	0.33	0.32	0.03	643.66	0.004	0.03	4.5E-05

Table 2.2-5 BOEM Default Emission Factors for Vessel Auxiliary Engines

Vessel Type	Vessel Main Engine Emission Factors (g/kW*hr)									
	NO _x	VOC	CO	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	SO ₂	CO ₂	CH ₄	N ₂ O	Pb
AHTS	9.88	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05
Barge	12.57	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05
Cable Laying	9.89	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05
Crew	10.37	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05
Dredging	9.85	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05
Ice Breaker	10.09	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05
Jack-up	11.55	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05
Research/ Survey	10.21	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05
Shuttle Tanker	9.80	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05
Supply Ship	10.43	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05
Tug	10.10	0.14	2.48	0.32	0.31	0.01	648.2	0.004	0.03	4.8E-05

As shown in the following table, each representative vessel used for Vineyard Northeast was assigned to one of the eleven vessel types listed above and the corresponding emissions factors were used.

Table 2.2-6 Assigned Vessel Types

Vineyard Northeast Vessel Type	BOEM Category
AHTS vessel	AHTS
Barge	Barge
Bunkering vessel	Shuttle tanker
Cable laying vessel	Cable laying
CTV	Crew
Dredging vessel	Dredging
HLV	Barge (the most conservative emission factors)
HTV	Supply ship
Jack-up vessels	Jack-up

Table 2.2-6 Assigned Vessel Types (Continued)

Vineyard Northeast Vessel Type	BOEM Category
Scour protection installation vessels	Cable laying (most similar in size and function)
SOV	Cable laying (most similar in size and function)
Support vessel	Cable laying (most similar in size and function)
Survey vessel	Research/Survey
Tugboats	Tug

Emissions of GHGs from commercial marine vessels, which include carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), and nitrous oxide (N₂O), were estimated using the GHG emission factors provided in Tables 2.2-4 and 2.2-5. GHG emissions as CO₂e were then calculated using global warming potential (GWP) factors from the most recent Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Sixth Assessment Report (2021), which provides a GWP of 27.9 for CH₄ (for fossil fuels) and 273 for N₂O. Total CO₂e emissions were calculated using the following equation:

$$E = CH_4 * GWP_{CH_4} + N_2O * GWP_{N_2O} + CO_2$$

Where:

- E = total CO₂e emissions, tons
- CH_4 = total CH₄ emissions, tons
- N_2O = total N₂O emissions, tons
- CO_2 = total CO₂ emissions, tons
- GWP_{CH_4} = GWP for CH₄
- GWP_{N_2O} = GWP for N₂O

The BOEM Wind Tool does not provide emission factors for HAPs emitted from commercial marine vessels. Consequently, HAP emissions were estimated according to the methodology provided in the 2017 NEI supporting documentation for commercial marine vessels (ERG 2019a, 2019b). HAP emissions were estimated by applying speciation profiles to VOC estimates for organic HAPs and PM estimates for metal HAPs. HAPs were calculated as percentages of the PM_{2.5} and VOC emissions from the vessels using the following equation:

$$E = VOC * SF_{VOC} + PM_{2.5} * SF_{PM_{2.5}}$$

Where:

- E = total HAP emissions, tons
- VOC = total VOC emissions, tons
- $PM_{2.5}$ = total $PM_{2.5}$ emissions, tons
- SF_{VOC} = speciation factor for VOC
- $SF_{PM_{2.5}}$ = speciation factor for $PM_{2.5}$

The HAPs speciation profiles were obtained from the 2017 NEI supporting documentation for commercial marine vessels (ERG 2019a, 2019b).

2.2.1.5 Fuel Use

EPA's (2022a) Ports Emissions Inventory Guidance provides brake specific fuel consumption (BSFC) rates for the main and auxiliary engines of OGVs (typically having Category 3 propulsion engines) for various engine types and fuels. According to the 2014 NEI (EPA 2018a) and EPA's (2022a) Ports Emissions Inventory Guidance, the dominant propulsion engine configuration for large Category 3 vessels is the slow-speed diesel engine. Accordingly, a BSFC of 185 g/kw-hr for slow-speed diesel OGV main engines was used for Category 3 propulsion engines.¹³ For Category 3 auxiliary engines, a BSFC of 217 g/kw-hr was used, assuming that these auxiliary engines will fire primarily marine diesel oil (MDO) or marine gas oil (MGO).¹⁴ For Category 1 and 2 propulsion and auxiliary engines, a BSFC of 248 g/kw-hr was used for engines smaller than 37 kW whereas a BSFC of 213 g/kw-hr was used for engines 37 kW or larger.¹⁵

Fuel use was calculated using the following equation:

$$Fuel\ use = BSFC * kW * hours * LF * 7.10\ lb/gal$$

Where:

- $Fuel\ use$ = total fuel used (gallons [gals])
- $BSFC$ = BSFC rate (g/kW-hr)
- kW = total engine size (kW)
- $hours$ = duration of each activity (hours)
- LF = engine load factor (unitless)
- 7.10 (pounds [lb]/gal) = diesel fuel density

¹³ From EPA's (2022a) Ports Emissions Inventory Guidance "Table 3.6. Category 3 Vessel BSFC Rates (g/kWh)."

¹⁴ From EPA's (2022a) Ports Emissions Inventory Guidance "Table 3.6. Category 3 Vessel BSFC Rates (g/kWh)."

¹⁵ From EPA's (2022a) Ports Emissions Inventory Guidance "Table 4.3. Category 1 and 2 BSFC Rates (g/kWh)."

Total fuel use was calculated separately for emissions from the main engines while in transit, the main engines while maneuvering, the auxiliary engines while maneuvering, the auxiliary engines while in transit, and the auxiliary engines while hoteling.

2.2.2 Offshore Generators

It was assumed that a portable, temporary ~250 kW diesel generator would be used for 10 days (24 hours per day) on each WTG at 100% load during construction and commissioning. The WTGs will include a battery system that will provide backup power during O&M.¹⁶

It was assumed that the ESP(s) will collectively require five ~500 kW generators and the booster station would require three ~500 kW generators to provide backup power to critical systems. These backup generators would operate for emergencies and reliability testing during O&M. Emergencies include unplanned loss of grid power or a failure of the offshore cable system that requires an ESP or the booster station to be disconnected from external power (either from onshore or the WTGs). It was assumed that the back-up generators would operate for approximately 500 hours per year during O&M (for reliability testing and emergency usage). However, given the unplanned and unpredictable nature of an emergency, it is impossible to predict with accuracy how long these back-up generators would need to operate in an emergency.

In addition, the back-up generators on the ESP(s) and booster station will likely be used to provide power for installation and commissioning activities until the ESP(s) and booster station can be connected to the electrical grid (although this power could come from other generators of similar size). It was assumed that during construction, the generators will operate for about four months, approximately 50% of the time.

It is anticipated that the generators located on the WTGs, ESP(s), and booster station will be required to meet or exceed EPA's highest applicable marine engine emission standards at 40 CFR Part 1042 and use ultra-low sulfur diesel (ULSD) with a maximum sulfur content of 15 parts per million (ppm). Thus, emissions from the generators located on the WTGs, ESP(s), and booster station were estimated based on the most stringent EPA marine engine emission standard applicable for each engine size (i.e., EPA Tier 3 marine engine emission standards for engines less than 600 kW and EPA Tier 4 marine engine emission standards for engines greater than or equal to 600 kW). It was assumed that the engines would fire ULSD with a maximum

¹⁶ In the unlikely event of a failure of the WTG's backup power system or some other unforeseen issue (e.g., loss of connection to the grid for an extended period), portable diesel generators may be temporarily placed on a WTG (or alternatively on a support vessel) during O&M to supply backup power. These generators would be necessary to maintain safety systems (e.g., aviation obstruction lights, marine navigation lights, electrical cooling and dehumidification systems) and to yaw the WTG's rotor nacelle assembly during adverse weather.

sulfur content of 15 ppm. The fuel usage rate for each generator was determined from equipment specification sheets for diesel generators that are representative of the type of generators that will be used for Vineyard Northeast.

The following hydrocarbon (HC) + NO_x, CO, and PM emission factors were used to estimate emissions from the generators.

Table 2.2-7 Assumed EPA Marine Engine Emission Standards

Generator	EPA Marine Engine Standard	Emission Factors (g/kW*hr)		
		HC + NO _x	CO	PM
Temporary Generator on WTG (~250 kW)	EPA Tier 3 (for Category 1 Engines with 0.9 ≤ disp. < 1.2 and power density ≤ 35 kW/L)	5.4	5.0	0.12
Permanent Generator on ESP (~500 kW)	EPA Tier 3 (for Category 1 Engines <600 kW with 2.5 ≤ disp. < 3.5 and power density ≤ 35 kW/L)	5.6	5.0	0.10

Note:

1. "Disp." = Displacement in liters per cylinder.

