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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

ACHP	Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
Bluepoint Wind	Bluepoint Wind, LLC
BOEM	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
COP	Construction and Operations Plan
EDPR	EDP Renewables
eTWG	Environmental Technical Working Group
FCP	Fisheries Communication Plan
fTWG	Fisheries Technical Working Group
ft	feet
HRVEA	Historic Resources Visual Effects Assessment
IHA	Incidental Harassment Authorization
km	kilometers
Lease Area	Lease Area OCS-A 0537
MAFMC	Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Management Council
m	meters
NEFMC	New England Fisheries Management Council
nm	nautical miles
NJDEP	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
NYDEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
NYSDOS	New York State Department of State
NYSOGS	New York State Office of General Services
NYSERDA	New York State Energy Research and Development Authority
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NOAA Fisheries	National Marine Fisheries Service
OW	Ocean Winds
the Project	Bluepoint Wind, LLC.
ROSA	Responsible Offshore Science Alliance
RWSC	Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative
USACE	United States Army Corps. Of Engineers
USCG	United States Coast Guard
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Since the last progress report, Bluepoint Wind, LLC (Bluepoint Wind) has continued to make advances in outreach and thoughtful planning with regards to local stakeholders, mariners, and federal and state agencies. Through consistent follow-up meetings and open lines of communication with informal discussions and bidirectional information sessions, Bluepoint Wind has remained committed to serving as a transparent resource for external parties as the Bluepoint Wind Project (the Project) has progressed.

Bluepoint Wind worked closely with the New York Bight (NY Bight) Lessees to draft the Joint Native American Tribal Communications Plan (NATCP), submitted to BOEM in October 2023 and resubmitted in February 2024 to address BOEM comments, to guide its communication with Tribes/Tribal Nations. Bluepoint Wind is committed to being deliberate and thoughtful of all Tribes/Tribal Nation outreach and engagement to address concerns and questions.

Bluepoint Wind continues to maintain ongoing coordination with BOEM on regulatory requirements and Construction and Operations Plan (COP) development. We have engaged with numerous other federal and state agencies to discuss various assessment protocol designs to gain feedback on the Bluepoint Wind Project design envelope (PDE) for the Lease Area and export cable routing.

For local commercial and recreational fisheries, our Fisheries Liaison has attended relevant meetings with councils, working groups, and other relevant parties through port visits, academic seminars, industry events and other meeting channels. During the reporting period, the Project has provided and published information on Lease Area activity as requested by local mariners. The Project will continue to maintain open lines of communication with local fisheries and mariners to provide updates on the Project as well as address any concerns or questions that may arise during the next reporting period.

The Bluepoint Wind stakeholder team has continued to hold introductory and follow up meetings with local community groups, universities, and other groups to create open channels of communication and ensure their feedback is accurately documented and considered. During the current reporting period between November 1, 2023, and April 30, 2024 (Reporting Period), the team has conducted, attended, and sponsored meetings with relevant groups to serve as a resource to the community in providing general information and key updates as the Project progresses. In the coming/subsequent reporting period, Bluepoint Wind will maintain the open line of communication and continue outreach efforts to meet with local groups that may be unfamiliar to the Project or the offshore wind industry.

1 PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND

1.1 Purpose

This Progress Report is prepared in accordance with Section 3.1 of the Lease OCS-A 0537, which requires that Bluepoint Wind, LLC (Bluepoint Wind) submit a semi-annual progress report (Progress Report) to the U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) every six months from the date of the Lease effective date by BOEM (May 1, 2022), through the approval of a Construction and Operations Plan (COP). This report covers the period from November 1, 2023, to April 30, 2024 (Reporting Period). The purpose of this Progress Report is to document Bluepoint Wind's overall progress and engagement activities undertaken with Tribes, mariners, parties, and stakeholders over the prior 6-month period. A list of Tribes/Tribal Nations, mariners, parties, and stakeholders that may be potentially affected by the Project activities are provided in Appendix A: Tribes and Other Parties Relevant to the Project. Relevant contact information is provided in Appendix B: Lessee and Liaison Contact Information, and Bluepoint Wind's Communication Plans can be found in Appendix C: Communications Plans.

Each Progress Report will be updated with Bluepoint Wind's progress and engagement activities completed during the reporting period and plans for continued engagement.

1.2 Lessee Information and Description

Bluepoint Wind is a partnership between Ocean Winds (OW), an international offshore wind energy company created by EDP Renewables and ENGIE (50:50), and New York-based Global Infrastructure Partners.

Bluepoint Wind was awarded offshore Lease Area OCS-A 0537, herein referred to as the Lease Area, in February 2022 by BOEM in the New York Bight area (see Figure 1). Bluepoint Wind intends to develop a state-of-the-art offshore wind power project within the Lease Area, associated export cable route and onshore facilities, herein referred to as the Project. The Lease Area is located 38 nautical miles (nm) (70 kilometers [km]) off the coast of New York and 53 nm (107 km) off the coast of New Jersey and has an average water depth of 180 feet (ft) (55 meters [m]). Bluepoint Wind's Lease Area is not close in proximity to other New York Bight lease areas; it is also the New York Bight lease area that is furthest from the shores of New Jersey and New York as seen in Figure 1.¹

¹ More information about the Bluepoint Wind project can be found here:
<https://bluepointwind.com/>.



Figure 1 Bluepoint Wind Lease Area (OCS-A 0537)

2 TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT

Bluepoint Wind has and will continue to engage with Tribes/Tribal Nations as sovereign governments recognized by the federal government. The Tribes/Tribal Nations listed in Appendix A have been identified by BOEM in the Lease stipulations as having cultural and/or historical ties to the Lease Area. Bluepoint Wind invites other interested Tribes/Tribal Nations to contact us directly should they wish to engage Bluepoint Wind on the Project.

