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Executive Summary

This Progress Report is prepared in accordance with Invenergy California Offshore LLC's (Invenergy; Lessee) Commercial Lease OCS-P 0565 (Lease), which requires that Invenergy submit a Progress Report to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) every six months through the Construction and Operations Plan approval process. This Progress Report covers the reporting period **June 1, 2023, to November 30, 2023**. As required by Addendum C, Section 3.1.1 of the Lease, this Progress Report documents overall project progress and engagement activities undertaken with agencies, Native American Tribes, communities, ocean user groups, and the public over the reporting period, as well as plans for continued engagement.

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

ACP	American Clean Power
AL	Agency Liaison
BESS	Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement
BOEM	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
CAISO	California Independent System Operator
CAUSE	Central Coast Alliance for a Sustainable Economy
CCC	California Coastal Commission
CCOWL	California Council of Offshore Wind Leaseholders
CDFW	California Department of Fish & Wildlife
CEC	California Energy Commission
CPUC	California Public Utilities Commission
CSLC	California State Lands Commission
Invenery; Lessee	Invenery California Offshore LLC
Lease Area	Lease Area OCS-P 0565
NAHC	Native American Heritage Commission
NATCP	Native American Tribal Communications Plan
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
project	Even Keel Wind project on Lease OCS-P 0565
U.S.	United States
USCG	United States Coast Guard
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service

1 Purpose and Background

1.1 Purpose

This Progress Report is prepared in accordance with Commercial Lease OCS-P 0565, which requires that Invenergy Wind Offshore LLC (Invenergy; Lessee) submit a Progress Report to Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) every six months through the Construction and Operations Plan approval process. This Progress Report covers the reporting period **June 1, 2023, to November 30, 2023**. As required by Addendum C, Section 3.1.1 of the Lease, this Progress Report documents overall project progress and engagement activities undertaken with agencies, Native American Tribes (Tribes), communities, ocean user groups, and the public over the reporting period as well as plans for continued engagement.

1.2 Lessee Information

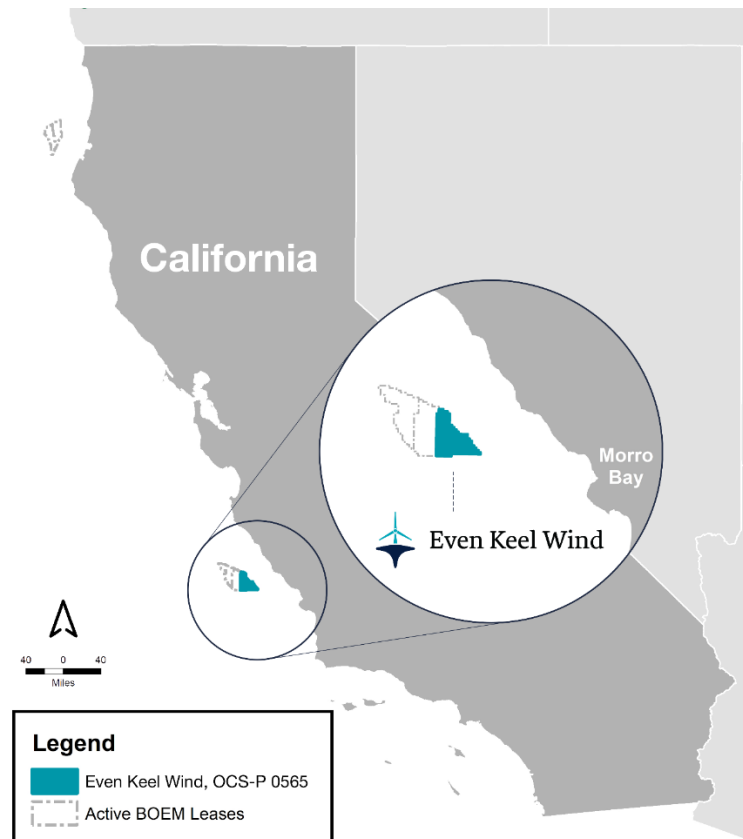
Invenergy, a leading privately-held developer, owner and operator of sustainable energy solutions, is the leaseholder for Commercial Lease OCS-P 0565. Invenergy is an American-led team with over 20 years of experience developing clean energy solutions across the United States and globally. Invenergy has successfully developed over 200 projects worldwide comprising over 31 gigawatts of projects that are in operation, construction, or contracted. In addition to Even Keel Wind, Invenergy is the lead developer of Leading Light Wind, an offshore wind project located in the New York Bight.