It was estimated that NO_x is 97.6% and VOC is 2.4% of HC + NO_x based on the Vineyard Wind 1 and South Fork Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Air Permits. For all generators, based on guidance from EPA's (2010a) *Exhaust and Crankcase Emission Factor for Nonroad Engine Modeling - Compression Ignition Report*, it was assumed that 100% of PM is PM₁₀ and 97% of PM is PM_{2.5}.

SO₂ emissions from the generators were calculated using the following mass balance equation based on the consumption of diesel fuel containing 15 ppm sulfur with a fuel density of 7.1 lb/gal and assuming 100% conversion of sulfur to SO₂ (a 2:1 mass ratio of SO₂ to sulfur):

$$SO_2 \text{ (tons)} = \text{fuel use (gal)} * 7.1 \text{ lb/gal diesel fuel} * (0.000015 \text{ lb S/lb diesel fuel}) * 64 \text{ lb SO}_2 / 32 \text{ lb S} * 0.0005 \text{ ton/lb}$$

CO₂ emission factors were based on the default Distillate Fuel No. 2 CO₂ emission factor (73.96 kg CO₂/metric million British thermal unit [MMBtu]) and higher heating value (HHV) of 0.138 MMBtu/gal from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-1.¹⁷ CH₄ and N₂O emission factors were based on default CH₄ and N₂O emission factors for petroleum from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-2¹⁸ and the default Distillate Fuel No. 2 HHV from 40 CFR Part 98.

GHG emissions (as CO₂e) from the generators were calculated using GWP emission factors provided in IPCC's Sixth Assessment Report (2021) following the same methodology described for commercial marine vessels (see Section 2.2.1.4).

HAP emission factors for generators smaller than 447 kW (600 horsepower [hp]) were based on the HAP emission factors for small uncontrolled stationary diesel engines from AP-42.¹⁹ For generators larger than 447 kW (600 hp), the HAP emission factors were based on the emission factors for large uncontrolled stationary diesel engines from AP-42.²⁰ For all generators, the HAP emission factors in lb/MMBtu were converted to lb/gal using the default HHV for Distillate No. 2 Fuel Oil from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-1. These lb/gal emission factors were multiplied by the total fuel use of each generator to determine total emissions of HAPs. Pb emissions from engines firing ULSD were assumed to be negligible.

2.2.3 Other Offshore Construction Equipment

Various construction equipment may be used aboard vessels as well as on the WTGs, ESP(s), and booster station during construction and operation of Vineyard Northeast. The assumptions used to estimate emissions from major offshore construction equipment (e.g., pile driving hammer engines, air compressors, motion compensation platform engines, winches, etc.) are described below, followed by a discussion of the emission factors used for the construction equipment.

¹⁷ From 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-1: Default CO₂ Emission Factors and High Heat Values for Various Types of Fuel.

¹⁸ From 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-2: Default CH₄ and N₂O Emission Factors for Various Types of Fuel.

¹⁹ The HAP emission factor for small uncontrolled stationary diesel engines is the sum of emission factors listed in AP-42 from Table 3.3-2: Speciated Organic Compound Emission Factors for Uncontrolled Diesel Engines; Table 1.3-10: Emission Factors for Trace Elements from Distillate Fuel Oil Combustion Sources; and Table 3.1-5: Emission Factors for Metallic Hazardous Air Pollutants from Distillate Oil-Fired Stationary Gas Turbines.

²⁰ The HAP emission factor for large uncontrolled stationary diesel engines is the sum of emission factors listed in AP-42 from Table 1.3-10: Emission Factors for Trace Elements from Distillate Fuel Oil Combustion Sources; Table 3.4-3: Speciated Organic Compound Emission Factors for Large Uncontrolled Stationary Diesel Engines; Table 3.4-4: PAH Emission Factors for Large Uncontrolled Stationary Diesel Engines; and Table 3.1-5: Emission Factors for Metallic Hazardous Air Pollutants from Distillate Oil-Fired Stationary Gas Turbines.

Pile Driving Hammer Engines

It was conservatively assumed that three ESPs and one booster station will have 18 jacket piles each and that 157 WTGs will have four jacket piles each, which provides the maximum number of piles that may be driven for Vineyard Northeast. For each foundation jacket pile, it was assumed that pile driving would take approximately six hours to achieve the target penetration depth (including time to power up and power down the hammer engines). It was conservatively assumed that the pile driving hammer engines would operate at 100% load.

Engine size and fuel usage were determined from the equipment specification sheet of a diesel engine that is representative of the type of engine used for pile driving. Based on the specification sheet, it was assumed that three ~747 kW engines will power the pile driving hammer. As described below, emissions from the engines used to power the hydraulic pile driving hammer were estimated based on a Tier 2 marine diesel engine burning fuel with a sulfur content of 1,000 ppm.

Air Compressors

The air compressors that may be used for noise mitigation devices (e.g., bubble curtains) were assumed to operate for seven hours per pile driven. Engine size and fuel usage were determined from the equipment specification sheet of a diesel air compressor that is representative of the type of compressor typically used for noise mitigation in offshore wind projects. As discussed further below, emissions from the air compressors were estimated based on a Tier 2 marine compression ignition engine burning fuel with a sulfur content of 1,000 ppm.

Motion Compensation Platform Engines

Depending on the type of transport vessel used, the WTGs or foundation components may need to be held by a motion compensation platform during lifting operations. During the lift of the foundation or WTG, the motion compensation platform compensates for the vessel's roll, pitch, and heave motions.

For the air emissions estimates, it was assumed that the transition pieces will be delivered to the Lease Area using vessels that employ a motion compensation platform. For each transition piece, it was conservatively estimated that the motion compensation platform's engines would operate for two hours at 100% load to hold the transition piece steady for lifting operations.

Engine size and fuel usage were determined from the equipment specification sheet of a typical diesel engine that could be used to power a motion compensation platform. It was assumed that three ~510 kW engines will power the motion compensation platform. Emissions from the engines used to power the motion compensation platform were estimated based on a Tier 2 marine engine burning fuel with a sulfur content of 1,000 ppm.

Winches

Winches will likely be used to pull offshore cables into the ESP(s), booster station, and WTGs. For winching operations, it was assumed that an ~4 kW generator would operate at 100% load for eight hours at each foundation. Engine size and fuel usage were determined from the equipment specification sheet of a typical diesel engine that could be used to power a winch. As described further below, emissions were estimated based on a Tier 2 marine engine burning fuel with a sulfur content of 1,000 ppm.

Cable Landing Tensioner

A cable tensioner may be used aboard a vessel to pull the offshore export cables through conduits installed at the landfall sites. It was assumed that a cable tensioner would operate for 45 hours at 100% load for each cable pull-in operation. Engine size and fuel usage were determined from the equipment specification sheet of a typical diesel engine that could be used to power a cable tensioner. As discussed below, emissions from the ~90 kW engine used to power the tensioner were estimated based on a Tier 2 marine engine burning fuel with a sulfur content of 1,000 ppm.

Cable Landing Excavator

Assuming HDD is used at the landfall sites, to facilitate offshore export cable pull-in, an offshore exit pit will be excavated likely using an offshore excavator aboard a vessel (other methods that may be used include controlled flow excavation, etc.). It was conservatively assumed that an ~258 kW excavator would operate at 100% load for 27 hours per cable. Engine size and fuel usage were determined from the equipment specification sheet of a typical excavator. As discussed below, emissions from the excavator's engines were estimated based on a Tier 2 marine engine burning fuel with a sulfur content of 1,000 ppm.

Cable Landing Generator

In addition to a tensioner and excavator, a generator may be used to perform cable pull-in operations at the landfall sites. It was assumed that an ~283 kW generator would operate for 72 hours at 100% load for each offshore export cable. Fuel usage was determined from the equipment specification sheet of representative diesel generator. As discussed below, emissions from the generator's engines were estimated based on a Tier 2 marine engine burning fuel with a sulfur content of 1,000 ppm.

Shallow Water Burial Tool

A specialty cable installation tool may be used to install the offshore export cables in shallow waters. It was assumed that a shallow water burial tool would operate for 165 hours per cable at 100% load. Based on the specification sheet of a representative shallow water burial tool, it

was assumed that two ~410 kW engines would power the burial tool. Emissions from the burial tool's engines were estimated based on a Tier 2 marine engine burning fuel with a sulfur content of 1,000 ppm.