2.1 Overall Engagement Progress Since Last Report

Tribes/Tribal Nations listed in Appendix A² were invited to a live-streaming of the Bluepoint Wind's third-party qualified marine archaeologist (QMA) geoarchaeological core processing work, conducted between January 8 – January 27, 2024, between 8 am – 5 pm daily. No Tribe/Tribal Nation member participated.

Tribes/Tribal Nations listed in Appendix A were invited to Bluepoint Wind's preliminary geoarchaeological coring results hosted by Bluepoint Wind's QMA on March 7, 2024. The Tribes/Tribal Nations members listed in Table 1 were in attendance. During this meeting, the QMA presented geoarchaeological core background, processing methodology, sampled locations, preliminary results, and timeline for next steps, and received Tribes/Tribal nation feedback. Further follow-up actions and outcomes are listed below in Table 1.

Bluepoint Wind has sent a letter and email to Tribes/Tribal Nations listed in Appendix A on April 22, 2024 and April 29, 2023 respectively, in regard to developing a Historic Resources Visual Effects Assessment (HRVEA) to analyze the Project's visual effects. The intent was to provide information regarding the Project's design and invite knowledge sharing of traditional cultural properties that may be sensitive to visual changes in the Project's vicinity. We received feedback from the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians that they do not wish to receive physical mail unless specifically requested. Bluepoint Wind acknowledged this request, reviewed the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians' Project Review Policy, and saved this preference in Bluepoint Wind's records. As of the date of submission, Bluepoint Wind has not received further feedback regarding the HRVEA analysis.

As per an email from BOEM on May 25, 2023, the Shawnee Tribe requested to not be contacted regarding activities within or associated with the NY Bight projects until further notice. Bluepoint Wind asked for a status update on this request on April 25, 2024, to which BOEM verbally stated that re-engagement with the Shawnee Tribe should be decided upon by each Lessee. To ensure that Shawnee Tribe had an opportunity to provide feedback

²The Shawnee Tribe requested to not be contacted regarding activities associated with NY Bight projects, as stated by BOEM representative via e-mail correspondence on May 25, 2023; as such Bluepoint Wind would not engage in communication with the Shawnee Tribe until BOEM provided guidance to re-engage. Bluepoint Wind and BOEM verbally discussed the Shawnee Tribe's request on April 25, 2024 where BOEM verbally stated Project engagement with Tribes/Tribal Nations is solely between the Lessee and each specific Tribe/Tribal Nation.

regarding the HRVEA analysis if the Tribal Nation so chooses, a letter was sent to the Shawnee Tribe on April 26, 2024 along with a follow up email on April 29, 2024.

Table 1 Tribal Engagement During Reporting Period

Focus of Discussion or Engagement	Tribe(s) Represented	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes	Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees
Geoarchaeological core processing viewing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bluepoint Wind to share preliminary results ahead of formal engagement 	N/A
Geoarchaeological core preliminary results sharing and receiving feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delaware Nation; Delaware Tribe of Indians; Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation; Shinnecock Indian Nation; Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians; and, Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host further preliminary results finding meeting(s) when data is available but ahead of formal engagement Ensure future information sharing aligns with provided feedback 	N/A
Historic Resources Visual Effects Assessment (HRVEA) information sharing and requested feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invited Tribes/Tribal Nations listed in Appendix A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collect and review feedback from Tribes/Tribal Nations and incorporate feedback as applicable Recorded information sharing preferences 	N/A

2.2 Identification of Potential Project Effects Related to Tribal Interests

At the geospatial preliminary results meeting on March 7, 2024, Tribes/Tribal Nations expressed concerns detailed in Table 2.

Table 2 Potential Effects and Tribal Input on Project Design or Implementation

Potential Effect	Affected Tribe	Efforts to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
<p>Geoarchaeological samples causing disturbance to sensitive areas that are either already known to Tribes/Tribal Nations (e.g., ancient submerged landform features [ASLFs]), or are along routes that may not be selected for final design</p>	<p>Tribes/Tribal Nations represented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delaware Nation; • Delaware Tribe of Indians; • Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation; • Shinnecock Indian Nation; • Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians; and • Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bluepoint Wind noted that the layout/final export cable route (ECR) is unknown, and information gained from this study will aid site selection
<p>Geoarchaeological samples are not providing data at 30 m depth (industry-wide occurrence)</p>	<p>See above the Tribes/Tribal Nations represented.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QMA confirmed that data collection was adequate to assess impacts to cultural resources, in spite of known technical limitations that inhibit ability to collect at 30 m depth
<p>Receiving data from multiple sources in a non-standard fashion is inefficient /cumbersome</p>	<p>See above the Tribes/Tribal Nations represented.</p>	<p>Bluepoint Wind will implement the feedback on how each Tribal Nation prefers to receive information, to the extent feasible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delaware Tribe of Indians prefers Project information either come from Bluepoint or BOEM, but not from both • Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head Aquinnah prefers email communication and website links where data is downloadable

Potential Effect	Affected Tribe	Efforts to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation is limiting most correspondence to BOEM, but welcomes this scientific information from developers and prefers data sharing through links that do not expire
Offshore industry-wide routing will disturb the seafloor and recommended use of a shared ECR corridor	See above the Tribes/Tribal Nations represented.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bluepoint Wind documented feedback and continues to consider methods for reducing sea floor disturbance, recognizing states are playing a larger role in offshore wind transmission planning

2.3 Tribal Feedback on Transmission Planning

To continue an open dialogue on transmission planning, Bluepoint Wind hosted a meeting, as described in Table 3, with interested Tribes/Tribal Nations to discuss geoarchaeological coring samples and their preliminary lab results, which included sample locations within the Lease Area and along potential ECRs. The attendees noted concern with collecting samples within ECRs that may not be ultimately selected. Attendees provided feedback on ECR planning to include a shared ECR corridor for multiple projects. Bluepoint Wind has/will address feedback as listed in Table 3. Bluepoint also notes that the states of New York and New Jersey are increasingly taking ownership of offshore and onshore transmission planning, and that the specific transmission routing for the Bluepoint Wind project, and the utilization of any shared corridors, may be decided by the states and not Bluepoint Wind. Bluepoint Wind updated Tribes/Tribal Nations on these developments in recent conversations and will continue to do so as regional transmission planning activities move forward.