1.3 Lease Description

On June 1, 2023, Invenergy executed an offshore wind lease in the Morro Bay Wind Energy Area. Lease OCS-P 0565 is located more than 20 miles from the closest location onshore and encompasses approximately 80,000 acres of the Outer Continental Shelf. See Figure 1. Invenergy intends to build the Even Keel Wind Project (project) on Lease OCS-P 0565 which will include wind turbine generators and offshore substation(s) as well as export cables connecting to California's onshore electrical grid.

Invenergy is establishing protocols for offshore and onshore data collection and surveys that will be undertaken to characterize the project site and inform project layout, design, and engineering. The data will support preparation and submittal of a Construction and Operations Plan to BOEM. Upon receipt of a complete Construction and Operations Plan, BOEM will provide a Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement, which will initiate the process to analyze potential impacts of the project and identify proposed avoidance, minimization, mitigation, and monitoring measures.

Figure 1. OCS-P-0565 (Even Keel Wind) and Other Active BOEM Lease Areas



2 Tribal Engagement

Under the direction of a Tribal Liaison (Appendix B), Invenergy has initiated engagement with Tribes that the California Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) identified as “traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area” of the project. This list was provided by the NAHC to Invenergy on July 24, 2023. In addition, BOEM notified the Central Coast leaseholders that four Washington Tribes requested engagement due to concerns about impacts to migratory species. The full list of Tribes that Invenergy is seeking to engage with is included in Appendix A.

Invenergy has been working collaboratively with the other two Central Coast leaseholders, Golden State Wind and Equinor, in an effort to reduce the overall burden on Tribes. Tribes have given positive feedback on this approach, with multiple Tribes noting that they are under resourced to engage with the multitude of people that reach out to them with meeting and document review requests. From August-October, the Central Coast leaseholders worked together to survey the identified Tribes on communications preferences and identify which Tribes would be interested in meeting to discuss the development of a draft Native American Tribes Communications Plan (NATCP). Together, the three leaseholders hosted a single meeting for each interested Tribe to introduce the three projects and discuss communications preferences to inform the NATCP. In addition, the Tribal Liaison held email and telephone conversations with these Tribes to receive feedback. The feedback received to date has been incorporated into a joint NATCP that is applicable to all three leaseholders.

Tribes that have not actively engaged to date include the following. The Quileute Tribe (Washington) responded that they did not want to meet before the NATCP is drafted but would like to review the draft NATCP. The Hoh responded that they

are interested in the projects and would discuss their preferred communications approach with their Tribal Council; we have not yet received a determination from the Council. Two Tribes, Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians and Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut Tribe, indicated that they were interested in meeting to discuss the draft NATCP; however, the Tribes have not yet responded to follow-up emails or phone calls. The Chumash Council of Bakersfield, San Luis Obispo County Chumash Council, Makah Tribe (Washington), and Quileute Tribe (Washington) did not respond to outreach efforts. Invenery will continue its outreach efforts to each of these Tribes in coordination with the Central Coast leaseholders by sending the draft NATCP and again offering the opportunity to comment.

2.1 Overall Tribal Engagement Progress

Invenery engaged with those Tribes identified by the California NAHC as “traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area” of the project, as well as the additional four Washington Tribes identified by BOEM. Tribal engagement focused primarily on information sharing regarding the drafting of the joint NATCP. Table 1 includes a summary of engagement activities Invenery conducted with Tribes during the reporting period.