Table 2.2-8 Assumed EPA Emission Standards

Engine	EPA Engine Standard ¹	Emission Factors (g/kW*hr)		
		HC + NOx	CO	PM
Pile Driving Hammer Engine (~747 kW)	EPA Tier 2 Marine Engine (for Category 1 Engines with 1.2 ≤ disp. < 5.0)	7.2	5.0	0.20
Air Compressor (~399 kW)	EPA Tier 2 Marine Engine (for Category 1 Engines with 1.2 ≤ disp. < 5.0)	7.2	5.0	0.20
Motion Compensation System Platform Engine (~510 kW)	EPA Tier 2 Marine Engine (for Category 1 Engines with 1.2 ≤ disp. < 5.0)	7.2	5.0	0.20
Winch Engine (~4 kW)	EPA Tier 2 Marine Engine (for kW < 8)	7.5 ²	8.0	0.80
Tensioner Engine (~90 kW)	EPA Tier 2 Marine Engine (for Category 1 Engines with 0.9 ≤ disp. < 1.2)	7.2	5.0	0.30
Excavator Engine (~258 kW)	EPA Tier 2 Marine Engine (for Category 1 Engines with 1.2 ≤ disp. < 5.0)	7.2	5.0	0.20
Cable Landing Generator (~283 kW)	EPA Tier 2 Marine Engine (for Category 1 Engines with 1.2 ≤ disp. < 5.0)	7.2	5.0	0.20
Shallow Water Burial Tool Engine (~410 kW)	EPA Tier 2 Marine Engine (for Category 1 Engines with 1.2 ≤ disp. < 5.0)	7.2	5.0	0.20

Notes:

1. "Disp." = Displacement in liters per cylinder.
2. NMHC + NOx emission standard.

It was conservatively estimated that NOx is 97.6% and VOC is 2.4% of HC + NOx or non-methane hydrocarbon (NMHC) + NOx based on the Vineyard Wind 1 and South Fork OCS Air Permits. Based on guidance from EPA's (2010a) *Exhaust and Crankcase Emission Factor for Nonroad Engine Modeling - Compression Ignition Report*, it was assumed that 100% of PM is PM₁₀ and 97% of PM is PM_{2.5}.

SO₂ emission factors were developed using a mass balance based on the consumption of diesel fuel containing 1,000 ppm sulfur, a fuel density of 7.1 lb/gal, and a 2:1 mass ratio of SO₂ to sulfur. Total tons of SO₂ were calculated using the same equation as described for the offshore generators (see Section 2.2.2).

CO₂ emission factors were based on the default Distillate Fuel No. 2 CO₂ emission factor (73.96 kg CO₂/MMBtu) and HHV (0.138 MMBtu/gal) from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-1.²¹ CH₄ and N₂O emission factors were based on default CH₄ and N₂O emission factors for petroleum from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-2²² and the default Distillate Fuel No. 2 HHV from 40 CFR Part 98. GHG emissions as CO₂e were calculated using GWP emission factors using the same methodology as described for commercial marine vessels (see Section 2.2.1.4).

The Pb and HAP emission factors for the pile driving hammer engines and motion compensation platform engines were based on the Pb and HAP emission factors for large (greater than 600 hp) uncontrolled stationary diesel engines from AP-42.²³ The Pb and HAP emission factors for the remaining construction equipment were based on the Pb and HAP emission factors for small (less than 600 hp) uncontrolled stationary diesel engines from AP-42.²⁴ The Pb and HAP emission factors in lb/MMBtu were converted to lb/gal using the default HHV for Distillate No. 2 Fuel Oil from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-1. These lb/gal emission factors were multiplied by the total fuel use of the offshore construction equipment to determine total emissions of Pb and HAPs.

²¹ Distillate Fuel Oil No. 2 HHV and CO₂ Emission Factor are from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-1: Default CO₂ Emission Factors and High Heat Values for Various Types of Fuel.

²² Default CH₄ and N₂O emission factors are from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-2: Default CH₄ and N₂O Emission Factors for Various Types of Fuel

²³ The HAP emission factor for large uncontrolled stationary diesel engines is the sum of emission factors listed in AP-42 from Table 1.3-10: Emission Factors for Trace Elements from Distillate Fuel Oil Combustion Sources; Table 3.4-3: Speciated Organic Compound Emission Factors for Large Uncontrolled Stationary Diesel Engines; Table 3.4-4: PAH Emission Factors for Large Uncontrolled Stationary Diesel Engines; and Table 3.1-5: Emission Factors for Metallic Hazardous Air Pollutants from Distillate Oil-Fired Stationary Gas Turbines. The Pb emission factor is from Table 3.1-5: Emission Factors for Metallic Hazardous Air Pollutants from Distillate Oil-Fired Stationary Gas Turbines.

²⁴ The HAP emission factor for small uncontrolled stationary diesel engines is the sum of emission factors listed in AP-42 from Table 3.3-2: Speciated Organic Compound Emission Factors for Uncontrolled Diesel Engines; Table 1.3-10: Emission Factors for Trace Elements from Distillate Fuel Oil Combustion Sources; and Table 3.1-5: Emission Factors for Metallic Hazardous Air Pollutants from Distillate Oil-Fired Stationary Gas Turbines. The Pb emission factor is from Table 3.1-5: Emission Factors for Metallic Hazardous Air Pollutants from Distillate Oil-Fired Stationary Gas Turbines.

2.2.4 Helicopters

Air emissions from helicopters were calculated using the BOEM Wind Tool methodology. All helicopters for Vineyard Northeast were assumed to be medium-sized twin-engine helicopters. Emissions from helicopters were calculated based on the following equation:

$$E = \text{hours} * EF * 0.0005$$

Where:

- E = total emissions (US tons)
- hours = total hours in flight
- EF = emission factor (lb/hr)
- 0.0005 = pounds to ton conversion factor

Total hours in flight were based on the total distance each helicopter is expected to travel to the Lease Area and the BOEM Wind Tool default speed (183 miles [mi] per hour) for twin medium helicopters. Approximate distances traveled by the helicopters are provided in Attachment B. The emission estimates used the following emission factors for twin-medium helicopters from the BOEM Wind Tool.

Table 2.2-9 BOEM Default Emission Factors for Twin-Medium Helicopters

Helicopter Type	Helicopter Emission Factors (lb/hr)									
	NO _x	VOC	CO	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	SO ₂	CO ₂	CH ₄	N ₂ O	PB
Twin Medium	7.22	3.02	3.48	0.2031	0.1982	0.78	2459.9	0.07	0.08	0

Since the BOEM Wind Tool does not provide emission factors for HAPs, HAP emissions from helicopters were estimated using a similar methodology used to estimate HAP emissions from vessels (see Section 2.2.1.4). HAP emissions were estimated by applying speciation profiles to the VOC estimates for organic HAPs and PM₁₀ estimates for metal HAPs. The HAP speciation profile for helicopters was created using HAPs, VOC, and PM emission factors for distillate oil-fired stationary gas turbines found in AP-42 Chapter 3.1 Tables 3.1-2a, 3.1-4 and 3.1-5.

GHG emissions as CO₂e from helicopters were calculated using the same methodology described for commercial marine vessels (see Section 2.2.1.4).

Fuel use from helicopters was calculated using the default fuel consumption rate for twin medium helicopters provided in the BOEM Wind Tool. The default fuel usage rate (117 gal/hr) was multiplied by the total hours in flight to determine the total quantity of fuel used.

2.2.5 Onshore Non-Road Engines

Emissions from non-road engines in onshore construction equipment (e.g., cranes, excavators, drilling rigs, etc.) were calculated using EPA's Motor Vehicle Emission Simulator, MOVES2014b. Emission factors from MOVES2014b were used to calculate emissions for each pollutant (NO_x, VOC, CO, PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, SO₂, CO₂, CH₄, and HAPs²⁵). To calculate emission factors and fuel consumption rates for onshore activities, a run was completed for a weekday in August 2022. Air emissions from non-road equipment were primarily calculated based on each equipment's hours of operation and emission factor using the following equation:

$$E = \text{hours} * LF * EF * 1.10231 \times 10^{-6}$$

Where:

- E = total emissions (US tons)
- $hours$ = duration of each activity (hours)
- LF = engine load factor (unitless)
- EF = emission factor (g/hr)
- 1.10231×10^{-6} = grams to ton conversion factor

For some equipment, air emissions from non-road equipment were calculated based on hours of operation, engine size, load factor, and emission factor using the following equation:

$$E = kW * hours * LF * EF * 1.10231 \times 10^{-6}$$

Where:

- E = total emissions (US tons)
- kW = total engine size (kW)
- $hours$ = duration of each activity (hours)
- LF = engine load factor (unitless)
- EF = emission factor (g/kW-hr)
- 1.10231×10^{-6} = grams to ton conversion factor

GHG emissions (as CO₂e) from vehicles were calculated using GWP emission factors provided in IPCC's Sixth Assessment Report (2021) following the same methodology described for commercial marine vessels (see Section 2.2.1.4).

²⁵ MOVES2014b provides emission factors for individual HAPs, which were summed together.

Load factors were from EPA's (2010b) *Median Life, Annual Activity, and Load Factor Values for Nonroad Engine Emissions Modeling*. Activity types and hours of operation were largely based on inputs from the Proponent's engineers. Key assumptions used to estimate non-road emissions for Vineyard Northeast are listed in the table below for each onshore activity. These calculations can be found in Attachment B.

