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Executive Summary

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

ACP	American Clean Power
BOEM	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
CAISO	California Independent System Operator
Caltrans	California Department of Transportation
CAUSE	Central Coast Alliance for a Sustainable Economy
CCC	California Coastal Commission
CCOWL	California Council of Offshore Wind Leaseholders
CDFW	California Department of Fish and Wildlife
CEC	California Energy Commission
CEJA	California Environmental Justice Alliance
CFish	Commercial Fishery Industry
CPUC	California Public Utilities Commission
CSLC	California State Lands Commission
EKW	Even Keel Wind
ERI	Educational and Research Institutions
FA	Federal Agency
FLO	Fisheries Liaison Officer
Invenergy; Lessee	Invenergy California Offshore LLC
LA	Local Agency
Lease Area	Lease Area OCS-P 0565
Lease	Commercial Lease 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
SA	State Agency
Tribes	Native American Tribes
U.S.	United States
WEA	Wind Energy Area
WG	Working Group Forum
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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 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 from **December 1, 2023, to May 31, 2024**. 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

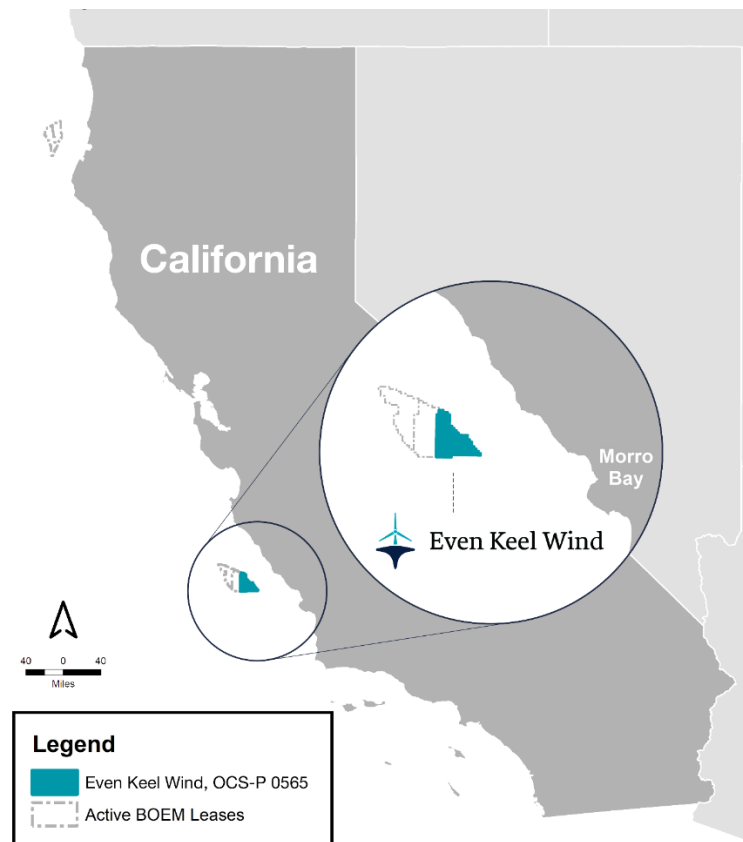
Invenergy, a leading, privately held developer, owner, and operator of sustainable energy solutions, is the leaseholder for Commercial Lease OCS-P 0565. Invenergy is an American-led team with over 20 years of experience developing clean energy solutions across the United States and globally. Invenergy has successfully developed over 200 projects worldwide comprising over 31 gigawatts that are in operation, construction, or contract. 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 the 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 of analyzing 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

Invenergy continues engagement with Tribes in accordance with the Central Coast Lessee's Joint Native American Tribes Communications Plan (NATCP) which is included in Appendix A. Invenergy works collaboratively with the other two Central Coast lessees (Golden State Wind and Atlas Wind) to reduce the overall communications burden on Tribes. Tribal feedback on this approach has been positive. From November 2023 to January 2024, the Central Coast lessees met with Tribes to discuss the details of the NATCP and incorporated Tribal feedback into the final draft, which was submitted to BOEM on January 26, 2024.