Table 1. Tribal Engagement During Reporting Period

Date	Tribe(s)	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
5/18/2023	Northern Chumash Tribal Council; Northern Chumash yak tit̓u tit̓u yak t̓ihini (ytt)	Introduction to Tribal members through a dinner hosted by Northern Chumash Tribal Council (in person)	Information sharing
8/14/2023	Quileute Tribe	Responded via email to initial outreach indicating preference to review draft Native American Tribes Communications Plan (NATCP)	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/11/2023	San Luis Obispo County Chumash Council	Introductory letter sent to the Tribe.	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/25/2023	Tule River Indian Tribe	Introductory meeting to discuss communications preferences to inform the draft NATCP (virtual)	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/25/2023	Xolon-Salinan Tribe	Introductory meeting to discuss communications preferences to inform the draft NATCP (virtual)	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/25/2023	Coastal Band of the Chumash Nation	Introductory meeting to discuss communications preferences to inform the draft NATCP (in person)	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/26/2023	Salinan Tribe of Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties	Introductory meeting to discuss communications preferences to inform the draft NATCP (in person)	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/26/2023	Northern Chumash Tribal Council	Introductory meeting to discuss communications preferences to inform the draft NATCP (in person)	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/26/2023	Northern Chumash yak tit̓u tit̓u yak t̓ihini (ytt)	Introductory meeting to discuss communications preferences to inform the draft NATCP (in person)	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/31/2023	Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians	Responded via telephone to initial outreach indicating preference to review draft NATCP	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/10/2023-10/20/2023	Chumash Council of Bakersfield	Sent emails to Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) listed email address, called NAHC listed phone number, messaged Tribal pages on social media, and colleague at Golden State Wind traveled to NAHC listed address	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback

Date	Tribe(s)	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
10/10/2023-10/20/2023	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Sent emails to NAHC listed email addresses, called NAHC listed phone numbers, and left messages with cultural resources administration assistant	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/10/2023-10/20/2023	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Sent emails to NAHC listed email addresses, called NAHC listed phone numbers, and left messages with cultural resources administration assistant	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/10/2023-11/3/2023	Hoh	Sent emails to NAHC listed email addresses, called NAHC listed phone numbers, and left messages with cultural resources administration assistant	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/10/2023-11/3/2023	Quinault Indian Nation	Sent emails to NAHC listed email addresses, called NAHC listed phone numbers, and left messages with cultural resources administration assistant	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
10/10/2023-11/3/2023	Makah	Sent emails to NAHC listed email addresses, called NAHC listed phone numbers, and left messages with cultural resources administration assistant	Share draft NATCP with the option to provide feedback
11/28/23	All Tribes	Draft NATCP sent to Tribes to invite comments and additional contributions	Receive comments to inform NATCP

2.2 Identification of Potential Project Effects Related to Tribal Interests

Invenergy is early in the engagement process with Tribes given this is the first lease reporting period. Discussions to date have primarily focused on introductions and input regarding communications preferences. Specific Tribal input on potential effects and other factors that would influence project design and implementation has been limited. Table 2 includes a high-level summary of Tribal input received during the reporting period.

Table 2. Potential Effects and Tribal Input on Project Design or Implementation During Reporting Period

Potential Effect	Affected Tribe	Effort to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation has been Informed
Overall inefficiency of sharing information between Tribes, BOEM, and Lessees	All	Invenergy will engage with Tribes, Lessees, and BOEM to identify opportunities for better information sharing. Lessees are developing a joint Native American Tribes Communications Plan to facilitate efficient interactions with Tribes.
Visual Resources	Northern Chumash yak titvu titvu yak tithini (ytt); Northern Chumash Tribal Council; Salinan Tribe of Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties; Coastal Band of the Chumash Nation; and others who have not yet identified this concern to us.	Invenergy will engage with Tribes further to identify important viewshed considerations when conducting its viewshed analysis and developing approaches to avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate visual impacts.

Potential Effect	Affected Tribe	Effort to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation has been Informed
Impacts to archaeological resources	Northern Chumash yak titvu titvu yak tilhini (ytt); Northern Chumash Tribal Council; Salinan Tribe of Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties; Coastal Band of the Chumash Nation; and others who have not yet identified this concern to us.	Invenergy will engage with Tribes further to discuss specific impacts of concern and approaches to avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate such impacts.
Impacts to marine species	All	Invenergy will engage with Tribes further to discuss specific impacts of concern and approaches to avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate such impacts.
Anticipated impacts to other cultural and Tribal cultural resources	All	Invenergy will engage with Tribes further to discuss specific impacts of concern and approaches to avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate such impacts.

2.3 Tribal Feedback on Transmission Planning

Invenergy is early in the project development process given this is the first lease reporting period. Invenergy has not yet commenced transmission planning for the project. As the development process matures, potential transmission points of interconnection and cable routes will be discussed with Tribes to seek their feedback.