Table 2.2-10 Key Assumptions for Non-Road Engine Onshore Activities

Onshore Activity	Assumptions
Onshore port activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Each foundation will take approximately six hours of crane operations to offload and load onto a vessel. ○ Each WTG will take approximately 14 hours of crane operations to offload and load onto a vessel. ○ Offloading and loading of offshore cables onto vessels will take approximately two 24-hour days per vessel round trip. • During O&M: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A crane will be used for approximately one 24-hour day each time the WTG repair support vessel transits to port.
All onshore construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typical work hours for installation of the onshore cables will be 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM (11-hour days). Typical work hours at the landfall sites will be 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM (12-hour days). • All equipment will use ultra-low-sulfur diesel (ULSD). • Concrete trucks have a capacity of 7 m³ (9.5 cubic yards) and take two hours per load, including travel.
Trench, conduit, duct bank, and splice vault installation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The maximum length of the Massachusetts onshore cable route is ~39 kilometers (km) (24 mi). The maximum length of the Connecticut onshore cable route is ~23 km (14 mi). • The maximum cross-sectional area of the duct bank trench is approximately 26 square meters (m²) (275 square feet [ft²]). • The maximum duct bank cross sectional area is ~4.6 m² (~50 ft²). • The maximum cross-sectional area of the pit excavated for splice vaults is ~80 m² (~860 ft²). The maximum length is ~15 meters (m) (~50 feet [ft]). • On average, onshore construction (trenching, duct bank installation, concrete pouring, etc.) will occur a rate of ~35 m (~115 ft) per day.¹ • There will be splice vaults every ~150 m (~500 ft).² • Each splice vault will take approximately one hour to place by crane.

Table 2.2-10 Key Assumptions for Non-Road Engine Onshore Activities (Continued)

Onshore Activity	Assumptions
Cable delivery, pulling, splicing, and termination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cable pulling will take approximately 470 days for both the Massachusetts and Connecticut onshore cable routes combined. • Cable splicing and termination will take approximately 870 days for both the Massachusetts and Connecticut onshore cable routes combined.
Construction at the landfall sites and other trenchless crossings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set up of the drilling rigs will take approximately two weeks (six 12-hour workdays per week) per landfall site/trenchless crossing. • Drilling at the landfall site/trenchless crossing will require approximately six weeks (six 12-hour workdays per week) per cable conduit. • Dismantling the drilling rigs will take approximately one week (six 12-hour workdays per week) per landfall site/trenchless crossing.
Onshore substation construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearing/grading each onshore substation site will take approximately two months. • Overall, construction and commissioning of each onshore substation will take approximately 33 months. • Each onshore substation will include concrete pad(s) ~2,787 m² (30,000 ft²) in size and 0.2 m (0.7 ft) thick and each substation will have ~4,000 m² (1.0 acre) of internal gravel roadways of the same thickness.

Notes:

1. Onshore construction is typically expected to proceed at an average rate of approximately 24 to 61 m (80 to 200 ft) per day depending on a number of factors including existing utility density.
2. Onshore cables typically require splices approximately every 150-610 m (500-2,000 ft) or more.

2.2.6 On-Road Vehicles

NO_x, VOC, CO, and PM_{2.5} emissions from on-road vehicles (passenger cars, light-duty trucks, and heavy-duty trucks) were calculated using emission factors for the year 2024 from the Bureau of Transportation Statistics' (2021) "Table 4-43 Estimated U.S. Average Vehicle emissions Rates per Vehicle by Vehicle Type Using Gasoline and Diesel." These emission factors are generated from EPA's MOTO Vehicle Emission Simulator (MOVES3). PM₁₀ was estimated from PM_{2.5}, assuming a PM₁₀ to PM_{2.5} ratio of 1.130 for gasoline and 1.087 for diesel based on the MOVES Speciation Report (EPA 2020).

SO₂ emissions factors were calculated using the following mass balance equation based on fuel sulfur content, fuel density, and fuel economy, and assuming 100% conversion of sulfur to SO₂ (a 2:1 mass ratio of SO₂ to sulfur):

$$EF_{SO_2} = \text{fuel sulfur}/1,000,000 * \text{fuel density}/\text{MPG} * 64 \text{ lb } SO_2/32 \text{ lb S} * 453.592$$

Where:

- EF_{SO_2} = SO₂ emission factor (g/mile)
- *fuel sulfur* = fuel sulfur content (15 ppm for diesel and 10 ppm for gasoline)
- *fuel density* = 7.1 lb/gal for diesel and 6.2 lb/gal for gasoline
- *MPG* = fuel economy (mi/gal)
- 453.592 = pounds to gram conversion factor

CO₂ emission factors for diesel-fired vehicles were based on the default Distillate Fuel No. 2 CO₂ emission factor (70.22 kg CO₂/MMBtu) and HHV (0.125 MMBtu/gal) from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-1.²⁶ CO₂ emission factors for gas-fired vehicles were based on the default motor gasoline CO₂ emission factor (73.96 kg CO₂/MMBtu) and HHV (0.138 MMBtu/gal) from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-1. For both diesel and gas-fired vehicles, CH₄ and N₂O emission factors were based on default CH₄ and N₂O emission factors for petroleum from 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-2²⁷ and the default Distillate Fuel No. 2 HHV from 40 CFR Part 98. Pb and HAP emissions were assumed to be negligible.

GHG emissions (as CO₂e) from vehicles were calculated using GWP emission factors provided in IPCC's Sixth Assessment Report (2021) following the same methodology described for commercial marine vessels (see Section 2.2.1.4).

Air emissions from on-road vehicles were then calculated based on the above emission factors and the distance each vehicle is expected to travel using the following equation:

$$E = \text{miles} * EF * 1.10231 \times 10^{-6}$$

Where:

- E = total emissions (US tons)
- *miles* = total distance traveled (mi)
- EF = emission factor (g/mile)
- 1.10231×10^{-6} = grams to ton conversion factor

The number of round trips taken by workers' personal vehicles was based on the duration of each activity. The number of round trips taken by delivery vehicles and dump trucks was based on the quantity of materials requiring transport. These calculations can be found in Attachment B. Key assumptions used to generate on-road emission estimates are listed in the table below for each onshore construction and O&M activity.

²⁶ From 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-1: Default CO₂ Emission Factors and High Heat Values for Various Types of Fuel.

²⁷ From 40 CFR Part 98 Table C-2: Default CH₄ and N₂O Emission Factors for Various Types of Fuel.

Table 2.2-11 Key Assumptions for On-Road Vehicles

Onshore Activity	Assumptions
Onshore port activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During construction and O&M, there will be 25 port workers who will commute on average 24 km (15 mi) each way.¹
All onshore construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workers will commute on average 24 km (15 mi) each way.¹ • Vehicles will not idle. • Dump trucks have a capacity of 15 m³ (20 cubic yards) and travel 48 km (30 mi) each way.
Trench, conduit, duct bank, and splice vault installation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All dirt and pavement will be hauled away as it is excavated. • All backfill will be delivered by dump truck. • Conduits will be delivered on one flatbed truck per day. • Installation of the onshore cables will require a 20-man crew.
Cable delivery, pulling, splicing, and termination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cable pulling will take approximately 470 days for both the Massachusetts and Connecticut onshore cable routes combined. • Cable splicing and termination will take approximately 870 days for both the Massachusetts and Connecticut onshore cable routes combined. • Cable delivery, pulling, splicing, and termination will require two heavy-duty support trucks and two crew trucks.
Construction at the landfall sites and other trenchless crossings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction at the landfall sites and at other trenchless crossings will require a 20-person crew.
Onshore substation construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Onshore substation construction will require one truck delivery per day. • Onshore substation construction will require a 20-person crew.
Onshore O&M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each day, 20 O&M workers will commute to port on average 24 km (15 mi) each way.¹ • Onshore substation inspections will be carried out weekly.

Note:

1. Bureau of Transportation Statistics (2003).

2.2.7 Construction Dust

Particulate emissions estimates from onshore construction activities were calculated according to the methodology provided in EPA's *AP-42, Chapter 13.2.3: Heavy Construction Operation*. Particulate emissions are proportional to the size of the construction area and level of construction activity. PM₁₀ emissions from onshore cable installation, landfall site activities, and onshore substation construction were estimated using the following equation:

$$E = 1.2 * months * acres$$

Where:

- E = total PM₁₀ emissions (US tons)
- $months$ = duration of activity (months)
- $acres$ = area of construction (acres)
- 1.2 = emission factor (tons PM/acre*month)

To estimate onshore construction dust emissions, it was assumed that each 35 m (115 ft) section of trench will be an active construction site for two days, the total onshore substation construction area will be ~0.12 km² (~30 acres), and each landfall site or trenchless crossing construction staging area will be approximately 0.0045 km² (1.1 acres).