2.4 Anticipated or Scheduled Tribal Engagement Activities

Bluepoint Wind will continue to meaningfully engage with Tribes/Tribal Nations as described in the NY Bight Joint Native American Tribal Communication Plan (Joint NATCP).

For the Project, near-term engagement with Tribes/Tribal Nations includes hosting further preliminary geoarchaeological results, once available, which is tentatively planned in Q2 2024. Bluepoint Wind will continue its Historic Resources Visual Effects Assessment (HRVEA) outreach to Tribes/Tribal Nations as a key part of our engagement, and plans to host HRVEA feedback meetings with Tribes/Tribal Nations with the intent to inform the COP analysis

In addition, Bluepoint Wind has consulted experts in Tribe/Tribal Nation engagement on best practices around cultural competency and engagement with the Tribes on their own terms and is evaluating the possibility to retain a consultant for further outreach with Tribes/Tribal Nations. Bluepoint Wind anticipates future relationship building-focused conversations with Tribes/Tribal Nations either individually or with the NY Bight Lessees to provide Project updates and address issues or concerns.

Table 3 Anticipated Tribal Engagement Activities for the Next Reporting Period

Future Anticipated Discussion/Engagement	Tribe(s)	Anticipated Timeframe	Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees
Sharing further preliminary geoarchaeological core results	Tribes/Tribal Nations listed in Appendix A: Tribes and Other Parties Relevant to the Project will be invited to participate	Q2 2024	N/A
HRVEA feedback	Tribes/Tribal Nations listed in Appendix A: Tribes and Other Parties Relevant to the Project will be invited to participate	Q2/Q3 2024	N/A
PDE information sharing to solicit feedback	Tribes/Tribal Nations listed in Appendix A: Tribes and Other Parties Relevant to the Project will be invited to participate	Q2/Q3 2024	N/A

3 ENGAGEMENT WITH POTENTIALLY AFFECTED PARTIES

3.1 Overall Engagement Progress Since Last Report

Bluepoint Wind has participated in various party meetings and engagement activities during the Reporting Period and a summary of engagement with agencies, fisheries, and stakeholders are presented below. Engagement with Tribes/Tribal Nations during the Reporting Period is covered in Section 2.

3.1.1 Agencies

During this Reporting Period, Bluepoint Wind has continued to participate in agency meetings and engagement activities. These include regularly scheduled bi-weekly meetings as well as agency meetings to discuss specific Project authorizations, protocol development, and provide updates to the PDE and COP. Agency engagements for this review period included the following:

- Regularly scheduled monthly or bi-weekly coordination meetings
- Impact assessment approach or protocol discussions
- Project design, schedule, and siting

Bluepoint Wind held a multi-agency meeting, as listed in Table 4, with BOEM and other federal agencies in order to reduce consultation burden and ensure coordinated feedback from agencies.

3.1.2 Fisheries

During the current Reporting Period Bluepoint Wind continued building upon fisheries engagements from the prior periods. Given that commercial fisheries from both the Mid-Atlantic and New England fish within the Bluepoint Wind Lease Area, the Fisheries Liaison team made a consistent and significant effort to engage with fisheries from major ports from Cape May NJ to New Bedford MA. This included continued outreach by our Fisheries Liaisons to commercial and recreational fishers, and attendance at port hours, management council meetings, working groups, academic seminars, fishing expos, and trade/industry events. Fisheries engagements during the reporting period increased significantly from the last (ex: increasing the number of port visits from 11 to 18 and total in-person engagements with fisheries partners from 13 to 25).

Strategies used by Bluepoint Wind to execute our fisheries engagement activities during the reporting period included the following:

- Bluepoint Wind's Fisheries Liaisons conducted 18 port visits covering fishing ports from New Bedford, MA to Cape May, NJ. These port visits resulted in 99 in person interactions with commercial fisheries stakeholders. These visits included Joint Offshore Wind Developer Port Hours in New Bedford, MA, Point Judith, RI, and Montauk, NY (in coordination with MA/RI OSW leaseholders) as well as individual and small group visits to commercial ports in NJ.
- Notices and updates on both upcoming and ongoing survey activities as well as notification upon the conclusion of survey work were emailed to over 612 fisheries stakeholders, including state and regional fisheries organizations, some of which forwarded the communication to their members.
- Other fisheries stakeholders were contacted by email, phone calls and text messages to create awareness of the Bluepoint Wind Project and keep them informed of upcoming survey activities.