2.4 Anticipated or Scheduled Tribal Engagement Activities

Table 3 includes a summary of anticipated or scheduled engagement activities to be conducted with Tribes during the next reporting period.

Table 3. Anticipated Tribal Engagement Activities for the Next Reporting Period

Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement	Tribe(s)	Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees
Meetings with Tribes in December 2023 to inform the final NATCP	All	Coordination on the joint NATCP, soliciting feedback from Tribes, and establishing future touchpoints for coordination with Tribes
Meetings with Tribes to discuss viewshed analysis	Northern Chumash yak titvu titvu yak tilhini (ytt); Xolon-Salinan Tribe; Coastal Band of the Chumash Nation; Salinan Tribe of Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties; Northern Chumash Tribal Council; Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians (additional Tribes as requested)	Conduct jointly with other leaseholders if practicable
Pre-survey meetings (e.g., geophysical, geotechnical, benthic)	All	Each leaseholder will be conducting surveys on individual schedules; opportunities for shared engagement will be explored when practicable

3 Engagement with Potentially Affected Parties

This section provides a summary of Invenergy’s engagement activities with Potentially Affected Parties including federal, state, and local agencies as well as fisheries and other stakeholders.

Invenergy has conducted outreach with federal, state, and local agencies, fisheries, and other stakeholder groups as described in the following sections. Invenergy designated an Agency Liaison (AL) (Appendix B) for the project and submitted the draft Agency Communication Plan to BOEM on September 29, 2023. Additionally, Invenergy designated a Fisheries Liaison Officer (Appendix B) for the project and submitted the draft Fisheries Communication Plan to BOEM on October 27, 2023. The draft Agency Communication Plan and Fisheries Communication Plan are posted to the project’s web page¹ and attached as Appendix C.

3.1 Summary of Federal Agency Engagement Activities

Invenergy is early in the engagement process with federal agencies given this is the first lease reporting period. Discussions to date have primarily focused on introductions and input regarding communications preferences. Table 4 provides a summary of engagement activities conducted with federal agencies during the reporting period.

Table 4. Engagement Activities with Federal Agencies During the Reporting Period

Date	Federal Agency	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
5/24/2023	Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary	Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Research activities	Information sharing
7/20/2023	U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)	Introductory meeting and discussion of data	Information sharing
7/21/2023	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)	Introductory meeting and discussion with Migratory Bird Specialist	Information sharing
8/25/2023	BOEM	Communications plans, waiver/extension requests, and survey requirements discussion	Information sharing
9/6/2023	BOEM, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Federal Aviation Administration, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, USCG, U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, USFWS, U.S. Navy	Email outreach introducing Invenergy and the project, requesting points of contact and participation in development of draft Agency Communication Plan	Invitation to draft Agency Communication Plan meeting (held on 9/21/2023)
9/21/2023	BOEM, NOAA, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, USCG, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, USFWS, U.S. Navy	Summary of draft Agency Communications Plan and request for input	Revised draft Agency Communication Plan posted on project web page
10/18/2023	USCG	Publishing draft Fisheries Communication Plan via the Local Notice to Mariners	Process defined, points of contact identified, and confirmation of article published

¹ <https://evenkeelwind.invenergy.com/documents>

Date	Federal Agency	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
10/23/2023	BOEM	Draft Fisheries Communication Plan engagement	Confirmed meeting invitees list, shared invite, and supplied a meeting summary with attendance record and additional topics deemed important by attendees
10/31/2023	NOAA Fisheries	NOAA Fisheries briefing from both the Northwest and Southwest Fisheries Science Centers to five California offshore wind leaseholders	Shared the broad range and types of surveys occupied historically along the West Coast, identified potential for survey gaps due to BOEM Wind Energy Areas, looking to collaboration with leaseholders regarding their information needs
11/1/2023	BOEM	Monthly Invenery and BOEM meeting	Monthly meeting between BOEM and Invenery
11/17/2023	BOEM	Proposed Chumash National Marine Sanctuary	Information sharing
11/27/2023	NOAA	Proposed Chumash National Marine Sanctuary with Central Coast leaseholders	Information sharing

3.2 Summary of State Agency Engagement Activities

Invenery is early in the engagement process with state agencies given this is the first lease reporting period. Discussions to date have primarily focused on introductions and input regarding communications preferences. Table 5 provides a summary of engagement activities conducted with state agencies during the reporting period.