According to AP-42 Section 13.2.3.3, the emission factor of 1.2 tons/acre*month will result in conservatively high estimates of PM₁₀ and “may result in too high an estimate for PM₁₀ to be of much use for a specific site under consideration.” While AP-42 Chapter 13.2.3 recommends estimating construction particulate emissions by breaking down the construction process into component operations using *Table 13.2.3-1: Recommended Emission Factors for Construction Operations* instead, the emission factors and equations provided in the table require specific information beyond what is currently available for Vineyard Northeast. It was conservatively estimated that 100% of PM₁₀ from construction dust is PM_{2.5}.

PM emissions from miscellaneous operations offshore, such as sanding or grinding, are expected to be trivial.

2.2.8 Fugitive Emissions

During construction, it was conservatively estimated that 1 ton per year of VOCs would be emitted from fugitive emissions of solvents, paints, coatings, and diesel fuel storage/transfer. During O&M, it was assumed that there would be fugitive emissions from the use of 303 liters (80 gals) of marine paint for touch-ups each year. The VOC emission rate was based on the product information sheet for White Ketamine Marine Primer, which had the highest VOC content from a selection of several marine coatings material sheets.²⁸ Fugitive emissions from kitchen and sanitary facilities on vessels are expected to be trivial.

Emissions of SF₆, which will be used to insulate electrical equipment on the WTGs, ESP(s), booster station, and at the onshore substations, were conservatively estimated based on the storage capacity of SF₆ within the equipment and an annual leak rate of 1%.²⁹ The Proponent’s engineers indicated that there would be up to approximately 25 kg (55 lb) of SF₆ on each WTG,

²⁸ Cardinal White Ketamine Marine Primer from <http://www.cardinalpaint.com/assets/TDS/7M90-10-tds.pdf>.

²⁹ In Massachusetts, an annual leak rate of 1% is the maximum allowable SF₆ emission rate per 310 CMR 7.72(5)(a).

7,210 kg (15,895 lb) on each ESP, and 2,630 kg (5,798 lb) on the booster station. It was assumed that the onshore substations would contain a total of 93,419 kg (205,953 lb) of SF₆. GHG emissions of SF₆ as CO₂e were calculated using a GWP of 25,200 from IPCC's Sixth Assessment Report (2021). SF₆ calculations are provided in Attachment C.

3 Summary of Potential Emissions

Table 3-1 provides an estimate of emissions within the US (onshore and offshore) from the construction of Vineyard Northeast. These construction emissions were assumed to be distributed over a three-year period.

Table 3-1 Potential Emissions from Construction of Vineyard Northeast

	NOx	VOCs	CO	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	SO ₂	HAPs	CO _{2e}
Year 1 construction emissions (US tons)	61	3	25	37	37	0.1	1	49,148
Year 2 construction emissions (US tons)	10,867	246	2,569	408	394	83	35	772,393
Year 3 construction emissions (US tons)	6,436	144	1,514	222	214	50	20	451,018

Table 3-2 provides an estimate of potential emissions from the O&M of Vineyard Northeast, including an estimate of air emissions for a typical year of operation (for planned, routine O&M activities) as well as an estimate of the maximum annual operational air emissions (assuming several repair activities occur all within the same year).

Table 3-2 Potential Emissions from Operation of Vineyard Northeast

	NOx	VOCs	CO	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	SO ₂	HAPs	CO _{2e}
Operational emissions, typical year (US tons per year)	591	11	153	20	19	2.1	1.6	74,810
Operational emissions, maximum year (US tons per year)	773	14	196	26	25	2.6	2.2	86,780

Most of the air emissions from the construction and operation of Vineyard Northeast will occur offshore within the Lease Area, OECCs, and surrounding waters. Only a limited proportion of the emissions reported in Tables 3-1 and 3-2 will occur at ports. Table 3-3 quantifies the subset of emissions that could occur within 5.6 km (3 NM) of the ports used during the construction and operation of Vineyard Northeast. Due to the uncertainty regarding the combination of ports that may be used for Vineyard Northeast, it is conservatively assumed that these estimated construction and operational emissions could all occur at one port (in a maximum case scenario) or be spread amongst several of the ports identified in Sections 3.10.1 and 4.4.1 of COP Volume I.

Table 3-3 Estimated Air Emissions from Activities in Port

	NO_x	VOCs	CO	PM₁₀	PM_{2.5}	SO₂	HAPs	CO_{2e}
Total Port-Related Emissions¹								
Total port-related construction emissions (US tons)	605	10	148	20	19	1.1	2	41,476
Total port-related operational emissions, maximum year (US tpy)	37	0.6	10	1.2	1.1	0.1	0.1	2,501

Note:

1. Includes emissions from onshore equipment and vehicles at a port as well as emissions from vessels hoteling, maneuvering, and transiting within 5.6 km (3 NM) of a port.

4 Avoided Emissions and Avoided Social Cost of GHGs

Vineyard Northeast will produce clean, renewable offshore wind energy that is expected to displace electricity generated by fossil fuel power plants. To quantify the NO_x, SO₂, CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, and total GHG (reported as CO₂e) emissions associated with conventional power generation that would be avoided due to Vineyard Northeast, the following equation was used:

$$AE_i = EF_i * PG * 8,760 \text{ hr/year} * CF * (1 - TLF) * 0.0005 \text{ ton/lb}$$

Where:

- AE_i = annual avoided emissions for pollutant i (tons)
- EF_i = eGRID avoided emission factor for pollutant i (lb/megawatt [MW]-hr)
- PG = total rated peak power generation (MW)
- CF = capacity factor
- TLF = transmission loss factor

The avoided emissions analysis uses the Northeast Power Coordinating Council (NPCC) New England annual non-baseload output emission rates from EPA's (2023) Emissions & Generation Resource Integrated Database (eGRID2021)^{30,31} shown in Table 4-1.

Table 4-1 eGRID Avoided Emission Factors (lb/MW-hr)

Pollutant	NO _x	SO ₂	CO ₂	CH ₄	N ₂ O	CO ₂ e
eGRID avoided emission factor (lb/MW-hr)	0.411	0.130	900	0.073	0.009	905

The analysis is based on the minimum nameplate capacity for the entire Lease Area and assumes an annual capacity factor³² of 50%. The export cables may be 320-525 kilovolt (kV) high voltage direct current (HVDC) cables and/or 220-345 kV HVAC cables (for the Massachusetts OECC only). Given that HVAC export cables are expected to have greater transmission losses than HVDC export cables, the avoided emissions analysis conservatively assumed a transmission loss factor based on the use of 220 kV HVAC cables for all export

³⁰ The displacement analysis is based on NPCC New England subregion annual non-baseload output emission rates from EPA's Emissions & Generation Resource Integrated Database (eGRID2021) released 1/30/2023 <https://www.epa.gov/energy/emissions-generation-resource-integrated-database-egrid>

³¹ An updated version (Version 2.0) of the BOEM Wind Tool was released in 2021 (Chang et al. 2021), which recommends the use of EPA's AVoided Emissions and geneRation Tool (AVERT) data to estimate avoided emissions. However, inputting the minimum nameplate capacity of Vineyard Northeast into AVERT results in an error message because the power from Vineyard Northeast would displace more than 30% of regional fossil generation in New England for at least one hour of the year and the recommended limit for AVERT is 15%. As such, the Proponent used EPA's eGRID data, as recommended by Version 1 of the BOEM Wind Tool.

³² Capacity factor refers to the ratio of an offshore wind project's annual power production to the nameplate production potential.

cables. The transmission loss factor was determined from Lazaridis’s (2005) *Economic Comparison of HVAC and HVDC Solutions for Large Offshore Wind Farms under Special Consideration of Reliability*.³³ The study gives average transmission loss factors for 400 to 1,000 MW offshore wind projects using 123 kV, 220 kV, and 400 kV three-core HVAC cables with cross-linked polyethylene (XLPE) insulation for various distances and windspeeds. These values were interpolated to determine an average transmission loss factor of ~4.6% (see Attachment D).

Table 4-2 quantifies the air emissions associated with fossil fuel power plants that could be avoided by using electricity generated from Vineyard Northeast, assuming a minimum nameplate capacity. Additional avoided emission calculation details can be found in Attachment D.

Table 4-2 Avoided Air Emissions Resulting from Vineyard Northeast

	NOx	SO₂	CO₂	CH₄	N₂O	CO₂e
Emissions Avoided Annually (US tons/year)	2,233	706	4,892,463	397	49	4,917,613

The “social cost of greenhouse gases” (SC-GHG) is the monetary value of the net harm to society associated with adding an incremental amount of GHGs to the atmosphere in a given year (IWG 2021). The SC-GHG can be used to indicate the societal value (i.e., savings or avoided social costs) of reducing GHG emissions. In principle, the SC-GHG includes the value of all climate change impacts, including changes in net agricultural productivity, human health effects, property damage from increased flood risk and natural disasters, disruption of energy systems, risk of conflict, environmental migration, and the value of ecosystem services (IWG 2021). However, according to EPA (2022b), “In practice, because of data and modeling limitations, which prevent full representation of harmful climate impacts, estimates of the SC-GHG are a partial accounting of climate change impacts and, as such, lead to underestimates of the marginal benefits of abatement.” The estimate of social costs differs by the type of GHG (e.g., CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O), the year in which the emissions change occurs, and the discount rate applied (i.e., how future damages are converted into present-day values).