On May 2, 2024, the Central Coast lessees sent the Tribes the first quarterly update committed to in the NATCP. This communication included a summary of joint lessee activities (including a link to the final NATCP), project-specific updates, helpful links, local perspectives and fact-checking, opportunities for Tribal members, and general information on geophysical surveys. The update also included an offer to schedule a meeting with any interested Tribes to discuss project updates or other topics of interest.

In addition to joint activities, Invenergy individually reached out to Tribes to introduce Invenergy's new Head of Offshore Development, Daniel Runyan, and discuss issues of importance to them. Invenergy also joined the California Energy Commission's question and answer session with NAHC-listed Tribes on April 10, 2024.

2.1 Overall Tribal Engagement Progress

Tribal engagement focused primarily on information sharing regarding the NATCP and project updates. Table 1 includes a summary of engagement activities Invenergy conducted with Tribes during the reporting period.

Table 1. Tribal Engagement during Reporting Period

Date	Tribe(s)	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objectives	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
12/05/2023	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Outreach phone call to all NAHC-listed contacts, no answer, left voicemail with contacts	Scheduled 01/10/2024 introductory meeting with the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
12/06/2023	All	Email invite to NATCP webinar	Scheduled 12/11/23 NATCP Webinar
12/07/2023	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Follow-up phone call to all NAHC-listed contacts, follow-up call to Sam Cohen via cellphone listed in his office voicemail message, a text message from Sam Cohen to contact Edgar Alvarez	Scheduled 01/10/2024 introductory meeting with the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
12/11/2023	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Phone call and email to discuss the Tribe's interest in the 12/11/23 webinar for the NATCP	Scheduled 12/21/23 NATCP Webinar
12/11/2023	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut; Tule River Indian Tribe; Xolon/Salinan Tribe; Northern Chumash Tribal Council	Webinar for NATCP (virtual)	Updated the NATCP in consideration of comments received
12/11/2023 through 12/13/2023	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Follow-up phone calls, text messages, and email communications to NAHC-listed contacts including Sam Cohen and Edgar Alvarez	Scheduled 01/10/2024 introductory meeting with Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
12/13/2023	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Outreach email to all NAHC-listed contacts regarding the 12/11/23 webinar and discuss scheduling a follow-up meeting with the Tribe	Scheduled 01/18/2024 meeting

Date	Tribe(s)	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objectives	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
12/14/2023	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Email to all NAHC-listed contacts to provide current contact information and a commitment to follow up in January 2024 for an introductory meeting	Scheduled 01/10/2024 introductory meeting with Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
12/19/2024	Northern Chumash yak titvu titvu yak tilhini	Discussion of NATCP (virtual)	Updated the NATCP in consideration of comments received
12/21/2023	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Follow up phone call and email to all NAHC-listed contacts to schedule follow-up meeting, no answer	Scheduled 01/18/2024 meeting with Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut
01/03/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Follow-up phone call and email to all NAHC-listed contacts to schedule follow-up meeting	Scheduled 01/18/2024 meeting with Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut
01/03/2024	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Phone call with Sam Cohen to discuss scheduling an introductory meeting with the Tribe, follow up via email	Scheduled 01/10/2024 introductory meeting with Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
01/04/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Email discussion on scheduling a NATCP meeting and email invite for 01/18/2024 meeting	Scheduled 01/18/2024 meeting with Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut
01/04/2024	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Email from Tribe requesting background materials ahead of the 01/10/2024 meeting	01/10/2024 meeting participation
01/09/2024	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Submittal of background materials to the Tribe	01/10/2024 meeting participation
01/10/2024	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Introductory meeting (virtual)	A follow-up meeting to be scheduled with the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians' cultural department at a later date
01/11/2024	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Phone call to check in with Tribe	Have leadership connect at a future meeting; scheduled for 05/14/2024 at the Pacific Offshore Wind Conference
01/18/2024	Northern Chumash Tribal Council	Discussion of NATCP (virtual)	Received comments to inform NATCP