Table 5. Engagement Activities with State Agencies During the Reporting Period

Date	State Agency	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
5/11/2023	California Coastal Commission (CCC)	Offshore wind briefing at Commission hearing	Information sharing
6/15/2023	California Energy Commission (CEC)	Project check-in	Information sharing
8/28/2023	California Department of Fish & Wildlife (CDFW)	Marine fisheries data tool utility and website queries to illustrate fishery participation	Discussed strategies for future project communications
9/6/2023	CCC, CDFW, California Department of Parks and Recreation, CEC, California Environmental Protection Agency, California Fish and Game Commission, California Independent System Operator (CAISO), California Natural Resources Agency, California Office of Historic Preservation, California State Lands Commission (CSLC), California State Water Resources Control Board, Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board	Email outreach introducing Invenery and the project, requesting points of contact and participation in development of draft Agency Communication Plan	Invitation to draft Agency Communication Plan meeting (held on 9/21/2023)

Date	State Agency	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
9/21/2023	CCC, CDFW, CEC, CSLC, Department of Transportation, Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board	Summary of draft Agency Communications Plan and request for input	Revised draft Agency Communication Plan posted on project web page
9/28/23	California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)	Integrated Resource Planning and offshore wind	Information sharing
10/4/23	CPUC	Integrated Resource Planning and offshore wind	Information sharing
10/13/2023	CCC	CCC Statewide Fisheries Working Group (membership, governance, potential work products, and overall expectations)	Working Group begins Dec. 6, 2023, and ongoing through 2025
Monthly starting February 2023	CEC	Regular California leaseholder/ Agency Communication Plan check-in (AB 525, Permitting Roadmap)	Information sharing
11/1/2023	CCC; CSLC	Central Coast Offshore Wind Information Session	Information sharing, public stakeholder comments
11/7/23	CAISO	Project introduction	Information sharing
11/8/2023	CCC	Share suggestions and questions regarding the Coastal Commission Fisheries Working Group meeting, including five California leaseholders	Information sharing

3.3 Summary of Local Agency Engagement Activities

Invenergy has initiated and continues engagement with local agencies, primarily focused on information sharing and introductions to project staff and liaisons. Table 6 provides a summary of engagement activities conducted with local agencies during the reporting period.

Table 6. Engagement Activities with Local Agencies During the Reporting Period

Date	Local Agency	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
5/10/2023	City of Morro Bay; San Luis Obispo County	Project introductions with Central Coast leaseholders	Information sharing
5/18/2023	City of Morro Bay	Project introduction	Information sharing
6/06/2023	Port San Luis Harbor District	Project introduction; information sharing among the three Central Coast leaseholders and local stakeholders	Information sharing
6/07/2023	City of Morro Bay	Information sharing among the three Central Coast leaseholders and local stakeholders	Information sharing
7/18/2023	Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce	Project introduction	Information sharing
7/25/2023	Port of Long Beach	Site visit	Information sharing

Date	Local Agency	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
9/6/2023	City of Morro Bay, City of Morro Bay Harbor Department, Monterey Bay Air Resources District, Monterey County, Port San Luis, San Luis Obispo County	Email outreach introducing Invenergy and the project, requesting points of contact and participation in development of draft Agency Communication Plan	Invitation to draft Agency Communication Plan meeting (held on 9/21/2023)
9/18/2023	Port San Luis Harbor District	Introduce Fisheries Liaison Officer and discuss draft Fisheries Communications Plan	Continued coordination to provide project updates
9/19/2023	City of Morro Bay	Introduce Fisheries Liaison Officer, discuss the Fisheries Communications Plan and upcoming plans	Continued coordination to provide project updates
9/21/2023	City of Morro Bay, City of Morro Bay Harbor Department, Monterey Bay Air Resources District, Port San Luis, San Luis Obispo County	Summary of draft Agency Communications Plan and request for input	Revised draft Agency Communication Plan posted on project web page
10/31/2023	Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce	Project check-in	Information sharing
11/1/2023	City of Morro Bay; San Luis Obispo County	Central Coast Offshore Wind Information Session	Information sharing, public stakeholder comments