Table 4-3 presents estimates of the avoided social costs resulting from Vineyard Northeast (assuming a minimum nameplate capacity) based on interim estimates of SC-GHG released by the US Government’s Interagency Working Group (IWG) on Social Cost of Greenhouse Gases in 2021 (IWG 2021). The annual estimates of avoided social costs are presented for the years

³³ The BOEM Wind Tool only provides a default transmission loss factor for HVDC export cables, which is 3%.

2030, 2040, and 2050³⁴ for discount rates ranging from 2.5 % to 5%.³⁵ IWG (2021) indicates its interim estimates of SC-GHG should be used by agencies until a comprehensive review and update is developed in line with the requirements of Presidential Executive Order 13990 (Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crisis).

In late 2022, EPA released new estimates of SC-GHG that reflect recent advances in scientific literature on climate change and its economic impacts (EPA 2022b). Table 4-4 presents estimates of the avoided social costs resulting from Vineyard Northeast (assuming a minimum nameplate capacity) based on EPA's SC-GHG estimates for the years 2030, 2040, and 2050 with a discount rate ranging from 1.5% to 2.5%.

As shown in Tables 4-3 and 4-4, there is considerable variability in the estimates of social costs avoided by Vineyard Northeast depending on the source of the SC-GHG estimates, the year of the emission reduction, and the assumed discount rate. Based on IWG's estimates, the total avoided social costs (for CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O combined) from Vineyard Northeast, assuming a minimum nameplate capacity, range from \$85 million to \$518 million annually between 2030 and 2050.³⁶ Based on EPA's estimates, the total avoided social costs (assuming the minimum nameplate capacity of Vineyard Northeast) range from \$624 million to \$2.1 billion annually between 2030 and 2050.³⁷ Avoided social costs for additional years (other than 2030, 2040, and 2050) and detailed calculations are provided in Attachment D.

³⁴ A sampling of years during which Vineyard Northeast could be operational.

³⁵ Estimates of avoided social costs based on a discount rate of 5%, 3%, 2.5%, and the 95th percentile of estimates based on a 3% discount rate are provided in Attachment D.

³⁶ For discount rates of 5% to 2.5%. Avoided social costs using the 95th percentile of estimates based on a 3% discount rate are even greater (see Attachment D).

³⁷ For discount rates of 2.5% to 1.5%.

Table 4-3 Estimated Social Costs Avoided by Vineyard Northeast (IWG 2021)

Year ³	Annual Avoided Social Costs (2020 dollars) Based on IWG 2021 Estimates ^{1,2}							
	CO ₂		CH ₄		N ₂ O		Total	
	5% Rate	2.5% Rate	5% Rate	2.5% Rate	5% Rate	2.5% Rate	5% Rate	2.5% Rate
2030	\$84,329,000	\$395,015,000	\$338,000	\$900,000	\$346,000	\$1,464,000	\$85,013,000	\$397,379,000
2040	\$110,959,000	\$457,152,000	\$468,000	\$1,115,000	\$444,000	\$1,730,000	\$111,871,000	\$459,997,000
2050	\$142,028,000	\$514,851,000	\$612,000	\$1,367,000	\$577,000	\$1,996,000	\$143,217,000	\$518,214,000

Notes:

1. The avoided social costs are calculated from the avoided emission estimates presented in Table 4-2. The avoided emission estimates are based on 2021 air emissions data for the New England electric grid, not future projections of emissions from the electric grid.
2. Avoided social costs using the 95th percentile of estimates based on a 3% discount rate are even greater (see Attachment D).
3. A sampling of years during which Vineyard Northeast could be operational. Avoided social costs for other years are provided in Attachment D.

Table 4-4 Estimated Social Costs Avoided by Vineyard Northeast (EPA 2022b)

Year ²	Annual Avoided Social Costs (2020 dollars) Based on EPA 2022 Estimates ¹							
	CO ₂		CH ₄		N ₂ O		Total	
	2.5% Rate	1.5% Rate	2.5% Rate	1.5% Rate	2.5% Rate	1.5% Rate	2.5% Rate	1.5% Rate
2030	\$621,372,000	\$1,686,580,000	\$684,000	\$1,151,000	\$1,996,000	\$4,436,000	\$624,052,000	\$1,692,167,000
2040	\$754,523,000	\$1,908,499,000	\$971,000	\$1,511,000	\$2,440,000	\$5,323,000	\$757,934,000	\$1,915,333,000
2050	\$887,674,000	\$2,130,417,000	\$1,259,000	\$1,907,000	\$2,928,000	\$6,210,000	\$891,861,000	\$2,138,534,000

Notes:

1. The avoided social costs are calculated from the avoided emission estimates presented in Table 4-2. The avoided emission estimates are based on 2021 air emissions data for the New England electric grid, not future projections of emissions from the electric grid.
2. A sampling of years during which Vineyard Northeast could be operational. Avoided social costs for other years are provided in Attachment D.

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Attachment A

Detailed Emissions Estimates for Vineyard Northeast

The detailed emission spreadsheets in this Attachment are redacted.

Vineyard Northeast Emissions Summary

Construction Emissions	Year	Total Fuel Consumption (gal)	Vineyard Northeast Total Emissions in US (US Tons)							
			NOX	VOC	CO	PM10	PM2.5	SO2	HAPs	CO2e
Offshore Emissions	Year 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Year 2	61,143,230	10,771	240	2,529	356	342	83	34	709,251
	Year 3	36,524,160	6,434	143	1,511	213	204	50	20	423,674
Onshore Emissions	Year 1	2,059,994	61	3	25	37	37	0	1	49,148
	Year 2	3,303,176	97	6	40	52	52	0	2	63,142
	Year 3	126,230	3	0	3	9	9	0	0	27,344
Total Emissions	Year 1	2,059,994	61	3	25	37	37	0.1	1	49,148
	Year 2	64,446,406	10,867	246	2,569	408	394	83	35	772,393
	Year 3	36,650,390	6,436	144	1,514	222	214	50	20	451,018

Annual O&M Emissions	Fuel Consumption per Year (gal)	Vineyard Northeast Total Emissions in US (US Tons per Year)								
		NOX	VOC	CO	PM10	PM2.5	SO2	HAPs	CO2e	
Offshore Emissions, Routine O&M	3,769,247	591	11	152	20	19	2.1	1.6	48,757	
Onshore Emissions, Routine O&M	10,425	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	26,054	
Total Emissions, Routine O&M	3,779,672	591	11	153	20	19	2.1	1.6	74,810	
Offshore Emissions, Maximum	4,861,557	773	14	195	26	25	2.6	2.2	60,726	
Onshore Emissions, Maximum	10,425	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	26,054	
Total Emissions, Maximum	4,871,982	773	14	196	26	25	2.6	2.2	86,780	

	Vineyard Northeast Total US Port Emissions								
	NOX	VOC	CO	PM10	PM2.5	SO2	HAPs	CO2e	
Total port-related construction emissions (US tons)	605	10	148	20	19	1.1	2	41,476	
Total port-related operational emissions, maximum year (US tpy)	37	0.6	10	1.2	1.1	0.1	0.1	2,501	

Attachment B

Vineyard Northeast Parameters

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Attachment C

Supporting Tables

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Attachment D

Avoided Emissions and Social Cost of GHGs

Avoided Emissions for Vineyard Northeast

Inputs	
Minimum Nameplate Capacity (MW)	2,600
Capacity Factor	50%
Transmission Loss Factor ^{1,2}	4.6%
Hours per year	8,760
Annual Power Generated (MW-hr)	10,866,237

1) Conservatively assumes that all export cables will be 220 kV HVAC cables, although HVDC export cables (which have lower transmission losses) will be used in the Connecticut OECC.

2) Lazaridis, L., P. (2005). Economic Comparison of HVAC and HVDC Solutions for Large Offshore Wind Farms under Special Consideration of Reliability. Tables 4.3 - 4.5: Average power losses in percent of the windfarm's average output power for different windfarm rated power, average wind speed, transmission distances and transmission voltage levels.

