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Meg Perry | SWCA: Good afternoon and welcome to this public hearing for the Revolution Wind offshore wind project draft Environmental impact statement. I'm Meg Perry with SWCA environmental consultants, and i'll be facilitating today's meeting.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: See where you still have a few folks getting signed in.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thanks Everyone for joining us.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: This meeting is being recorded. So if you don't wish to be recorded, you have the option, of course, to exit the meeting and view the recording. Later,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: it will be posted online to the BOEM virtual meeting room in about a week, and accessible there in an ongoing manner. So i'll put the link to that site in the chat here in just a moment for anyone who might want to access it later.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: This public hearing is being held by BOEM the Bureau of Ocean energy management to collect testimony on the Revolution Wind Farm and Revolution Wind Export cable draft Environmental Impact statement, or DEIS

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I'm going to turn things now to the Responsible Federal official, Karen Baker to give opening remarks.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: Thank you, Meg.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: Hello. My name is Karen Baker,

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Karen Baker, BOEM: and I am the chief of the office of Renewable energy programs at the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, or BOEM.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: Welcome to BOEM's First of two virtual public hearings to discuss the draft environmental impact statement for the Revolution Wind Project offshore Rhode Island, and Massachusetts. We will also be hosting three in-person public meetings in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, on October fourth, fifth, and sixth

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Karen Baker, BOEM: for those of you who aren't familiar with BOEM, we are a Federal bureau within the Department of Interior that oversees the development of our energy and mineral resources in the Nation's outer continental shelf or OCS.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: The OCS extends in most areas from about three miles offshore to the full extent of the exclusive economic zone, approximately two hundred miles offshore

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Karen Baker, BOEM: BOEM is responsible for the expeditious and orderly development of the energy resources of the OCS, including renewables like offshore wind. It's our job to ensure this development is done in an environmentally and economically responsible way.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: This process starts with public input data, gathering analysis and leasing. After many years. We now have twenty eight active commercial leases for offshore wind in the Atlantic.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: As we've mentioned, we're here today to discuss the draft environmental impact statement for the Revolution Win project on one of those twenty eight leases.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: Your participation and feedback today are essential to BOEM's renewable energy program and plays a vital role in our environmental analysis of the proposed project and compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, or NEPA

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Karen Baker, BOEM: BOEM would also like to note on behalf of the U.S. Army corps of engineers that these virtual public hearings will be serving as the public hearings for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Section Ten and Section four Permit Review. Tammy Turley, Chief Regulatory Division, New England District U.S. Army corps of Engineers will also be presenting on the Corp's permitting process for this project today.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: Thank you all for joining nearly one hundred and twenty individuals pre registered to attend today's meeting. Of those, about twenty indicated they will be providing comments. There are about a dozen members of the BOEM and staff subject matter experts participating in today's meeting to help provide information as needed. So we all look forward to hearing your comments and answering any questions you may have. Now I will turn it back over to Meg.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So i'll just orient everyone to the plan for today's meeting.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: We are currently in the welcome and logistics portion. I'll get to some logistics in just a moment, and we'll then turn to presentation, covering information about additional resources available for your reference, the National Environmental policy act and environmental impact statement process,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: this specific project and the draft environmental impact statement and next steps coming up in the process.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Once the presentation has concluded, we will open up for public comments, and i'll go over a little bit more in detail about that shortly,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and

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Meg Perry | SWCA: we will be accepting questions. Uh: during the presentation and during the public comment session, you can submit those using the Q and A. Tool in zoom, and i'll explain how to do that in just a moment. And then. So once the public comment period has concluded, and we've heard from everyone there, we will then stop taking questions and start answering questions during that Q&A session.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: And as I noted previously, this meeting is being recorded and will be available online after the meeting.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So just some reminders about this zoom format. We are in a zoom webinar.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um, If you need help with the zoom platform at any time you can use that Q&A button at the bottom of your screen, or send an email to Jennifer Rideout, Jennifer Dot Rideout, R I D E O U T at SWCA dot com.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: um. If you have an audio issue or you need to switch to phone um, you can call into this meeting. The phone number is eight, eight, eight, four, seven, five, four, four, nine, nine, and you'll need to enter the Webinar ID which is