3.4 Summary of Fisheries Engagement Activities

Invenergy has conducted outreach to over a dozen local and statewide fishing associations/organizations and individual fishermen to introduce the project and receive feedback on communications preferences to inform the draft Fisheries Communications Plan. Invenergy has worked closely with the other two Central Coast leaseholders to identify opportunities to coordinate engagement. In September 2023, the three leaseholders intended to host a Fisheries Communications Plan outreach meeting with two local fisheries organizations, Morro Bay Commercial Fishermen’s Organization and Port San Luis Commercial Fisherman’s Association, but the two organizations declined to participate the week before the meeting. Subsequently, Invenergy hosted a virtual meeting to engage a broader group of fisheries organizations and individuals. Invenergy invited the two local fisheries organizations to participate as well to support coordinated engagement. Table 7 provides a summary of fisheries engagement activities conducted during the reporting period.

Moving forward, the three leaseholders intend to coordinate fisheries engagement activities, when practical, to reduce the overall burden on the fishing community. The Fisheries Liaison Officer for each company meet regularly to connect on upcoming activities and have ambitions to combine meetings (such as monthly port hours) and identify other opportunities for collaboration. Invenergy will continue to engage regional fishing community members in future project activities.

Table 7. Fisheries Engagement Activities During Reporting Period

Date	Stakeholder(s)	Engagement Objective	Outcome
6/02/2023	Morro Bay Commercial Fishermen’s Organization; Port San Luis Fisherman’s Association	Project introduction and discussion of fishing priorities with Central Coast leaseholders	Information sharing
6/5/2023	Commercial Fishermen of Santa Barbara	Project introduction	Information sharing

Date	Stakeholder(s)	Engagement Objective	Outcome
9/11/2023	Pacific Fisheries Management Council	Shared the draft Fisheries Communication Plan with the public via Pacific Fisheries Management Council's online Briefing Book to collect feedback from the Marine Planning Committee, fishing participants, and the public	Suggested outreach for albacore fishery resume in late October as they fish West Coast wide
9/18/2023	Port San Luis Harbor District	Introduce Fisheries Liaison Officer to the Harbor Director and discuss outreach to inform the draft Fisheries Communications Plan	Information sharing and relationship building
9/19/2023	City of Morro Bay	Introduce the Fisheries Liaison Officer discuss outreach to inform the draft Fisheries Communications Plan	Information sharing and relationship building
10/9/2023	MBCFO and PSLFA	Follow-up discussion on details in the proposed benefits agreement with Central Coast leaseholders	Information sharing
9/6/2023	California Association of Harbormasters and Port Captains; California Coastal Commission; California Fishermen's Resiliency Association; Central California Joint Cable/Fisheries Liaison Committee; Central Coast Women for Fisheries, Inc.; California Department of Fish and Wildlife; City of Morro Bay Harbor; Coastal Troller's Association; Commercial Fishermen of Santa Barbara; Fishermen's Association of Moss Landing; Monterey Bay Fisheries Trust; Morro Bay Community Quota Fund; Pacific Fisheries Management Council–Marine Planning Committee; Port San Luis Harbor District; Recreational Fishermen of America; San Diego Anglers Club; San Francisco Community Fishing Association; Ventura County Commercial Fishermen's Association	Email outreach introducing Invenergy and the project, requesting points of contact and participation in development of draft Fisheries Communication Plan	Invitation to draft Fisheries Communication Plan meeting (held on 10/23/2023)
10/23/2023	Alliance of Communities for Sustainable Fisheries; Bodega Bay Fishermen's Marketing Association; Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM); California Wetfish Producers Association; Institute for Fisheries Resources; Joint Oil/Fisheries Liaison Office of South/Central California; Morro Bay Commercial Fisherman's Organization; Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations; Western Fishboat Owners Association	Draft Fisheries Communications Plan outreach meeting to share information and request feedback on draft Fisheries Communications Plan	Invenergy considered and incorporated relevant stakeholder input into the final Fisheries Communications Plan

3.5 Summary of Other Engagement Activities

Although early in the project development process given this is the first lease reporting period, Invenergy has begun conversations with academic institutions and non-governmental organizations to discuss environmental research,

monitoring needs, technological advancements, and education. Table 8 provides a summary of engagement activities conducted with other stakeholders.