Date	Tribe(s)	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objectives	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
01/18/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Discussion of NATCP (virtual)	BOEM conducted a follow-up meeting with the Tribe; the Central Coast leaseholders to schedule a separate follow-up meeting to discuss the three lease areas more generally
01/24/2024	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Phone call, general engagement	None
01/29/2024 through 01/31/2024	Multiple	Tribal Offshore Wind Summit 2024	None
02/21/2024	Northern Chumash Tribal Council	Discussion of Tribal priorities (in person)	Information sharing
02/23/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Phone call to schedule follow-up meeting, no answer	Follow-up call
03/01/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Phone call to schedule follow up meeting, no answer	Follow-up call
03/11/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Phone call to schedule follow-up meeting, discussed with Samantha McCarty, follow-up email	Follow-up email
03/12/2024	Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians	Email to confirm the information shared	None
03/22/2024 through 03/26/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Emails to schedule follow-up meeting	Follow-up email
04/10/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Email to schedule 04/24/2024 meeting	Scheduled a meeting for 04/24/2024 (later cancelled by Tribe)
04/10/2024	Northern Chumash yak tit'yu tit'yu yak tiłhini; Blue Lake Rancheria; Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians; Xolon/Salinan Tribe	CEC hosted an open question and answer session for all five leaseholders and all NAHC-listed Tribes (virtual)	Follow-up on specific questions if CEC receives any
04/11/2024	All	Email introducing Daniel Runyan as Invenergy's new Head of Offshore Development; request for meetings between Tribal and Invenergy leadership	Schedule meetings with interested Tribes, as requested
04/15/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Email to request topics for the meeting	Scheduled meeting 04/24/2024

Date	Tribe(s)	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objectives	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
04/15/2024	Northern Chumash Tribal Council	Introduction to Elena Giusto (email)	Schedule a meeting with Elena Giusto
04/17/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Phone call to request topics for the meeting	Scheduled meeting 04/24/2024
04/18/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	Phone call to request topics for meeting, spoke with Samantha McCarty	Scheduled meeting 04/24/2024
04/19/2024	Salinan of Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties	Discussion of emerging issues	Received ideas for future Tribal benefits
04/19/2024	All	Emailed BOEM-approved NATCP	Shared NATCP with the option to provide feedback, as requested
04/22/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	The Tribe sent an email indicating they were unable to attend the meeting scheduled for 04/24/2024	Discussed a potential follow-up meeting
04/23/2024	Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut	The Tribe emailed leaseholders a letter in opposition to offshore wind in the Pacific Ocean	Email response to the Tribe acknowledging the letter and the leaseholders' commitment to engagement
04/26/2024	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Schedule introduction meeting	Scheduled a 05/14/2024 introductory meeting
05/14/2024	Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians	Introduction to Invenergy's Head of Offshore Development	Information sharing
05/29/2024	BOEM	Call about inclusion of Pulikla Tribe of Yurok People (formerly Resighini Rancheria) in the Joint NATCP	Introduction of Pulikla Tribe of Yurok People (formerly Resighini Rancheria)
05/30/2024	Pulikla Tribe of Yurok People (formerly Resighini Rancheria)	Introductory email	Information Sharing

2.2 Identification of Potential Project Effects Related to Tribal Interests

Invenergy's discussions with Tribes to date have primarily focused on introductions and input regarding communication preferences. Specific Tribal input on potential effects and other factors that would influence project design and implementation has been minimal. 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	Invenery will engage with Tribes, Lessees, and BOEM to identify opportunities for better information sharing. Lessees developed a Joint Native American Tribes Communications Plan to facilitate efficient interactions with Tribes.
Impacts to visual resources	All; input provided to date from Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokuts, Northern Chumash yak titvu titvu yak tiłhini (ytt), Northern Chumash Tribal Council, Salinan Tribe of Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties, and Coastal Band of the Chumash Nation	Invenery 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.
Impacts to marine species	All	Invenery will engage with Tribes further to discuss specific impacts of concern and approaches to avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate such impacts.
Impacts to other cultural and Tribal cultural resources	All	Invenery 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

Invenery 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
Information sharing, project updates	All	Joint quarterly updates
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; Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut; (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’s Agency Communications Plan and Fisheries Communications Plan, which were submitted and accepted by BOEM during this reporting period, are included in Appendix C.