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Meg Perry | SWCA: nine hundred and forty, five,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: five, eight, nine, zero, zero, six, three, three.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: We encourage you to close other apps and programs on your computer during this session to limit other ah streaming or downloads that might reduce your bandwidth and reduce the quality of your zoom experience.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Because this is a Webinar, We do have all participants on mute until the formal comment period. Um! At which point we will unmute those who wish to share a comment

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Meg Perry | SWCA: for any media representatives joining us today. We ask that you please contact Lisa in Lisa's email is Lissa.Eng@BOEM.gov.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: At B. O. E. M. Gov.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: And then, just to give you a little more information about how you can comment or share a question with us today.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: The public comment period, as I mentioned, will follow the presentations, and we'll turn to anyone who pre-registered to comment. First, if you didn't pre register, but you'd like to comment today, you can raise your hand in zoom, and so we'll call on you after we've turned to those pre-registered commenters.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: And then, as I mentioned, if you have a question for the Bureau of Ocean energy management during the presentation or the public comment period. You can type that into the Q. And a box at the bottom of your screen. You should see a little Q&A symbol with the two talk Bubbles.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um! You can type in your question there. Submit it. And then, once we receive your question, we will share a response during the Q&A portion of the meeting.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um! You may have noticed that there's a transcript or a little um set of closed captions going on on your screen. If you'd like to turn that on or off, you should see a Cc button in your zoom controls where you'll be able to turn that on or off, if you prefer to see it or not.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: All right. With that i'm going to go ahead and turn it to Trevis for our first presentation.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Thank you, Meg.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Hello. My name is Trevis Olivier, and I am one of the project environmental coordinators for Revolution Wind. And this afternoon i'll be presenting an overview of the draft environmental impact statement for Rev Wind.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The first thing i'd like to do is point out some additional resources that are available on BOEM's virtual meeting Web page for the

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: the web Page address is provided at the bottom of this slide, and if you haven't already, we'd encourage you to browse the additional content that's available there.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Next, slide

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: it's a little bit of a lag sorry.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: So this is being developed under the national environmental policy act or NEPA. Which requires federal agencies to assess the environmental effects of any major federal action that may significantly affect the quality of the human environment

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The EIS must also provide an analysis of reasonable alternatives, and the direct, indirect, and cumulative affects of the project. The NEPA process also includes public scoping and a minimum 45-day public comment period on the Draft EIS.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and this NEPA process collects relevant information for the decision maker to make an informed decision on whether to approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove the revolutionary wind proposed construction and operations plan.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The notice of Intent or NOI to prepare this EIS was published back on April the thirtieth of two thousand and twenty one. Which began a thirty-day comic period,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: um, including the additional week extension due to an NOI correction. Um. The total comment period was extended through June eleventh of two thousand and twenty-one,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and During that time BOEM also held three virtual scoping meetings on May thirteen, eighteen, and twenty

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: uh two thousand and twenty-one

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and all comments received during scoping were posted to regulations.gov,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and a scoping summery report which summarize the comments and major issues that were raised during scope was also prepared, and is available on BOEM's project web page for Revolution Wind

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: the draft EIS Notice of Availability, or NOA, was published in the Federal Register on September second

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: two virtual public hearings are scheduled. Um, first of which is this public area here today, and the second virtual public hearing is Tuesday, October eleven.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: BOEM is also holding three in person public hearings October four through six at the locations that you see here on this slide,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and the forty-five day comment period when the draft EIS closes on October seventeenth, two thousand and twenty-two,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: a brief overview of the Revolution Wind project.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: It is proposed on BOEM lease zero four eighty six, which was issued back on October first of two thousand and thirteen.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The proposed Wind Farm is located roughly twelve, fourteen miles south southwest of various points along the Rhode Island and Massachusetts coastline, about fifteen miles east of block Island, and about twelve point one miles south west of Martha's vineyard.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: In using the project design envelope or PDE approach, the cop proposes the following range of parameters, which BOEM is analyzing under the proposed actions of the EIS

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: so offshore, proposing up to one hundred wind turbine generators, which would range