Pollutant	Avoided Emission Factor (lb/MWH) ¹	Displaced Emissions from Conventional Power Generation (US tons/year)	Fraction of 2021 NPCC New England Region Emissions (%) ²
Avoided Emissions			
NOx	0.411	2,233	13%
SO2	0.130	706	15%
CO2e	905	4,917,613	18%
CO2	900	4,892,463	
CH4	0.073	397	
N2O	0.009	49	

1) Avoided emission factors use NPCC New England annual non-baseload output emission rates from EPA's eGRID2021 released 1/30/2023 <https://www.epa.gov/egrid/download-data>

2) Based on eGRID2021 (released 1/30/2023) subregion annual emissions.

Cars Removed Equivalency	
Avoided CO2e (US tons/year)	4,917,613
Avoided CO2e (metric tons/year)	4,461,185
EPA Metric tons CO2e per car per year ¹	4.6
Cars Removed from Road	969,823

1) Based on EPA Office of Transportation and Air Quality Report EPA-420-F-18-008 "Greenhouse Gas Emissions from a Typical Passenger Vehicle"

eGRID 2021 Emission Rates and Emissions										
eGRID subregion acronym	eGRID subregion name	Non-baseload output emission rates						eGRID Subregion Annual Emissions		
		annual NOx (lb/MWh)	SO2 (lb/MWh)	annual CO2e (lb/MWh)	annual CO2 (lb/MWh)	annual CH4 (lb/MWh)	annual N2O (lb/MWh)	annual NOx emissions (tons)	annual SO2 emissions (tons)	annual CO2 equivalent emissions (tons)
NEWE	NPCC New England	0.411	0.130	905	900	0.073	0.009	16,865	4,825	28,034,172
NWPP	WECC Northwest	1.526	0.758	1,555.177	1,545.746	0.139	0.020	78,145	48,492	90,292,281
NYCW	NPCC NYC/Westchester	0.309	0.011	932.000	930.849	0.020	0.002	3,674	173	13,290,453
NYLI	NPCC Long Island	0.893	0.324	1,319.797	1,317.314	0.040	0.005	5,444	1,576	7,275,719
NYUP	NPCC Upstate NY	0.439	0.062	883.603	880.743	0.047	0.006	4,291	628	10,005,339

Avoided Emissions for Vineyard Northeast

Parameter	HVAC (MA OECC)
Maximum length per offshore export cable, from booster station to landfall site (km)	82
Maximum length per onshore export cable (km)	39
Total length per cable (km)	121
Average transmission loss factor @ 100 km (assumed 220 kV HVAC) ¹	3.7
Average transmission loss factor @ 150 km (assumed 220 kV HVAC) ¹	5.9
Average transmission loss factor ¹	4.6

1) Given that HVAC export cables are expected to have greater transmission losses than HVDC export cables, the avoided emissions analysis conservatively assumed the use of 220 kV HVAC cables to transmit the Lease Area's entire capacity. The transmission loss factors are based on the highest windfarm rated power provided in the table below (i.e., 1,000 MW).

Transmission Loss Factors (%) for HVAC Cables for Different Windfarm Rated Power, Average Wind Speed, Transmission Distances and Transmission Voltage Levels												
400 MW												
Wind Cable Length	132 kV				220 kV				400 kV			
	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s
50 km	2.67	2.73	2.78	2.81	1.63	1.61	1.59	1.57	1.19	1.13	1.1	1.07
100 km	5.13	5.26	5.36	5.43	2.92	2.87	2.83	2.81	2.85	2.64	2.51	2.43
150 km	8.13	8.3	8.44	8.54	4.97	4.85	4.77	4.71	5.93	5.4	5.07	4.84
200 km	11.98	12.17	12.32	12.45	7.86	7.62	7.47	7.38	18.47	17.54	16.93	16.52
250 km	14.28	14.12	14.03	13.97	13.55	13.08	12.78	12.59	-	-	-	-
300 km	20.39	20.11	19.95	19.85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
500 MW												
Wind Cable Length	132 kV				220 kV				400 kV			
	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s
50 km	2.81	2.78	2.76	2.74	1.62	1.63	1.64	1.65	1.18	1.14	1.12	1.11
100 km	4.74	4.77	4.79	4.81	3.07	3.07	3.07	3.07	2.68	2.54	2.46	2.4
150 km	7.5	7.53	7.56	7.57	5.1	5.05	5.02	5.01	5.36	4.98	4.74	4.58
200 km	11.08	11.09	11.1	11.1	7.87	7.76	7.69	7.65	18.29	17.59	17.15	16.85
250 km	15.28	15.3	15.33	15.37	12.48	12.12	11.89	11.74	-	-	-	-
300 km	19.96	19.74	19.61	19.53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
600 MW												
Wind Cable Length	132 kV				220 kV				400 kV			
	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s
50 km	2.83	2.86	2.89	2.91	1.89	1.9	1.91	1.92	1.23	1.21	1.2	1.19
100 km	5.39	5.47	5.53	5.58	3.31	3.35	3.39	3.42	2.68	2.58	2.52	2.49
150 km	8.45	8.57	8.66	8.73	5.38	5.41	5.44	5.47	5.14	4.85	4.68	4.57
200 km	12.31	12.45	12.55	12.64	7.64	7.49	7.51	7.44	17.17	16.8	16.6	16.49
250 km	14.6	14.57	14.55	14.55	12.53	12.23	12.04	11.92	-	-	-	-
300 km	19.79	19.58	19.57	19.47	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
700 MW												
Wind Cable Length	132 kV				220 kV				400 kV			
	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s
50 km	3.32	3.37	3.42	3.45	1.94	1.98	2.02	2.04	1.26	1.25	1.25	1.26
100 km	5.54	5.69	5.78	5.85	3.67	3.74	3.8	3.85	2.7	2.65	2.62	2.61
150 km	7.96	7.99	8	8.01	5.19	5.12	5.06	5.02	4.85	4.62	4.48	4.39
200 km	11.2	11.25	11.3	11.34	7.66	7.57	7.51	7.48	16.64	16.03	15.63	15.35
250 km	15.53	15.61	15.69	15.76	11.93	11.69	11.53	11.43	-	-	-	-
300 km	20.04	19.94	19.9	19.88	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
800 MW												
Wind Cable Length	132 kV				220 kV				400 kV			
	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s
50 km	2.88	2.9	2.92	2.94	1.85	1.84	1.83	1.9	1.31	1.33	1.34	1.36
100 km	5.52	5.59	5.63	5.67	3.17	3.34	3.33	3.32	2.55	2.47	2.4	2.36
150 km	8.66	8.75	8.82	8.87	5.16	5.15	5.15	5.15	4.63	4.43	4.31	4.23
200 km	12.15	12.31	12.44	12.54	7.79	7.75	7.74	7.74	16.23	15.85	15.61	15.45
250 km	15.13	15.12	15.11	15.11	11.84	11.66	11.55	11.48	-	-	-	-
300 km	19.78	19.68	19.63	19.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
900 MW												
Wind Cable Length	132 kV				220 kV				400 kV			
	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s
50 km	3.16	3.22	3.26	3.3	1.86	1.88	1.89	1.9	1.17	1.15	1.13	1.17
100 km	6.07	6.2	6.29	6.37	3.48	3.5	3.52	3.53	2.4	2.33	2.29	2.26
150 km	8.5	8.46	8.43	8.4	5.37	5.4	5.44	5.47	4.5	4.33	4.23	4.17
200 km	11.62	11.66	11.69	11.71	7.52	7.47	7.43	7.4	15.8	15.56	15.43	15.36
250 km	14.67	14.65	14.64	14.82	11.71	11.52	11.4	11.32	-	-	-	-
300 km	19.67	19.49	19.45	19.42	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1000 MW												
Wind Cable Length	132 kV				220 kV				400 kV			
	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11m/s
50 km	3.17	3.15	3.14	3.12	1.93	1.96	1.98	2	1.17	1.14	1.13	1.12
100 km	5.66	5.7	5.89	5.89	3.63	3.67	3.71	3.74	2.37	2.32	2.36	2.33
150 km	8.65	8.75	8.82	8.87	5.79	5.85	5.89	5.93	4.44	4.3	4.21	4.16
200 km	12.18	12.36	12.49	12.59	7.62	7.58	7.57	7.56	15.51	15.14	14.89	14.72
250 km	15.36	15.38	15.41	15.44	11.62	11.48	11.39	11.3	-	-	-	-
300 km	19.54	19.53	19.47	19.43	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Lazaridis, L., P. (2005). Economic Comparison of HVAC and HVDC Solutions for Large Offshore Wind Farms under Special Consideration of Reliability. Tables 4.3 - 4.5: Average power losses in percent of the windfarm's average output power for different windfarm rated power, average wind speed, transmission distances and transmission voltage levels.