3.1 Summary of Federal Agency Engagement Activities

Federal agency engagement focused primarily on information sharing regarding project updates. 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
12/04/2024	BOEM	Submitted revisions to the ACP	Finalize Agency Communications Plan (ACP)
12/05/2024	BOEM	Meeting to discuss SAP strategy	Continued coordination on SAP approach, possible follow-up meeting
12/20/2023	BOEM	Submitted revisions to the FCP in response to stakeholder's feedback	Update latest version and post to Project website Fisheries Communications Plan (FCP)
12/21/2023	BOEM	Meeting to discuss updates on NATCP	Finalize NATCP
01/03/2024	BOEM	Monthly project check-in	Continued coordination
01/22/2024	BOEM	Submitted extension request for NATCP	Finalize NATCP
01/24/2024	BSEE	Introductory in-person leaseholder engagement	Continued coordination, virtual or in-person
01/24/2024	BOEM	Introductory in-person leaseholder engagement	Continued coordination, set up regular check-in meetings
01/26/2024	BOEM	Submitted NATCP	BOEM sent comments to be addressed in an updated NATCP
02/07/2024	BOEM	Monthly project check-in	Continued coordination
03/06/2024	BOEM	Monthly project check-in	Continued coordination
03/11/2024	BOEM	Tribal engagement	Information sharing
03/14/2024	BOEM	Submitted updated NATCP	BOEM sent comments to be addressed in an updated NATCP
03/28/2024	Department of Defense (DOD)	Leaseholder engagement	Continued coordination
04/08/2024	BOEM	Submitted updated NATCP	Post NATCP on the website
04/12/2024	BOEM	Leaseholder engagement	Continued coordination
05/14/2024	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)	Introduction to Invenergy leadership	Continued coordination
05/15/2024	DOI and BOEM	Introduction to Invenergy leadership	Continued coordination

Date	Federal Agency	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
05/20/2024 through 05/21/2024	BOEM	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group Meeting (in-person)	Developers, fishing representatives, California fishery managers, and federal agencies discuss relevant issues to collectively determine fisheries mitigation pathways for potentially impacted fisheries interests
5/21/2024	U.S. Coast Guard	Email about Local Notice to Mariners / project updates	Continued coordination
5/22/2024	BOEM	Email request to add Resighini Rancheria to NATCP	Coordinate with Central Coast lessees and Resighini Rancheria

3.2 Summary of State Agency Engagement Activities

State agency engagement focused primarily on relationship building and information sharing regarding project updates. Specific discussions were held with multiple agencies and the fishing industry through the CCC Offshore Energy and Fisheries Working Group on topics such as best management practices and mitigation for potential fisheries related impacts. 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
01/14/2024	California Energy Commission (CEC)	Leaseholder engagement	Information sharing
01/16/2024	California Independent System Operator (CAISO)	Invenergy introduction	Continued coordination
01/17/2024	CEC	Tribal engagement	Information sharing
01/17/2024	California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)	Project engagement	Information sharing
01/25/2024	California Coastal Commission (CCC)	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group check-in	Information sharing
01/29/2024	CCC	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group, Subgroup #1 Meeting	Discuss and determine best management practices for site surveys to share with the broader Working Group, ongoing

Date	State Agency	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
02/05/2024	CCC	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group, Subgroup #1 Meeting	Discuss and determine best management practices for site surveys to share with the broader Working Group, ongoing
02/05/2024	CPUC	Project engagement	Information sharing
02/08/2024	CCC	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group check-in	Information sharing
02/22/2024	CCC	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group Meeting	Developers, fishing representatives, California fishery managers, and federal agencies discuss relevant issues to collectively determine fisheries mitigation pathways for potentially impacted fisheries interests
02/26/2024	CEC	Leaseholder engagement	Information sharing
02/28/2024	CCC	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group Meeting	Developers, fishing representatives, California fishery managers, and federal agencies discuss relevant issues to collectively determine fisheries mitigation pathways for potentially impacted fisheries interests
03/04/2024	CAISO	Project engagement	Information sharing
03/12/2024	CPUC	Project engagement	Information sharing
03/28/2024	CEC	Leaseholder engagement	Information sharing
04/03/2024	CPUC	Project engagement	Information sharing
04/05/2024	CEC	Tribal engagement	Information sharing
04/12/2024	CCC	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group, Subgroup #1 Meeting	Review and refine list of best practices identified in Subgroup #1 to bring forward to the broader Working Group
04/17/2024	CEC	Tribal engagement, check-in	Information sharing
04/17/2024	CCC	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group check-in	Information sharing
04/18/2024	CEC	Leaseholder engagement	Information sharing
05/01/2024	CPUC	Project engagement	Information sharing