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: in capacity from eighty to twelve megawatts each, and those would be spaced at least one nautical mile apart

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: two offshore substations, and up to one hundred and fifty-five miles of inter-array cables connecting the offshore substations to the turbines,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and up to two export cables, approximately forty two miles long each uh one from each offshore substation Um, traveling up through a shared corridor through the narragansett bay, and connecting to the onshore components in quonset point, rhode island

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: the turbines would have a maximum blade tip height of up to eight hundred and seventy three feet, a maximum hub height of up to five hundred and twelve feet and a maximum rotor diameter of up to seven hundred and twenty two feet

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: the offshore substations. Um. We have a max height of up to two hundred and sixty-two feet tall.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: There are several types of scour protection also being considered in the COP, including rock placement, mattress protection, sandbags and stone bags.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Rock placement, which involves the use of large quantities of crushed rock placed around the base of the foundational structures uh tends to be the most frequently used,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: as a form of scour protection.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The PDE also conservatively assumes that up to ten percent of the inter-array, link, and export cables in OCS waters could require secondary cable protection,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and that up to fifteen percent of the export cables located in State waters could require secondary cable protection

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: for the onshore components, The expert cables would make landfall in the quonset business park in north kingstown rhode island and uh would be installed using a horizontal directual railing to install the cables below the shoreline in which would minimize surface disturbance

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: the two underground transmission cables

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Uh would travel approximately one mile from the landfall location to a new onshore substation and interconnection facility that would in installe adjacent the existing Davisville substation

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: BOEM has been in ongoing consultation with federally recognized tribal nations throughout development of the draft EIS. This slide presents a summary of sum, but not all of the government-to-government consultation and coordination efforts that have occurred since the Notice of Intent to prepare this EIS

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: BOEM is using nepa substitution to fulfill it's Section 106 obligations under the national historic preservation act

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: There are currently forty-eight consulting parties on the revelation wind project under Section 106, and this includes tribal nations, Federal agencies, State, as well as other non-governmental organizations.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: BOEM has conducted three consulting party meetings to date for this project. Um, with additional consultation meetings uh to be scheduled as needed throughout twenty twenty two and early twenty twenty

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: to highlight some notable sections of the draft EIS um chapters one, two, three of the main body contain the purpose and need, alternatives, including those excluded from detailed analysis and why

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and an assessment of the environmental consequences for each alternative.

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The PDE parameters and maximum case scenario are described in the detail in Appendix D.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The cumulative impact scenario also referred to as the planned activities scenario in the draft EIS is provided in Appendix E

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and Appendix E also includes the assessment of resources determined to have minor or lower impacts. Appendix F contains the

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Lessee's mitigation measures um as proposed in the COP as well as other potential mitigation and reporting requirements indentified by BOEM for consideration in the draft EIS analysis.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Appendix J. Contains the section 106 Finding of Adverse affect, and the draft section 106 memorandum of agreement.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Appendix K provides additional background for alternative development and BOEM's alternative screening criteria that we use. Uh in developing

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: the draft EIS. The draft EIS analyzes the proposed action, which is the project that's proposed in the COP that was summarized earlier

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: as well as four other action alternatives.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: It also evaluates a no action alternative. This would be the disapproval of the proposed construction and operations plan as currently submitted

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Next I will briefly outline each of the other four action alternatives in a little more detail,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: so alternative C would excluded the following positions for development to reduce the impacts to complex benefit habitats vulnerable to permanent and long term impacts from the approach project

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: BOEM worked with the national fishery service to identify various habitat priority areas that we use to deliniate the two options evaluated from your alternative. See

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Alternative C1.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: It minimizes bottom the starts in large areas of contiguous complex benthic habitat, as identified in the priority areas,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and though similar to C1, option C2 shifts, the exclusion of a few of the turbine positions from the south eastern portion,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: two areas just further north, with the intent of reducing the development in or adjacent to known atlantic cod spawning areas.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Um. This slight shift in position however would resolve in slightly less continuous conference than the habitat being avoided when compared to the alternative, c. One or two

