



South Carolina Renewable Energy Task Force

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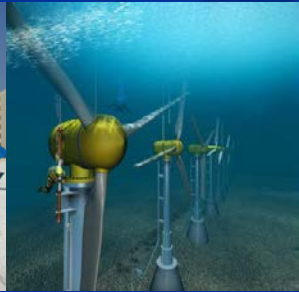
OVERVIEW

- Program Philosophy
- Task Force Development
- Goals of the Day

The program's philosophy is centered on engagement of stakeholders, transparency, and providing opportunities for public input through formal and informal processes.

Renewable Energy Program Philosophy

- Coordinate with federal, state, and local agencies, tribal governments, and stakeholders
- Apply our renewable energy regulatory framework in conjunction with interagency-led planning activities
- Focus on multiple-use
- Work within the current authorities and responsibilities of agencies and continue ongoing activities



Applicable Laws and Executive Orders

- National Environmental Policy Act
- Endangered Species Act
- Marine Mammal Protection Act
- Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act
- Marine Protection, Research, & Sanctuaries Act
- National Marine Sanctuaries Act
- Coastal Zone Management Act
- Clean Air Act
- Clean Water Act
- Ports and Waterways Safety Act
- Marking of Obstructions
- Rivers and Harbors Appropriation Act
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
- National Historic Preservation Act
- Archaeological and Historical Preservation Act
- American Indian Religious Freedom Act
- Federal Aviation Act
- Federal Power Act
- E.O. 13007 (Indian Sacred Sites)
- E.O. 13186 (Migratory Birds)
- E.O. 13547 (Stewardship of the Oceans, Our Coasts & the Great Lakes)

SC Task Force

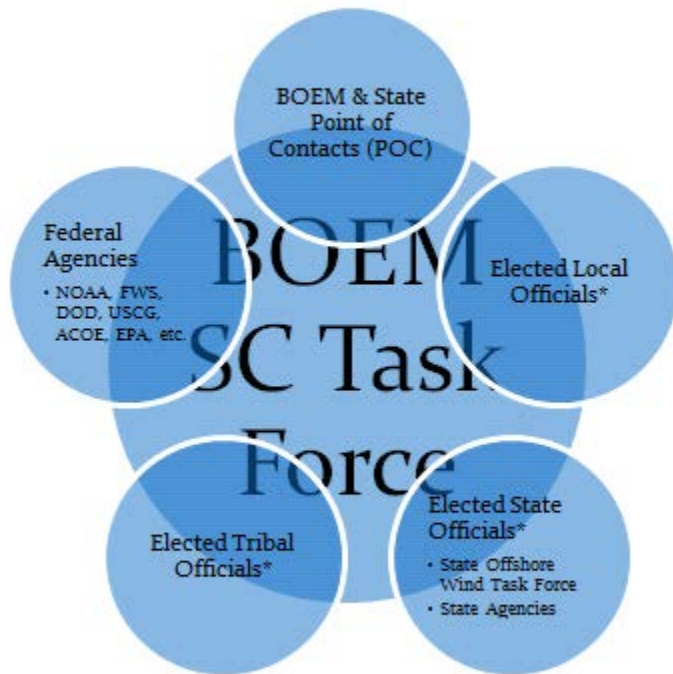
By engaging in BOEM's leasing process, Task Forces:

- Provide a regional perspective to the leasing process.
- Engage federal, state, and other entities in long-term resource planning.
- Facilitate site selection through stakeholder coordination;
- Promote issue identification and mitigation of potential impacts.
- Collaborate on the use of scientific research and information.
- Enhance environmental monitoring and mitigation strategies.

Task Force Current Status

- Establish Intergovernmental Task Force, engage stakeholders.
- Development of Task Force Charter
- Assimilate Relevant Updated Information
- Initial screening of areas for suitable commercial leasing

BOEM SC Activities to Date



- Established BOEM South Carolina Renewable Energy Task Force in March 2012
- Introduced SC GIS Data Portal and Charter
- Gathered input and new data sources on existing OCS uses to inform planning process
- Held Task Force meetings in May 2012 and May 2014

Today's Goals

- **Review** the evolution of SC offshore areas of interest.
- **Discuss** the concurrent paths forward towards the end goal of identifying suitable areas for potential offshore renewable energy development on the OCS.
- **Take** the next steps necessary to identify SC Call Areas.
- **Discuss** realistic development time frames and sequences of events leading up to commercial development.

Concluding Thoughts

- For OCS renewable energy and transmission projects, BOEM:
 - Applies renewable energy regulations along with interagency-led planning activities.
 - Focuses on multiple-use.
 - Works with tribal, local, state, federal, and other interested partners.
- Goal: Efficient, safe, and environmentally sound ocean energy development.

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