Note: loss calculations were performed for 3 three-core HVAC cables with XPLE insulation (the type of HVAC cable expected to be used for Vineyard Northeast)

Avoided Social Costs for Vineyard Northeast

Vineyard Northeast Avoided Emissions (metric ton per year)		
CO2	CH4	N2O
4,438,369	360	44

EPA (2022) Draft Social Cost of Carbon (\$ Per Metric Ton)

	SC-CO2 (2020 dollars per metric ton of CO2)			SC-CH4 (2020 dollars per metric ton of CH4)			SC-N2O (2020 dollars per metric ton of N2O)		
	2.50%	2.00%	1.50%	2.50%	2.00%	1.50%	2.50%	2.00%	1.50%
2020	120	190	340	1,300	1,600	2,300	35,000	54,000	87,000
2030	140	230	380	1,900	2,400	3,200	45,000	66,000	100,000
2040	170	270	430	2,700	3,300	4,200	55,000	79,000	120,000
2050	200	310	480	3,500	4,200	5,300	66,000	93,000	140,000
2060	230	350	530	4,300	5,100	6,300	76,000	110,000	150,000
2070	260	380	570	5,000	5,900	7,200	85,000	120,000	170,000
2080	280	410	600	5,800	6,800	8,200	95,000	130,000	180,000

From: Table ES.1: Estimates of the Social Cost of Greenhouse Gases (SC-GHG), 2020-2080 (2020 dollars). https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2022-11/epa_scghg_report_draft_0.pdf

EPA (2022) Draft Social Cost of Carbon (Total Dollars)

	SC-CO2 (2020 dollars)			SC-CH4 (2020 dollars)			SC-N2O (2020 dollars)		
	2.50%	2.00%	1.50%	2.50%	2.00%	1.50%	2.50%	2.00%	1.50%
2020	\$ 532,604,339	\$ 843,290,203	\$1,509,045,627	\$ 467,747	\$ 575,689	\$ 827,553	\$ 1,552,586	\$ 2,395,418	\$3,859,285
2030	\$ 621,371,729	\$1,020,824,983	\$1,686,580,407	\$ 683,631	\$ 863,533	\$ 1,151,378	\$ 1,996,182	\$ 2,927,733	\$4,435,959
2040	\$ 754,522,814	\$1,198,359,763	\$1,908,498,881	\$ 971,475	\$ 1,187,358	\$ 1,511,183	\$ 2,439,778	\$ 3,504,408	\$5,323,151
2050	\$ 887,673,898	\$1,375,894,542	\$2,130,417,356	\$ 1,259,320	\$ 1,511,183	\$ 1,906,970	\$ 2,927,733	\$ 4,125,442	\$6,210,343
2060	\$1,020,824,983	\$1,553,429,322	\$2,352,335,830	\$ 1,547,164	\$ 1,835,008	\$ 2,266,775	\$ 3,371,329	\$ 4,879,555	\$6,653,939
2070	\$1,153,976,068	\$1,686,580,407	\$2,529,870,610	\$ 1,799,028	\$ 2,122,853	\$ 2,590,600	\$ 3,770,565	\$ 5,323,151	\$7,541,131
2080	\$1,242,743,458	\$1,819,731,491	\$2,663,021,695	\$ 2,086,872	\$ 2,446,678	\$ 2,950,406	\$ 4,214,161	\$ 5,766,747	\$7,984,727

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	Social Cost of CO2, 2020 – 2050 (in 2020 dollars per metric ton of CO2)				SC-CO2 (2020 dollars)			
	5%	3%	2.50%	3% 95th Percentile	5%	3%	2.50%	3% 95th Percentile
2020	14	51	76	152	\$ 62,137,173	\$226,356,844	\$337,316,081	\$ 674,632,163
2025	17	56	83	169	\$ 75,452,281	\$248,548,692	\$368,384,668	\$ 750,084,444
2030	19	62	89	187	\$ 84,329,020	\$275,178,908	\$395,014,885	\$ 829,975,095
2035	22	67	96	206	\$ 97,644,129	\$297,370,756	\$426,083,471	\$ 914,304,115
2040	25	73	103	225	\$110,959,237	\$324,000,973	\$457,152,058	\$ 998,633,136
2045	28	79	110	242	\$124,274,346	\$350,631,190	\$488,220,644	\$ 1,074,085,417
2050	32	85	116	260	\$142,027,824	\$377,261,407	\$514,850,861	\$ 1,153,976,068

From: Table ES-1: Social Cost of CO2, 2020 – 2050 (in 2020 dollars per metric ton of CO2)3 https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/TechnicalSupportDocument_SocialCostofCarbonMethaneNitrousOxide.pdf

	Social Cost of CH4, 2020 – 2050 (in 2020 dollars per metric ton of CH4)				SC-CH4 (2020 dollars)			
	5%	3%	2.50%	3% 95th Percentile	5%	3%	2.50%	3% 95th Percentile
2020	670	1500	2000	3900	\$ 241,070	\$ 539,708	\$ 719,611	\$ 1,403,242
2025	800	1700	2200	4500	\$ 287,844	\$ 611,669	\$ 791,572	\$ 1,619,125
2030	940	2000	2500	5200	\$ 338,217	\$ 719,611	\$ 899,514	\$ 1,870,989
2035	1100	2200	2800	6000	\$ 395,786	\$ 791,572	\$ 1,007,456	\$ 2,158,834
2040	1300	2500	3100	6700	\$ 467,747	\$ 899,514	\$ 1,115,397	\$ 2,410,697
2045	1500	2800	3500	7500	\$ 539,708	\$ 1,007,456	\$ 1,259,320	\$ 2,698,542
2050	1700	3100	3800	8200	\$ 611,669	\$ 1,115,397	\$ 1,367,261	\$ 2,950,406

From: Table ES-2: Social Cost of CH4, 2020 – 2050 (in 2020 dollars per metric ton of CH4) https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/TechnicalSupportDocument_SocialCostofCarbonMethaneNitrousOxide.pdf

	Social Cost of N2O, 2020 – 2050 (in 2020 dollars per metric ton of N2O)				SC-N2O (2020 dollars)			
	5%	3%	2.50%	3% 95th Percentile	5%	3%	2.50%	3% 95th Percentile
2020	5800	18000	27000	48000	\$ 257,286	\$ 798,473	\$ 1,197,709	\$ 2,129,260
2025	6800	21000	30000	54000	\$ 301,645	\$ 931,551	\$ 1,330,788	\$ 2,395,418
2030	7800	23000	33000	60000	\$ 346,005	\$ 1,020,271	\$ 1,463,867	\$ 2,661,576
2035	9000	25000	36000	67000	\$ 399,236	\$ 1,108,990	\$ 1,596,945	\$ 2,972,093
2040	10000	28000	39000	74000	\$ 443,596	\$ 1,242,069	\$ 1,730,024	\$ 3,282,610
2045	12000	30000	42000	81000	\$ 532,315	\$ 1,330,788	\$ 1,863,103	\$ 3,593,127
2050	13000	33000	45000	88000	\$ 576,675	\$ 1,463,867	\$ 1,996,182	\$ 3,903,644

From: Table ES-3: Social Cost of N2O, 2020 – 2050 (in 2020 dollars per metric ton of N2O). https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/TechnicalSupportDocument_SocialCostofCarbonMethaneNitrousOxide.pdf

Avoided Social Costs for Vineyard Northeast

EPA (2022) Avoided Social Costs Summary

	SC-CO2 (2020 dollars)		SC-CH4 (2020 dollars)		SC-N2O (2020 dollars)		Total avoided social costs (2020 dollars)	
	min (2.5%)	max (1.5%)	min (2.5%)	max (1.5%)	min (2.5%)	max (1.5%)	min (2.5%)	max (1.5%)
2030	\$ 621,372,000	\$1,686,580,000	\$ 684,000	\$1,151,000	\$1,996,000	\$4,436,000	\$ 624,052,000	\$ 1,692,167,000
2040	\$ 754,523,000	\$1,908,499,000	\$ 971,000	\$1,511,000	\$2,440,000	\$5,323,000	\$ 757,934,000	\$ 1,915,333,000
2050	\$ 887,674,000	\$2,130,417,000	\$1,259,000	\$1,907,000	\$2,928,000	\$6,210,000	\$ 891,861,000	\$ 2,138,534,000

IWG (2021) Avoided Social Costs Summary

	SC-CO2 (2020 dollars)		SC-CH4 (2020 dollars)		SC-N2O (2020 dollars)		Total avoided social costs (2020 dollars)	
	min (5%)	max (2.5%)	min (5%)	max (2.5%)	min (5%)	max (2.5%)	min (5%)	max (2.5%)
2030	\$ 84,329,000	\$ 395,015,000	\$ 338,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 346,000	\$1,464,000	\$ 85,013,000	\$ 397,379,000
2040	\$ 110,959,000	\$ 457,152,000	\$ 468,000	\$1,115,000	\$ 444,000	\$1,730,000	\$ 111,871,000	\$ 459,997,000
2050	\$ 142,028,000	\$ 514,851,000	\$ 612,000	\$1,367,000	\$ 577,000	\$1,996,000	\$ 143,217,000	\$ 518,214,000