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: alternative D aims to reduce spacial conflicts with commercial and fishing vessels within the outlookers of the project,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and as see here there are seven possible combinations that could be selected under this alternative.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The selection of all three suboptions under alternative D will eliminate a total of twenty, two protection terminal locations from consideration,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and the selection of D1 and D2, would eliminate fifteen turbine positions, uh most of which are also within the have tech priority areas with five by minutes developing alternative, c. That we discussed in the previous slide.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Under alternative E. Certain turbine positions will be eliminated to the use of visual impacts of truly important sources for Martha's major, as well as the Rhode Island and Massachusetts coastlines.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: In view from these areas, option E1 aims to reduce the digital player, and the overall kerk is that from the overlapping turbine towers of blaze

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: option E2, as you can see in the figure shifts elimination of some of these positions to the north west side of the project, and is aimed at reducing the number of turtles that would occupy the sunset viewshed from the Aquinnah Overlook

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: as well as other popular viewsheds on or near Martha's Vineyard while still meeting purpose and need of the project.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Alternative F

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: under alternative F BOEM can select the implementation of a higher capacity turbine than what is proposed in the COP PDE

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and using a higher capacity turbine could potentially reduce the number of foundations needed to meet the purpose and need, and thereby could potentially further reduce the impact when we combine this alternative with any of the other action. Alternatives

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Alternative F. Does not propose a specific layout.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: It provides primarily a qualitative range of potential impact reductions in combination with the other action alternatives

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: an analysis of each alternative by the following resource categories,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: as you can see from the example of the body Here the EIS uses a four-level classification scheme, and the following duration of the three over the back terms characterizing that

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: the impact classifications are defined for both adverse as well as beneficial impacts.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: And, Trevis, We do have a few folks only on the phone. I wonder if you'd be willing to just read that example out loud for them.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Ah! So again an example from the commercial and for-hire fisheries section Um, Using these terms of classification was where port utilization impacts of the Proposed Action on commercial or for-hire recreational fisheries would be noticeable

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: when combined to the impacts of

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: present and other reasonably foreseeable activities, the impacts are expected to be long term minor to moderate adverse.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: the following resource categories were concluded to experience a minor or less impacts from the proposed action, and were retained in Appendix E

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: These categories included land use and postal infrastructure,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: aviation, land-based radar military uses, undersea cables, recreation and tourism, air quality water quality

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: bats, birds, coastal habitat for sea turtles

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and wetlands and waters of the Us.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Environmental justice, navigation and vessel traffic,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Marine Mammal, benthic Habitat and invertebrates, finFish and essential fish habitat, the all experience up to moderate impacts from the proposed action.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Each resource analysis in Chapter three also includes a discussion of potential mitigation measures that would apply to reduce these effects.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Commercial fisheries and for-hire recreational fishing, cultural resources, scientific research and surveys, visual resources were concluded in the EIS to experience potentially up to major impacts from the proposed action when combined with other activities.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Visual resources, however, would reduce to moderate impacts in the no action alternative.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The proposed action may also result in potential beneficial effects to air, quality and environment justice through a reduced net emissions in the area of analysis,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: to benthic habitats, birds, recreational fishing, marine mammals and sea turtles through artificial reef effects, and to economics, environment and coastal infrastructure through job creation and supporting designated uses at ports

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: additionally, the estimated capacity range for this project is seven hundred and four to eight hundred and eight megawatts, which can power more than three hundred thousand homes per year.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Each alternative has been analyzed both alone; and when combined with other reasonably foreseeable planned actions and Chapter two provides a summary comparison of the alternatives in table format,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: a more detailed narrative comparison of the alternatives is provided at the conversion of each resource section in chapter three

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: overall, alternative C would reduce the overall extent of impacts to complex benthic habitats

when compared to the proposed action.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: In particular, around Cox Ledge and areas of known or of higher likelihood to have atlantic cod spawning.