- Attended six (6) regional Fisheries Management Council meetings. Attendance included both in person and remote participation as well as attendance of full Council meetings and convenings of Advisory Panels and Committees. Of note, Bluepoint Wind attended the NEFMC Scallop Advisory Panel and Committee meeting in March 2024 to provide project updates via a Joint Developer Notice prepared by the fisheries teams of Bluepoint Wind, Community Offshore Wind, Attentive Energy, and Leading Light Wind in advance of the New York Bight Scallop Rotational Area reopening. Through council meeting attendance, Bluepoint Wind Fisheries Liaisons had the opportunity to connect with various fisheries stakeholders such as the executive directors of the New Bedford Port Authority and Long Island Commercial Fishing Association, and staff from the NOAA Fisheries, the Nature Conservancy, and Conservation Law Foundation. Bluepoint Wind maintained communications with the Fisheries Management Councils to ensure that all relevant fisheries Project information was readily available to council staff and updated on their offshore wind webpages.
- Attended two (2) recreational fishing expos in NJ and NY to provide project information and updates to recreational anglers.
- Organized meetings with the New Bedford Port Authority and Commercial Fisheries Center of Rhode Island who are prominent fisheries organizations in the region discuss and solicit feedback on Navigation Safety to incorporate into the Navigation Safety Risk Assessment (NSRA). Other NSRA feedback was collected via informal question and answer during port hours and port visits.
- Bluepoint Wind attended offshore wind and fisheries-related academic seminars.

Bluepoint Wind's fisheries deconfliction activities included the following:

- Pre-survey fisheries training for all survey vessels prior to deployment and at crew changes,
- Pre-survey port visits to provide in person updates to members of the commercial fishing industry,
- Maintenance of real time group communication between survey vessels, Bluepoint Wind's survey managers, and the Fisheries Liaison,
- Involvement in shared communication channels with Fisheries Liaisons affiliated with projects in the New York Bight to distribute information on fixed gear locations provided by fishers, and
- Regular communication with fishers both in advance of and during surveys who may be impacted by survey activities and using their information to deconflict survey operations.
- Providing notice to fishing industry members via email when survey activity had concluded.

3.1.3 Stakeholders

Bluepoint Wind stakeholder engagement has continued to expand since the last progress report through continued stakeholder meetings, attendance at local events, and local speaking engagements. Bluepoint Wind aims to serve as a resource for local organizations and individuals for any questions, and to provide updates on our progress throughout the lifespan of the Project. Stakeholder meetings have increased with a focus on industry updates as well as insight into the progress of the Project to date. Bluepoint Wind continues to attend a number of community events (See Table 4). These stakeholder engagement activities included the following:

- Knowledge sharing, Q&A, open discussion, progress updates meetings
- Participation and sponsorship of local events
- Presentations at local events

Table 4 Engagement with Parties During Reporting Period

Focus of Discussion or engagement	Party(ies)	Follow up Actions / Activities / Outcomes	Coordinated Engagement with other NY Bight and Other Lessees
Agencies			
NY Bight Leaseholders monthly meeting	BOEM	Coordination and updates between BOEM and NY Bight Leaseholders on PEIS and other topics	Meetings facilitate coordination between NY Bight Leaseholders
Bi-weekly Project updates	BOEM	Various	N/A
Update on PDE	USCG	No issues identified. Continue engagement as development progresses	N/A
COP PDE and schedule	BOEM, NOAA, NOAA Fisheries, EPA, USACE, USCG, USFWS	Continue coordination as development progresses. Keep agencies informed of timeline	N/A
Incidental Harassment Authorization (IHA)	NOAA Fisheries	Coordination on renewal of Bluepoint Wind's IHA	N/A

Focus of Discussion or engagement	Party(ies)	Follow up Actions / Activities / Outcomes	Coordinated Engagement with other NY Bight and Other Lessees
Offshore cable crossings discussion.	United States Navy	Cleared Department of Defense Clearinghouse review. Continued coordination and development of crossing agreements as project progresses.	N/A
Offshore cable routing relative to USCG aids to navigation, navigation channels, and anchorages	USCG	No issues identified. Continue coordination as final cable routing decisions are made.	N/A
Onshore routing in New York overview	NYSDEC, NY SOGS, NYS Parks, NYS Agriculture and Markets (AGM), NYSDOT	Discussed onshore routing within New York	N/A
Onshore routing in New York	NYSDOT	Discussed onshore routing on NYSDOT jurisdictional roadways	N/A
Onshore routing in New Jersey	NJ DOT	Discussed onshore routing on NJ DOT jurisdictional roadways	N/A
Fisheries			
Meeting attendance	New Bedford Port Authority (NBPA)	Meetings with the executive staff of the New Bedford Port Authority to discuss navigation safety.	Navigation Safety meeting with NBPA was not attended by other developers. Joint developer port hours are hosted at the New Bedford Port Authority during winter months. Developers maintain a close relationship with executive staff.

Focus of Discussion or engagement	Party(ies)	Follow up Actions / Activities / Outcomes	Coordinated Engagement with other NY Bight and Other Lessees
Meeting attendance	Commercial Fisheries Center of Rhode Island (CFRCI)	Meeting with executive directors of the Commercial Fisheries Center of Rhode Island to discuss navigation safety.	N/A, Navigation Safety meeting with CFRCI was not attended by other developers. However, CFRCI regularly attends joint developer port hours in Point Judith RI.
Meeting attendance (multiple meetings)	NEFMC	Scallop fishery update, offshore wind discussions	Multiple offshore wind developers are involved and active and the fisheries liaisons interact
Meeting attendance (regular standing call)	ACP Fisheries Subcommittee	Knowledge sharing and outreach coordination for fisheries topics	Multiple offshore wind developers are involved including the NY Bight Fisheries Working Group
Meeting attendance	ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group	Knowledge sharing and coordination for NY Bight specific efforts	Regularly scheduled interactions with other Fisheries Liaisons affiliated with NY Bight leases
Meeting attendance	MAFMC	Collected information and attended meeting sessions on surf clam/ocean quahog fishery updates and attended update sessions on Offshore Wind and fisheries compensation.	Fisheries Liaisons from multiple developers maintain communication with Council staff and attend meetings jointly
Meeting attendance	NYSERDA F-TWG	Hold FTWG meeting 3/29	Involves state agencies, developers, commercial fishers, and fishing industry groups
Meeting attendance (multiple meetings)	Responsible Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA)	Discussion of ROSA priorities including research and development of Regional Monitoring Plans for fisheries AP meeting 3/29	Involved regulators, fishing industry, OSW developers, and scientists