Date	State Agency	Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s)	Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes
05/03/2024	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group members	Discuss CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group, Subgroup #2 materials	Develop draft best practices for surveys
05/06/2024	CCC	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group, Subgroup #2 Meeting	Discuss fisheries agreements
05/09/2024	CCC	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group check-in	Information sharing
05/09/2024	California Marine Sanctuary Foundation	Industry Working Group Kickoff Meeting; discuss monitoring guidance	Introductions, information sharing
05/10/2024	CCC	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group, Subgroup #1 Meeting	Discuss best practices for surveys
05/14/2024	California Labor and Workforce Development Agency	Introduction to Invenergy leadership	Continued coordination
05/15/2024	CAISO	Project engagement	Information sharing
05/20/2024 through 05/21/2024	CCC, CEC, California State Lands Commission (CSLC), California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group Meeting (in-person)	Developers, fishing representatives, California fishery managers, and federal agencies discuss relevant issues to collectively determine fisheries mitigation pathways for potentially impacted fisheries interests

3.3 Summary of Local Agency Engagement Activities

Local agency engagement focused primarily on relationship building and information sharing regarding project updates. 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
03/11/2024	City of Morro Bay	Discuss strategies for stakeholder engagement	Information sharing
02/26/2024	Port San Luis	Coordination ahead of planned port hours for fisheries outreach	Information sharing
02/26/2024	Morro Bay Harbor	Coordination ahead of planned port hours for fisheries outreach	Information sharing
03/06/2024	Port San Luis	Discuss future port hours for fisheries outreach	Information sharing
03/06/2024	Morro Bay Harbor	Discuss future port hours for fisheries outreach	Information sharing
05/16/2024	Morro Bay Harbor Director and Morro Bay Officials	Introduction to Invenergy leadership	Information sharing

3.4 Summary of Fisheries Engagement Activities

Invenergy is participating in the CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group, which has a wide variety of fisheries stakeholders as members. Invenergy participates in multiple Working Group Subgroups and engages with individual members to advance the goals of the Working Group. These activities are listed above in Table 5. Invenergy also participates in the Pacific Fisheries Management Council meetings to stay informed on fishing activities and share project updates.

In February 2024, Invenergy hoped to begin monthly port hours in both Morro Bay and Port San Luis, in collaboration with the other two Central Coast lessees. Unfortunately, Invenergy was forced to cancel this event due to planned protests. The cancellation was partly due to safety concerns and crowd control issues and was also at the request of one of the harbor managers. Invenergy has requested suggestions from both harbor managers to determine a way to best move forward with port hours in the future.

Moving forward, the three leaseholders intend to continue coordinated fisheries engagement activities, when practical, to reduce the overall burden on the fishing community. The Fisheries Liaison Officers (FLOs) for all three companies meet regularly to connect on upcoming activities. 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
02/20/2024	Pacific Fisheries Management Council's Ad Hoc Marine Planning Committee Meeting	Virtual attendance for information sharing and accessibility of stakeholders to FLO	Information sharing
02/27/2024	Fisheries stakeholders	Morro Bay (02/28) and Port San Luis Harbor (02/27), Morro Bay WEA Lessees Coordinated Port Hours	Cancelled for safety reasons due to planned protests
03/08/2024	Pacific Fisheries Management Council's Ad Hoc Marine Planning Committee	EKW FLO introduction to Council and Committee members and to fisheries stakeholders active in fishery management decision-making at the Fresno, California, meeting to ensure accessibility of stakeholders to FLO	EKW FLO and adjacent lessee FLOs were available in the Groundfish Advisory Panel and the Salmon Advisory to answer questions on the project and offshore wind; FLO established communications with these two fishery advisory bodies
12/06/2023 through 05/21/2024	CCC Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group members (see Table 5 for details)	Statewide strategy for offshore wind energy and fisheries	Nascent stages of developing components of the statewide strategy

3.5 Summary of Other Engagement Activities

Although early in the project development process, Invenery 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 during the reporting period.