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00:29:44.150 --> 00:29:51.200

Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Alternative D reduces navigation risks and space-use conflicts with fishing on commercial vessels

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and this is by removing all those turbines adjacent to the Buzzard's Bay traffic separation scheme inbound land and areas of Cox Ledge

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: alternative E reduces impacts to culturally important Resources on and near Martha's Vineyard and likley other National Historic landmarks

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: in Rhode Island and in Massachusetts,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: an alternative F can possibly further reduce the impacts if combined with one of the other action alternatives or the proposed action.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: However, no combination with alternative F was found to reduce the impacts to the degree that would change the overall impact rating given to any such category in the analysis,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: as far as next steps, comments receive today and during the comment period will be assessed and considered by BOEM and the cooperating agencies during the preparation of the Final EIS.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Necessary changes to the document will be made in response to comments and new information, and responses to comments will be provided in an appendix to the final EIS.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Again the forty five day comment period on the draft EIS ends October the seventeenth.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The next steps in the EIS scheduled will be to publish the Final EIS, which is targeted for June twenty twenty-three,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: followed by issuance of the record of decision which is targeted for July twenty twenty-three.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: You can provide comments on the Draft EIS by using regulations dot gov, providing verbal or written comments during any of our public hearings, or by mailing written comments to the office of renewable energy programs.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: at the address provided on the slide,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: which is to program manager at office of renewable energy programs, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: four, five, six, zero, zero road, VAM-OREP, Sterling, Virginia two, zero, one, six, six.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Or online

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: if you prefer to send it to comments electronically,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: please visit regulations dot gov which is located at Http, colon, forward Slash, forward Slash, WWW dot r-e-g-u-l-a-t-i-o-n-s dot gov

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and search for docket number. Do you have that? Two, zero, two, two, zero, zero, four, five, and click comments.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: And as a reminder, BOEM does not consider anonymous comments. So please and put your name and address as part of the submission.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: All comments will be made part of the public record, and may be publicly posted without change,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and to be most helpful comments should be as specific as possible. So, for example, a useful substantive comment discusses the accuracy of the information, or suggests alternative methodologies and the reasons why it should be used.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Uh, provides new information relevant to the analysis, identifies a different source of research, which, if used in the analysis could result in different effects or provides clarification that may be needed

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and i'd like to turn it over to Tammy with the United States Army core of engineers for a presentation on their permitting processes related to this project before we go into the listening session of today's meeting.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Thank you all again, And, Tammy, i'm happy to hand it over to you.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Thank you. Trevis. Can you hear me? Okay,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Yeah,

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Tammy Turley, USACE: All right,

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Tammy Turley, USACE: and good afternoon. My name is Tammy Turley, I'm The chief of the regulatory division of the New England District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Thank you for attending today and providing important input on this proposal.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: The mission of the core of Engineers Regulatory program is to protect the nation's aquatic resources and navigable capacity while allowing economic development through fair and balanced decisions

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Tammy Turley, USACE: you've heard today BOEM is the lead Federal agency for the NEPA

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Tammy Turley, USACE: review for this project. The core is serving as a cooperating agency in this environmental review, and intends to utilize the BOEM-led environmental impact statement to also serve as the Corps of Engineers NEPA Review to serve as any supporting documentation for any permanent decision

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Tammy Turley, USACE: on the next slide I will introduce the core of Engineers regulatory authorities that are applicable for this project.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: The core of Engineers regulatory program is primarily administered under two authorities. Section Ten of the Rivers and harbors Act authorizes activities and structures in navigable waters and the outer continental shelves.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Section Four Oh four of the clean water act regulates the discharge of dredged or fill material in two waters of the U. S. The diagram shows the limits of core of Engineers authority in tidal waters and fresh waters. On the next few slides I'll speak more specifically to the impacts proposed under each of these authorities.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: As I mentioned, Section ten of the rivers and harbors act the Corps regulate structures and other work in navigable waters.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: For this project the shoreward limit of navigable waters is the mean high water line of Narragansett Bay and the seaward limit is three nautical miles measured from the baseline of the territorial seas.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: The proposed work regulated within navigable waters are outlined in red on the figure,

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Tammy Turley, USACE: and those activities include two export cables, the dredging and fill for the installation of the cables, the horizontal directional drilling work and exit pits and any hard armoring for cable protection.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Section Ten also regulate structures on

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Tammy Turley, USACE: the outer Continental shelf. Next slide, please.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: For this project those activities on the outer Continental shell, or those structures rather Um includes the turbines, offshore substations, all associated cables, and any required hard armoring for cable protection. And those are all shown outlined in red on the figure.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: They're getting a little lag on your audio, so you might want to just turn your video off and stick to the audio.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Okay,