Focus of Discussion or engagement	Party(ies)	Follow up Actions / Activities / Outcomes	Coordinated Engagement with other NY Bight and Other Lessees
Conference Attendance	Cooperative Research Summit	Summit focused on collaborative science between fishing industry and partners. Intersection between OSW and fisheries was the subject of multiple presentations and panels.	Multiple OSW developers from the NYB and MA/RI lease areas attended. Fishing industry members, researchers, and regulators were in attendance as well.
Expo Attendance	Freeport Fishing Show	Provided project information to recreational fishing community on Long Island.	N/A Bluepoint Wind was the only developer in attendance
Expo Attendance	Saltwater Fishing Expo, Edison NJ	Provided project information and answered questions from the recreational fishing community in NJ. Connected with recreational fishing clubs and scientific organizations on potential collaboration.	Bluepoint Wind and Leading Light Wind coordinated on attending the event as exhibitors. Attentive Energy attended but did not host a booth but attended.
Stakeholders			
Navigational Safety Risk Assessment (NSRA) outreach (multiple meetings)	13 commercial Vessel Operators and Organizations	Held multiple meetings with commercial maritime and fisheries stakeholder groups to support NSRA analysis	N/A
Meeting attendance (regular standing call)	ACP Environmental Subcommittee	Knowledge sharing and coordination on industry-wide permitting topics	Multiple offshore wind developers are involved including NY Bight developers
NY State/Regional Science Collaboration	NYSERDA eTWG	Stakeholder discussions on measures to avoid, minimize, and mitigate anticipated impacts on wildlife during OSW activities	Participation involves collaboration with research scientists, eNGOs, wildlife agencies, and other developers for best science practices, data sharing & management, study design, new technology, and the identification of research priorities

Focus of Discussion or engagement	Party(ies)	Follow up Actions / Activities / Outcomes	Coordinated Engagement with other NY Bight and Other Lessees
NY State/Regional Maritime Collaboration	Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS)	Knowledge sharing of Lease Area dynamics for passive acoustic monitoring (PAM) buoy deployment for Marine Mammal, Habitats & Ecosystems	Research fishing trends in Lease Area for recommendation to WCS for PAM research buoy deployment.
NY State/Regional Maritime Collaboration	NYSERDA mTWG	Stakeholder discussions on advancing current and future offshore wind projects while minimizing impacts to other maritime users.	All NY Bight developers have a seat on this working group along with NY State/federal agency representatives and other maritime users.
Regional Science Collaboration	Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC)	Knowledge sharing and participation in subcommittees: Avian & Bat, Marine Mammal, Habitats & Ecosystems, Protected Fish, and Sea Turtles.	Collaborative working group with regional interest stakeholders
Local Non-Profit Meetings	Local Workforce Development, Wraparound Services, and various specialized organizations	Follow up meetings on programming support and updates	Various support mechanisms for local events in the short term, and long-term partnership opportunities
Higher Education Meetings	State Colleges, Universities, and University Affiliated Research Labs	Serve as an ongoing resource to provide updates and insight into the industry and relevant projects	Sponsor upcoming events and serve as guest speaker to introduce the Project and industry
Local Event Attendance	Various local events, networking sessions, and knowledge transfer events	Listen to local feedback, projects and concerns. Continue to provide insight into the status of the industry and updates of various projects	Conduct follow up meetings with local groups and universities to give project updates and answer industry-related questions

Focus of Discussion or engagement	Party(ies)	Follow up Actions / Activities / Outcomes	Coordinated Engagement with other NY Bight and Other Lessees
Local Conference Attendance	Conferences/symposiums run by local universities, organizations, and interest groups	Serve as an on-site industry resource for individuals and groups and table, when possible, to share Bluepoint Wind project progress	Sponsorship and speaking engagements with local groups

3.2 Identification of Potential Project Effects Related to Parties

Potential effects by the Project and how Bluepoint Wind plans to address these potential effects are listed in Table 5. Potential effects to Tribes/Tribal Nations from the Project are addressed in Section 2.2 and Table 2.

3.2.1 Agencies

Bluepoint Wind engaged with a number of federal, state, and local agencies in New York State and New Jersey during the Reporting Period to discuss various COP assessment approaches, PDE, and COP Schedule. These agencies have provided valuable feedback on cable siting, underwater noise modelling, permit process and timing, and other useful information.

3.2.2 Fisheries

Bluepoint Wind’s Fisheries Liaisons engaged with commercial and recreational fisheries often during the reporting period through port visits, attendance at fisheries management council meetings, government and industry-related working groups, recreational fishing expos, and industry events (e.g., NEFSC Cooperative Research Summit), and direct outreach (e.g., one-on-one meetings, email, phone calls). Outreach focused on providing information on Bluepoint Wind’s geophysical and geotechnical survey activities, gathering feedback from the industry on navigation safety, and socializing project design with fishers. Through these engagement activities, Bluepoint Wind identified fisheries concerns and implemented procedures, communications, and vessel trainings to address potential effects during surveys as well as help inform project design and mitigation potential AMMMs. As the industry has matured and projects continue to evolve, local fisheries, among other parties, have expressed concerns over possible effects of potential Electric and magnetic Fields (EMFs) associated with export cables and onshore cabling. The Project has utilized fact sheets and resources generated by

BOEM, NOAA, and other industry groups to share related information to these stakeholders. In the coming reporting period, the Project plans to prepare in house documentation to address evolving concerns around EMFs and other possible impacts to marine and onshore environments.

