



# BOEM Hawaii OCS Renewable Energy Task Force Update

Hawaii OCS Renewable Energy  
Task Force Meeting  
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# Hawaii OCS Renewable Energy Task Force

- Established by Secretary of DOI Ken Salazar in July 2011 in response to a request from Governor Neil Abercrombie who requested formation of a task force:

*“to enhance intergovernmental coordination and planning and facilitate effective review of requests for OCS leases and right-of-way grants for power cables”*

# Recap of March 7, 2012 Task Force Meeting

## ■ Accomplishments:

1. BOEM and DBEDT shared information with task force members on their respective renewable energy programs and activities.
2. Discussed collaborative steps that can be taken to plan for future renewable energy activities on the OCS.

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## Hawaii

- BOEM established the Hawaii OCS Renewable Energy Task Force to promote intergovernmental planning and coordination, and to facilitate effective and efficient review of future requests for commercial and research leases and right-of-way grants for power cables on the federal outer continental shelf (OCS) offshore Hawaii. Members of the intergovernmental task force include representatives of federal, state and local government agencies, and offices that coordinate with Native Hawaiians.
- The first BOEM Hawaii OCS Renewable Energy Task Force meeting was held in Honolulu, Hawaii on March 7, 2012. During the meeting, BOEM and the Hawaii Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) officials described their respective renewable energy programs and discussed future coordination and consultation opportunities. The agenda, copies of presentations, and list of attendees are found below.



- [Meeting Agenda](#)
- [Overview of BOEM OCS Renewable Energy Program](#)
- [Task Force Purpose - BOEM](#)
- [BOEM OCS Regulatory Framework and Leasing Process](#)
- [BOEM Studies and Research Highlights](#)
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- [Status of Ocean Energy Projects - DBEDT](#)
- [Hawaii State Energy Office \(SEO\) Vision Strategy – DBEDT](#)
- [Meeting Attendees](#)

# Goals for this Meeting

1. BOEM and DBEDT will provide updates on renewable energy activities.
2. DOD will describe its process for conducting site assessment reviews of the OCS for compatibility of renewable energy activities and military operations.
3. Disseminate information on interisland cable related studies and identify any technical, environmental, or research data gaps that may exist.
4. Discuss steps to be taken to plan for OCS renewable energy development.