Table 8. Engagement Activities with Other Stakeholders During the Reporting Period

Date	Stakeholder	Meeting Objective	Outcome
5/8/2023–5/11/2023	Pacific Offshore Wind Summit	Invenery panel participation	Information sharing
5/26/2023	Central Coast Alliance for a Sustainable Economy	Project introduction	Information sharing
7/10/2023	Scripps Institution of Oceanography	Research priorities	Information sharing
7/13/2023	NRDC, National Audubon Society, The Ocean Foundation, Ocean Conservation Research, California Marine Sanctuary Foundation, Monterey Bay Aquarium, Environmental Defense Center, Center for Biological Diversity	Project introductions with all California leaseholders	Information sharing
8/8/2023	Cal Poly	Department of Energy grant proposal	Information sharing; Invenery support of Cal Poly’s proposed “Center of Excellence”
11/28/2023	Cal Poly, San Luis Coastal Education Foundation	Project introduction	Information sharing

3.6 Potential Effects and Input from Parties on Project Design or Implementation

Table 9 provides a summary of potential project effects related to federal, state, local, parties and other stakeholders and their input on project design and implementation during the reporting period. Invenery is early in the stakeholder engagement process given this is the first lease reporting period. Discussions to date have primarily focused on introductions and input regarding communications preferences. Specific input on potential effects that would influence project design and implementation has been limited.

Table 9. Potential Effects and Input from Parties on Project Design or Implementation During the Reporting Period

Potential Effect	Affected Party	Effort to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation has been Informed
Extent of impact in the marine environment	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Consideration will be given to consolidating infrastructure needs during project development; shared cables and cable routes will be difficult given technological constraints and varied points of interconnection

3.7 Anticipated or Scheduled Engagement Activities

Table 10 provides a summary of anticipated or scheduled engagement activities with federal, state, local, parties and other stakeholders.

Table 10. Anticipated or Scheduled Engagement with Parties for the Next Reporting Period

Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement	Party	Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees
Continued fisheries engagement consistent with Fisheries Communications Plan	Fisheries, Pacific Fisheries Management Council, and Marine Planning Committee	Opportunities to conduct coordinated engagement will be explored consistent with Fisheries Communication Plan
Continued Tribal engagement consistent with Joint Native American Tribes Communication Plan	Tribes	Opportunities to conduct coordinated engagement will be explored consistent with Joint Native American Tribes Communication Plan
Continued agency engagement consistent with Agency Communications Plan	Federal, state, and local agencies	Opportunities to conduct coordinated engagement will be explored consistent with Agency Communication Plan
Data collection strategy	Fisheries, Tribes, and applicable agencies	None expected given individual timelines and data needs unless a shared data collection strategy is established
Pre-survey planning	Fisheries, Tribes, and applicable agencies	None expected given individual timelines and data needs unless a shared data collection strategy is established
Scientific partnerships	Scientific and educational organizations, fisheries, Tribes, and applicable agencies	Opportunities to conduct coordinated science will be explored

4 Survey Plan Activities Under BOEM Review or Underway

Tables 11 and 12 provide a summary of Invenery’s survey plan activities and coordination with BOEM.

Table 11. Survey Plan Activities Under BOEM Review or Underway

Type of Survey	Survey Activity Date or Proposed Date	Purpose	Location Description
None during reporting period			

Table 12 provides a summary of anticipated or modified survey activities.

Table 12. Anticipated or Modified Survey Plan Activities

Type of Survey	Survey Activity Date or Proposed Date	Purpose	Location Description
None during reporting period			

5 Accessibility

Invenery is committed to engaging all stakeholders in ways that are accessible. Some of the considerations that will inform our future outreach to individuals with Limited English Proficiency include:

- Directing budget and project resources to providing consistent, ongoing translation and interpretation services across stakeholder engagement activities and materials.

- Providing translation and interpretation services as needed at in person, virtual, or hybrid events hosted by Invenery and simplified processes for participation.
- Providing translated project materials at all public facing engagements as needed.
- Using visuals or diagrams where possible in project materials.
- Creating a centralized resource on the project web page for translated materials.
- Conducting additional research to identify priority languages in key project communities to identify all priority languages in addition to Spanish.