3.2.3 Stakeholders

Bluepoint Wind has engaged with numerous local non-profits focused on workforce development, supply chain, and overall community interests, as well as state universities and colleges, research centers, and business partnership groups. Following these discussions, Bluepoint Wind discussed opportunities to support local programming and events to raise awareness about the Project, the offshore wind industry, and opportunities for local businesses to support the supply chain. Follow up meetings have been focused on Project updates and discussion around updated Project activities.

Table 5 Potential Effects and Input from Parties on Project Design or Implementation

Potential Effect	Affected Party(ies)	Efforts to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
Agencies		
Project updates are not shared with agencies in an early fashion.	Federal and State Agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hosted inter-agency meeting in 2023Q4 to discuss PDE, COP, and schedule Regular meetings with BOEM to advise all processes and to discuss PDE, COP, and schedule. Discussed assessment approaches and survey plans to identify potential effects Conducted outreach with regulatory agencies in New York on preliminary onshore routing
Fisheries		
Fishing gear loss	Commercial fishers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-survey fisheries training for vessel crew Fisheries liaison port visits and stakeholder engagement Pre-survey reconnaissance Gear Loss Compensation procedure

Potential Effect	Affected Party(ies)	Efforts to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion and review of fishermen's questions about possible gear loss related to surveys • Presentation created for fishers about technical aspects of OSW survey • Participation in shared communication channels between Fisheries Liaisons of NY Bight projects to distribute fixed gear locations with permission from fishermen
Temporary displacement during surveys	Commercial and recreation fishers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear communication in advance and following the completion of survey activity • Proactive dissemination of survey information, time of operation, equipment types • Utilize fishing area closures to complete activities when fishers are absent, to extent feasible
Presence of Structures	Commercial and recreation fishers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed fisheries specific project design presentation to present on during meetings with fishing organizations. • Discussed predominant tow direction with Fisheries Representative and a retired multi-fishery captain who informed staff grid direction aligns with predominant tow direction for mobile gear. • Collected feedback on scour protection and preferred materials from members of the recreational fishing community.
EMFs	Commercial and recreational fishers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide information available from scientific and reputable bodies • Collect feedback and concerns surrounding export cable routing and mitigation measures • Generate plan to create in house informational sheets to address evolving concerns
Presence of Cables	Commercial and recreational fishers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collected information regarding cable burial preferences (6 foot minimum).

Potential Effect	Affected Party(ies)	Efforts to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Received feedback on potential methods to minimize amount of seabed cabled (ex: possibility for shared inter-array networks)
Cooling Stations	Commercial and recreational fishers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collecting feedback on potential impacts and mitigation measures. Continue collecting feedback and determining best methods to convey materials and address concerns.
Stakeholders		
Economic development and job opportunities	Local Workforce Development Organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up meetings to discuss programming, training, and job opportunities as the project progresses and gathers more feedback Frequent discussions around wraparound services and employment support mechanisms at a local level Bidirectional conversations to understand existing workforce development programs that can be expanded through industry investment to fit the anticipated demand in workforce skills
Knowledge sharing and transparency	Local community organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open lines of communication for project and industry updates Frequent meeting opportunities for questions and concerns, in both closed door and public forums

3.3 Feedback from Parties on Transmission Planning

Bluepoint Wind engaged with a number of federal agencies during the Reporting Period to discuss PDE and Project development, as noted above and has incorporated agency feedback to the extent practicable. Bluepoint Wind has also discussed siting with Tribes/Tribal Nations and the Maritime Industry. Much of the outreach around transmission planning outreach during the Reporting Period was geared towards hearing fishers’ logistical and economic concerns for any potential construction affecting benthic species, such as scallops. As a result of this feedback, Bluepoint Wind Fisheries Liaisons and its Fisheries Representatives researched, in coordination with trusted validators and partners in the New

York, New Jersey and Massachusetts mariner's communities, strategic opportunities to engage with fishers and respond to their concerns. As a result of that work, the Bluepoint Wind fisheries team has created outreach materials around anticipated PDE and construction impact and mitigation efforts, such as scour protection. Bluepoint Wind will continue to work with these Parties and others, as the Project PDE evolves. Bluepoint Wind will be able to provide more information and seek input about its export cable routing from other stakeholders as it moves beyond the early pre-development stage.

3.4 Anticipated or Scheduled Engagement Activities

Table 6 describes anticipated engagement activities Bluepoint Wind plans to initiate/attend during the next reporting period (November 1, 2023 – April 30, 2024). Anticipated or scheduled engagement with Tribes/Tribal Nations during the next reporting period are covered in Section 2.4.

3.4.1 Agencies

Bluepoint Wind will continue to meet individually or jointly with agencies to provide updates on Project development, discuss Project design and assessment approaches, and understand potential concerns and critical points of engagement as Bluepoint Wind advances its COP development.

3.4.2 Fisheries

Bluepoint Wind will continue to maintain the current level of fisheries engagement and communication, as well as seek out additional opportunities to share information regarding activities and further develop trusting relations with fishers. Bluepoint Wind will also continue to collaborate with other developers within the NY Bight and nearby wind energy areas to coordinate activities and provide fisheries-related updates in a manner beneficial to fishers.

3.4.3 Direct Interaction with Fishers

Bluepoint Wind's Fisheries Liaisons will continue conducting individual port visits and joint developer Port Hours and dialogue with fishers at New York and New Jersey ports as well as other relevant ports in the region (New Bedford, MA and Port Judith, RI). The Fisheries Representative position will continue to be funded by Bluepoint Wind to provide fishers with a contact for conveying project-related concerns to Bluepoint Wind.