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

Date	Stakeholder	Meeting Objective	Outcome
01/17/2024	REACH and others (including Tribes and environmental justice groups)	Ideas and Actions Summit; discuss economic development on the Central Coast	Sponsored a table for Tribes and environmental justice groups who shared information on their interests in offshore wind
01/24/2024	Central Coast Alliance United for a Sustainable Economy (CAUSE) and California Environmental Justice Alliance (CEJA)	Further introductions to EKW team members; learn more about CAUSE and CEJA's priorities	Information sharing
01/25/2024	Cal Poly/Sea Grant offshore wind workshop	Share project details; answer questions	Information sharing

Date	Stakeholder	Meeting Objective	Outcome
01/25/2024	NRDC, Environmental Defense Center, Center for Biological Diversity, Monterey Bay Aquarium, Ocean Conservation Research, California Marine Sanctuary Foundation, Ocean Conservancy, Audubon Society, Ocean Foundation	Information sharing	Information sharing
02/07/2024	Project Greenlight	Introduction	Information sharing
02/07/2024	Berkeley Center for Law, Energy, and the Environment	Information sharing	Information sharing
02/21/2024	Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce	State of the City event	Information sharing
03/07/2024	Humboldt Baykeeper	Information sharing	Information sharing
03/27/2024	CAUSE and CEJA	Information sharing	Information sharing
04/05/2024	Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Cal Poly Humboldt, and Oregon State University	Research, capacity building	Information sharing
04/10/2024	UCSB's EmLab	Introductions	Information sharing
05/02/2024	NRDC, Environmental Defense Center, Center for Biological Diversity, Monterey Bay Aquarium, Ocean Conservation Research, California Marine Sanctuary Foundation, Ocean Conservancy, Audubon Society, Ocean Foundation, Surfrider, Wild California	Information sharing	Information sharing
05/08/2024	Monterey Bay Aquarium	Discuss concerns about survey activities on marine mammals	Information sharing
05/09/2024	EconAlliance	Introductions	Information sharing
05/09/2024	Associated Press	Introductions	Information sharing
05/13/2024 through 05/14/2024	Pacific Offshore Wind Summit	Participated in Summit including representation on panels	Continued coordination
05/14/2024	State Building and Construction Trades Union	Introduction to Invenergy leadership	Future coordination
05/15/2024	Monterey Bay Aquarium, NRDC	Information sharing	Information sharing
05/16/2024	San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce	Information sharing	Continued coordination

Date	Stakeholder	Meeting Objective	Outcome
05/16/2024	NRDC, Environmental Defense Center, Center for Biological Diversity, Monterey Bay Aquarium, Ocean Conservation Research, California Marine Sanctuary Foundation, Ocean Conservancy, Audubon Society, Ocean Foundation, Surfrider, Wild California	Information sharing	Information sharing
05/16/2024	San Luis Obispo Climate Coalition, Citizens' Climate Education San Luis Obispo County, Santa Lucia Chapter Sierra Club	Introduction to Invenergy leadership	Information sharing
05/17/2024	REACH	Introduction to Invenergy leadership	Information sharing
05/17/2024	Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce	Introduction to Invenergy leadership	Information sharing
05/17/2024	California Polytechnic University San Luis Obispo	Introduction to Invenergy leadership	Information sharing
05/23/2024	Citizens' Climate Education San Luis Obispo County	Information sharing	Information sharing
05/29/2024	Citizens' Climate Education San Luis Obispo County	Information sharing	Continued coordination
05/30/2024	REACH	Information sharing	Continued coordination
05/31/2024	Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce	Annual Dinner	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. Specific input on potential effects that would influence project design and implementation has been minimal given how early the project is in development.