6 Coordinated Engagement

Throughout the reporting period, Invenery has worked closely with the other California offshore wind leaseholders on joint advocacy related to emerging legislation, policy, and guidance (e.g., AB 525). In addition, Invenery and the two other Central Coast leaseholders have coordinated efforts on Tribal engagement and fisheries engagement (as described above), participated jointly in local community events and agency meetings, and met bi-weekly on permitting topics. These collaborative efforts have received compliments from state agencies and Tribes.

Invenery is also a member of the American Clean Power (ACP) Association's California Council of Offshore Wind Leaseholders (CCOWL) which was established in October 2024. The CCOWL is a coalition of offshore wind leaseholders dedicated to advancing the development of offshore wind energy projects along California's coast. CCOWL seeks to harness the economic, environmental, and clean energy benefits of offshore wind to help California meet its sustainability and renewable energy goals. The council members are Invenery, RWE, Equinor, Golden State Wind, and Vineyard Offshore; membership will be open to future leaseholders going forward. Coordinated by ACP, the CCOWL facilitates collaboration among California leaseholders and shared advocacy.

As the development process continues, Invenery will explore additional ways to facilitate coordinated engagement on topics such as research, data collection, project layouts, and monitoring. Information will be shared via future Progress Reports.

APPENDIXES

Appendix A Tribes and Other Parties Relevant to the Project

Table A-1. Tribes/Tribal Nations Potentially Relevant to the Project

Name of Tribe
Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
Tule River Indian Tribe
Xolon-Salinan Tribe
Coastal Band of the Chumash Nation
Salinan Tribe of Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties
Northern Chumash Tribal Council
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Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians
Chumash Council of Bakersfield
Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut Tribe
San Luis Obispo County Chumash Council
Hoh Tribe (Washington)
Makah Indian Tribe of the Makah Indian Reservation (Washington)
Quileute Tribe (Washington)
Quinault Indian Nation (Washington)

Table A-2. Parties Relevant to the Project

Name of Party	Party Type(s)
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management	Federal Agency (FA)
Bureau of Safety and Environmental	FA
Department of Defense	FA
Environmental Protection Agency	FA
Federal Aviation Administration	FA
National Marine Fisheries Service	FA
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	FA
United States Army Corps of Engineers	FA
United States Coast Guard	FA
United States Fish and Wildlife	FA
United States Navy	FA
California Coastal Commission	State Agency (SA)
California Natural Resources Agency	SA
California Department of Fish and Wildlife	SA

Name of Party	Party Type(s)
California Department of Parks and Recreation	SA
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	SA
California Environmental Protection Agency	SA
California Fish and Game Commission	SA
California Office of Historic Preservation	SA
California State Lands Commission	SA
California State Water Resources Control Board	SA
Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board	SA
California Ocean Protection Council	SA
California Energy Commission	SA
California Independent Systems Operator	SA
California Public Utility Commission	SA
City of Morro Bay	Local Agency (LA)
Monterey Bay Resources Air District	LA
Monterey County	LA
San Luis Obispo County	LA
Port San Luis Harbor District	LA
Pacific Fisheries Management Council	Tribal, State, Federal, or Other Working Group or Forum (WG)
Marine Planning Committee	WG
Cal Poly San Luis Obispo	Educational and Research Institutions (ERI)
San Luis Coastal Education Foundation	ERI
Commercial Fishermen of Santa Barbara	Commercial Fishery Industry (CFish)
Morro Bay Commercial Fishermen's Organization	CFish
Morro Bay Community Quota Fund	CFish
Port San Luis Commercial Fisherman's Organization	CFish
Marine Alliances Consulting	CFish

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Appendix C Communications Plans

Communications Plans	
Agency Communication Plan	https://evenkeelwind.invenergy.com/assets/img/INV_EvenKeel_Draft-ACP_20230929.pdf
Fisheries Communication Plan	https://evenkeelwind.invenergy.com/assets/pdfs/leadinglightoffshore/EKW_FisheriesCommunicationsPlan_2023_10_27.pdf
Native American Tribal Communications Plan	Due January 7, 2024, per extension granted