Appendix B – Band Model Inputs and Outputs

The following pages present the outputs of a model used to assess collision risk of birds through wind farms. The results were generated by BOEM in August 2022 using a revised version of the Band (2012) model. Two scenarios were assessed for each of the three ESA-listed bird species included in this BA: 1) 100, 8-MW turbines, and 2) 74, 12-MW turbines. Refer to the first sheet of each output for the details of the model inputs. The second sheet presents the overall collision risk applying the number of bird transits, flight timing, flight height distribution, and avoidance rates. The results for each bird species are summarized in Section 4.1.1.4 of the BA.

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Bird data									
Species name	Pip	ing plover							
Bird length	m	0.17							https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Piping plover (averaged 15-19 cm)
Wingspan	m	0.38							https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Piping_plover (averaged 35-41 cm)
Flight speed	m/sec	9.3							Stantial & Cohen 2015
Nocturnal activity factor (1-5)		4							Loring et al 2019, Fig 66; value = 4
Flight type, flapping or gliding		flapping							
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Bird survey data		Jan	Feb Mar Apr	May Jun	Jul Aug	Sep Oc	t Nov	Dec	
Daytime bird density	birds/sq km								
Proportion at rotor height	%								
Proportion of flights upwind	%	8.6%							
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Birds on migration data									
Migration passages	birds		171 1	71 171	855				Adult & fledgings derived from USFWS 2022, P.Loring et al 2019
Width of migration corridor	km	38							assume all pass through lease
Proportion at rotor height	%	15%							Loring et al 2019, Table 26
Proportion of flights upwind	%	8.6%							Loring et al 2019, Fig 72
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Windfarm data									
Name of windfarm site		RWF							
Latitude	degrees	41.00							
Number of turbines	J	100							COP
Width of windfarm	km	38							Measured from COP Figure 4.2.3-8
Tidal offset	m	1							g a s
	Units	Value	Data sources						
Turbine data									
Turbine model		8 MW							COP
No of blades		3							COP
Rotation speed	rpm	10.5							MHI Vestas V164-8MW, average rmp, cutin speed 4 m/s
Rotor radius	m	82							COP, Figure 3.3.8-1 & Table 3.3.8-1
Hub height	m	115 Jan	Feb Mar Apr	May Jun	Jul Aug	Sep Oc	t Nov	Dec	COP, Figure 3.3.8-1 & Table 3.3.8-1
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Latitude	degrees	41.00							
Number of turbines	3	74							COP
Width of windfarm	km	38							Measured from COP Figure 4.2.3-8
Tidal offset	m	1							3
	Units	Value	Data sources						
Turbine data									1
Turbine model		12 MW							COP
No of blades		3							COP
Rotation speed	rpm	7.8							average rmp, cutin speed 4 m/s
Rotor radius	m	110							COP, Figure 3.3.8-1 & Table 3.3.8-1
Hub height	m	156 Jan	Feb Mar Apr	May Jun J	ul Aug Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	COP, Figure 3.3.8-1 & Table 3.3.8-1
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