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
Concern about displacement of fisheries and fishing activities due to surveys; gear loss	Fishermen	Working through the California Coastal Commission Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries Working Group to identify best practices for surveys
Concern about air quality impacts on communities near Ports with increased activities in Ports	Communities, including environmental justice communities of concern	Will share concerns with participating Ports, once identified
The burden on fishing communities regarding communication about surveys and other activities	Fishermen	Leaseholders to discuss improving coordination, including between the North Coast and Central Coast
Concern about impacts to future trawling activities: request to remove metocean buoy anchors after decommissioning to avoid trawl interactions; request to bury export cables to reduce risk of interaction with gear	Fishermen	Receive information from fishermen on gear types used in the lease area to better understand potential impacts
Concern about fishing in the lease areas with cables in the water column	Fishermen	Receive information from fishermen on gear types used in the lease area to better understand the potential impacts of design options on specific fisheries

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 Tribal engagement consistent with Joint NATCP	Tribes	Opportunities to conduct coordinated engagement will be explored consistent with Joint NATCP
Continued agency engagement consistent with the Agency Communications Plan	Federal, state, and local agencies	Opportunities to conduct coordinated engagement will be explored consistent with the Agency Communication Plan

Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement	Party	Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees
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
Continued fisheries engagement consistent with the Fisheries Communications Plan	Fisheries, Pacific Fisheries Management Council’s Ad Hoc Marine Planning Committee, CCC, CDFW	Opportunities to conduct coordinated engagement will be explored consistent with the Fisheries Communication Plan
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

Invenery is still in the early stages of development and has not planned or scheduled any survey activities during this reporting period. On May 28, 2024 Even Keel Wind submitted a request for an extension of the June 1, 2024 due date for submittal of Even Keel Wind’s Site Assessment Plan (SAP) to September 13, 2024. On June 12, 2024 BOEM granted the extension request and forwarded a letter of approval for the extension to Even Keel Wind. BOEM Table 11 provides a summary of survey plan activities.

Table 11. Survey Plan Activities under BOEM Review or Underway

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

5 Accessibility

Invenergy is committed to engaging all stakeholders in ways that are accessible. Some of the considerations that will inform our 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 Invenergy and simplified processes for participation.
- Providing translated materials at all public-facing engagements as needed.
- Using visuals or diagrams where possible in 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.
- Completed 508-c updates to the Even Keel Wind project website.
- Posting Spanish language versions of the project factsheet, ACP, and FCP on the Even Keel Wind project website.
- Posting Spanish language project fact sheet on Even Keel Wind website.

6 Coordinated Engagement

Throughout the reporting period, Invenergy has worked closely with the other California offshore wind leaseholders on joint advocacy related to emerging legislation, policy, and guidance (e.g., AB 525, SB 286, Proposed Chumash National Marine Sanctuary). In addition, as detailed above, Invenergy and the two other Central Coast leaseholders have coordinated efforts on Tribal engagement and fisheries engagement, participated jointly in local community events and agency meetings, and strategized on permitting topics. These collaborative efforts have received compliments from state agencies, Tribes, and stakeholders.

Invenergy is also a member of the American Clean Power (ACP) Association's California Council of Offshore Wind Leaseholders (CCOWL), which was established in October 2023. 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 Invenergy, 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, Invenergy 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.

APPENDICES

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
Pulikla Tribe of Yurok People (formerly Resighini Rancheria)
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
California Department of Parks and Recreation	SA
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	SA
California Labor and Workforce Development Agency	SA
California Environmental Protection Agency	SA
California Fish and Game Commission	SA
California Marine Sanctuary Foundation	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

Name of Party	Party Type(s)
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

Plan Name	Website
Agency Communication Plan	OCS-P-0565_Revised-ACP_20231204.pdf (invenergy.com)
Fisheries Communication Plan	EKW_FisheriesCommunicationsPlan_Revised2023-12-20-002.pdf (invenergy.com)
Joint Native American Tribal Communications Plan	Central-California-Joint-Native-American-Tribes-Communications-Plan-2024.pdf (invenergy.com)