3.4.4 Fisheries Management, Research, and Industry Group Meetings

Bluepoint Wind's Fisheries Liaisons and other representatives will continue to attend the MAFMC and NEFMC meetings, fisheries and environmental monitoring related workshops hosted by academic institutions (ex: Rutgers University, Kean University, etc.), fisheries research-related seminars sponsored by regulatory agencies (BOEM, NOAA Fisheries, 142 Lafayette Street, Newark, NJ 07105

NJEDA), and fisheries working group meetings such as the NYSERDA F-TWG, ROSA, ACP Fisheries Subcommittee, and ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group. Attendance and participation in these activities will keep Bluepoint Wind up to date on important regulatory changes, new research and emerging technologies, and fisheries stakeholder comments and concerns.

3.4.5 Fisheries Communications

Bluepoint Wind's Fisheries Liaisons and other staff will continue communications with fishers through website updates, e-mail, phone, and text messages regarding important project updates. Bluepoint Wind will engage in additional efforts as new activities are planned or as new needs or concerns associated with fisheries are identified.

3.4.6 Stakeholders

Bluepoint Wind recognizes the importance of engaging with its stakeholders and values their input in the development of our Project. We continue to engage with stakeholders to provide updates on Project and industry progress. We strive to maintain a conducive environment of collaboration and transparency to gather stakeholder input on Project design. As the Project progresses, we plan to continue holding consistent meetings to understand evolving concerns, address new questions, and keep the communities informed of industry updates.

3.4.7 Stakeholder Meetings

The intent of these meetings is for our team to hear the concerns and answer questions from local organizations about the Project and to raise awareness around the offshore wind industry. We continue to hold meetings to hear the concerns of stakeholders as the Project reaches key milestones, to ensure we are making thoughtful decisions with input from the groups that our Project could potentially impact. Furthermore, as the industry grows and other projects reach milestones, we hope to serve as a resource for community groups to better understand possible effects.

3.4.8 Informal Discussions

While attending local events, we continue to hold discussions with individuals and representatives from local organizations to serve as a resource for any questions or concerns related to Bluepoint Wind or offshore wind in general. While at events we will continue to host spaces to share updates, information, and hold informative discussions around the Project.

3.4.9 Local Events

Attending and sponsoring local events is important to create awareness around offshore wind and our Project. During these events, we continue to serve as an open resource for networking, information sharing, and answering any questions that may arise. Additionally,

we continue to increase our speaking engagements on relevant topics in the industry such as workforce development and building an inclusive supply chain.

3.4.10 Conference Attendance

Participating in and supporting local conferences hosted by universities, non-profits, or other community groups on sustainability, climate, and energy is a crucial area for engagement. Bluepoint Wind will continue to be present in, and contribute to, relevant academic and industry discussions, research sharing, and general networking on renewable energy. At these conferences, Bluepoint Wind plans to continue to exhibit or present to provide insight into the industry and updates of our Project and offshore wind in the local region.

Table 6 Anticipated Engagement with Parties for the Next Reporting Period

Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement	Party(ies)	Anticipated Coordinated Engagement
Agencies		
Bi-weekly meeting with BOEM to discuss project updates	BOEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilize weekly meetings to cover project updates, COP timeline, and impact assessments
COP and PDE development	BOEM, USFWS, NOAA, NOAA Fisheries, USACE, USCG, EPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi-agency meeting
NY Bight meetings	BOEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All meetings are held with six NY Bight Lessees
Benthic Survey Results	NOAA Fisheries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A
Project update and underwater noise modelling	NOAA Fisheries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A
Project introduction	EPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A
Project update	USACE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A
Protocol update	USFWS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A
Project update	NJDEP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A
Project update and CZMA	NYSDOS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A

Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement	Party(ies)	Anticipated Coordinated Engagement
Fisheries		
Survey coordination for projected late 2024/early 2025 geotechnical scope	Commercial and recreational fishers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilize ACP’s NY Bight Fisheries Working group to continue developing coordinated engagement strategies Joint developer port hours Joint developer information sessions at fisheries council meetings
Multiple fisheries concerns with offshore wind (e.g., monitoring needs, federal survey mitigation, regional compensation fund approach)	Commercial and recreational fishers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance at regional science groups and academic institutions focusing on fisheries issues (NYSERDA F-TWG, ROSA)
PDE Input	Commercial and recreational fishers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue scheduling meetings regarding project design and collecting feedback from fishing industry members.
Stakeholders		
Project Introductions	Local Non-Profits, State Colleges, Universities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meetings to introduce the Project, offshore wind, and the landscape of renewable energy
Project Updates	Local Non-Profits, State Colleges, Universities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meetings to serve as a resource for project progress updates as well as answer questions as to the overall offshore wind industry
Local Event Sponsorship	Local community groups, business partnership groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued event sponsorship to raise awareness for local organizations to promote workforce development, underway or are planned wraparound services, and overall community development

Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement	Party(ies)	Anticipated Coordinated Engagement
Local Conference Attendance and Presentations	Universities, local government, research centers and community groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serve as a resource for attendees and provide information via formal and informal engagements around project initiatives and industry milestones

4 SURVEY PLAN ACTIVITIES

Bluepoint Wind does not have any active survey campaigns underway at the time of this report, however geophysical and geotechnical survey activities were conducted during the Reporting Period. During this Reporting Period, Bluepoint Wind has operated under the following received authorizations:

- Incidental Harassment Authorization (IHA) for use of site characterization equipment in the New York Bight on March 1, 2023 and IHA renewal on March 1, 2024.
- Nationwide Permit (NWP) #6 authorization for geotechnical activities in New Jersey state waters from USACE on June 2, 2023
- General Permit #23 authorization from NJDEP for geotechnical activities in New Jersey state waters on July 24, 2023
- Waterfront Development Individual Permit authorization for geotechnical activities in New Jersey state waters from NJDEP on August 18, 2023.
- New York and USACE Joint Permit Application authorizations:
 - NYC Waterfront Revitalization Program on June 1, 2023
 - Water Quality Affirmation on June 20, 2023
 - Nationwide Permit #6 on June 26, 2023
 - Coastal Consistency General Concurrence on July 11, 2023

There is a possibility to conduct further geotechnical survey activities in the Lease Area in 2024. Additionally, Bluepoint Wind received a renewal of the 2023 IHA from NOAA on March 1, 2024, which will expire on February 28, 2025. This permit renewal will allow for additional geophysical activities to occur should Bluepoint Wind need to obtain additional geophysical survey data; however, Bluepoint Wind is not planning on conducting additional geophysical surveys at this time. Table 7 includes survey activities that completed or are planned.

Survey activities have been and will be conducted in accordance with the approved plans/permit received thus far.

Table 7 Survey Plan Activities Under BOEM Review or Underway

Type of Survey	Survey Activity Date	Purpose (i.e., what it will inform)	Location Description
Geophysical & Geotechnical Surveys	Completed Q1 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COP development • Site characterization /ground model development • Siting and engineering design 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lease Area • Along potential export cable routes in federal and state waters
Geotechnical Investigations	Q2/Q3 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Siting and engineering design 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lease Area

APPENDIX A: TRIBES AND OTHER PARTIES RELEVANT TO THE PROJECT

In accordance with the lease stipulation 3.1.1, Bluepoint Wind has identified Tribes/Tribal Nations and other parties in which are relevant to the Project, see Table A-1 and Table A-2. Tribes/Tribal Nations and other parties include, but are not limited to:

- Coastal Communities
- Commercial and Recreational Fishing Industries
- Educational and Research Institutions
- Environmental and Public Interest Non-Governmental Organizations
- Federal Agencies
- State Agencies
- Local Agencies
- Federally recognized Tribes (see 5.3.3)
- Mariners and the Maritime Industry
- Ocean Users
- Submarine Cable Operators
- Underserved Communities, as defined in Section 2 of Executive Order 13985

A-1. Federally Recognized Tribes Relevant to the Project

Name of Tribe/Tribal Nations
• Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
• Delaware Tribe of Indians
• Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
• Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation
• Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe
• Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut
• Shawnee Tribe ³
• Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians
• The Delaware Nation

³ The Shawnee Tribe requested to not be contacted regarding activities associated with NY Bight projects, as stated by BOEM representative via e-mail correspondence on May 25, 2023; as such Bluepoint Wind would not engage in communication with the Shawnee Tribe until BOEM provided guidance to re-engage. Bluepoint Wind and BOEM discussed the Shawnee Tribe’s request on April 25, 2024 where BOEM verbally stated Project engagement with Tribes/Tribal Nations is solely between the Lessee and each specific Tribe/Tribal Nation.

Name of Tribe/Tribal Nations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Narragansett Indian Tribe
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Shinnecock Indian Nation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah)

Table A-2 Parties Relevant to the Project

Name of Party	Party Type
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advisory Council on Historic Preservation National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service United States Army Corps. Of Engineers United States Coast Guard United States Department of Defense United States Environmental Protection Agency United States Fish and Wildlife Services 	Federal Agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection New Jersey Board of Public Utilities New York State Department of Environmental Conservation New York State Department of State New York State Department of Transportation New York State Office of General Services New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation New York State Public Service Commission New York State Energy Research and Development Authority 	State Agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> County governments Municipal governments 	Local Agencies and Coastal Communities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Universities and Colleges Local Universities University Research Labs Non-Profit Education Organizations 	Educational and Research Institutions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chambers of Commerce Non-Profit Workforce Development Organizations 	Economic Development Organizations

Name of Party	Party Type
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Non-Profit Organizations • Wraparound Service Groups • Community Based Organizations 	Underserved Communities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-Profit Environmental Organizations • Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative • Responsible Offshore Science Alliance • New York State Energy Research and Development Authority Environmental Technical Working Group (e-TWG) 	Environmental Organizations and Working Groups
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fishing vessel operators, owners, and crews • Commercial fishing organizations, associations, and NGOs • Port Managers and Port Authorities • Fishermen’s Cooperatives • Seafood Processors • Regional Fisheries Management Councils • NOAA Port Agents • NOAA Law Enforcement Liaisons • Regional Fisheries offices e.g., Northeast Fisheries Science Center, NOAA 	Commercial Fishing Industry
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vessel owners and captains • For hire charter and “party fishing boats” • Marinas and similar facilities • Recreational fishing associations • Fishing Expo and trade show organizers 	Recreational Fishing Industry
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Port Managers and Port Authorities • Marine Pilots • Maritime Associations • Tug and barge operators • Cargo and Tanker operators 	Maritime Industry/Mariners
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submarine cable operators through Lease Area • Submarine cable operators crossing potential ECR in New York Bight area 	Submarine Cable Operators
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Institutions • Aquariums • Marine tour agencies (bird and whale watching tours) • Recreational boaters • Other Offshore Wind developers 	Ocean Users

APPENDIX B: LESSEE AND LIAISON CONTACT INFORMATION

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APPENDIX C: COMMUNICATIONS PLANS

Please find the following Communications Plans status/location listed below.

1. Native American Tribes Communication Plan is located [here](#).
2. Fisheries Communication Plan is located [here](#).
3. Agency Communication Plan is located [here](#).