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Okay. Next slide. Thank you.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Under Section four hundred and four of the clean water Act, The corps of engineers regulates the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the Us.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: For this project the shoreward limit of waters of the Us is the high tide line of Narragansett Bay and the seaward limit of waters of the Us extends three nautical miles. The applicant has not proposed impacts to non-titled waters or to wetlands mudflats or ill grass, or any other

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Tammy Turley, USACE: authorize special aquatic sites under the program.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Next slide

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Tammy Turley, USACE: proposed activities subject to the Clean Water Act. Section Four Oh Four authority occur within the area outlined in red on the figure, and these discharges are related to cable installation, and they include the back filling of trench during cabling the redeposition of dredge material within the two horizontal directional drill exit pits

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Discharges may also include the placement of hard armor as needed for cable protection

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Tammy Turley, USACE: the core of Engineers, published a public notice on September second, with a forty five day comment period. The public notice and plans, if you Haven't already seen them, can be accessed by following the link on this slide. Then, looking under regulatory permitting public notices

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Tammy Turley, USACE: on the next slide, I will speak more specifically to the proposed impacts and regulatory authority for each activity.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: The proposed impacts are listed here for each activity and authority. You will see the activity defined, and then, whether it's a temporary or permanent impact, and again, under which authority that activity is being evaluated.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: The proposed temporary impacts are primarily related to the installation of the wind farm components,

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Tammy Turley, USACE: and the permanent impacts are related to the structures themselves, and any hard armoring placed over the cables for protection. The figure on the left depicts the wind turbines, while the figure on the right depicts the two offshore substations as examples of those structures within our Section Ten authority

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Tammy Turley, USACE: next slide

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Tammy Turley, USACE: I mentioned the core of engineers Public notice. that notice served as the initiation of our public Interest Review for this project.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: That review includes the evaluation of the probable impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. The benefits that may reasonably accrue from the proposal must be balanced against the reasonably foreseeable detriment.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Any decision will reflect national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The core can only issue a permit if the proposal is found to be not contrary to the public interest.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: The public Interest review factors that we evaluate are listed on the slide for your information.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Next slide, please.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: The four Oh four B One guidelines apply to work within section four oh four jurisdiction specific to this project. the export cable route is within four oh four jurisdiction within the Narragansett Bay, as shown on the figure

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Tammy Turley, USACE: To reach compliance with these guidelines, the core of engineers is unable to authorize a project that has a proposed discharge. If there is a practical alternative to the proposed discharge that would have less adverse effect on the aquatic ecosystem so long as such alternative does not have other significant, adverse, environmental consequences

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Tammy Turley, USACE: Practicable alternative is available and capable of being done when considering cost technology and logistics,

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Tammy Turley, USACE: and the Corps can only permit the the alternative that is identified as the least environmentally damaging, practicable alternative.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: And lastly, when making a permit decision, next slide please, the corps must ensure compliance with other Federal laws, including, but not limiting to Section One hundred and six of the National Historic Preservation Act, Section seven of the Endangered Species Act and the Magnus and Stevens Fisheries Management Act.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: The corps must also ensure that appropriate tribal consultation has occurred, and that we meet our tribal trust responsibilities

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Tammy Turley, USACE: in addition on the state level, a four oh one water quality certification and a coastal zone management consistency determination are required prior to the issue and issuance of a corps permit.

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Tammy Turley, USACE: And this concludes the core of engineers overview. Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thanks very much to both of our presenters. This does conclude the presentation portion of the meeting, and we'll be moving shortly into the listening session.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Ah!

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So as we get ready to do that, i'll just share a couple of reminders with everyone. Um. We've already seen a few questions coming in through the Q and A tool. So thank you for those. If you have a question that you have not yet submitted. Um, please go ahead and do that by clicking on the Q and A button

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Meg Perry | SWCA: in zoom and typing it in. I will continue accepting questions throughout the public comment portion of the meeting, and once public comment concludes, we will um close receiving questions and then turn to providing responses,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and as a reminder, if you would like, You can give

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Meg Perry | SWCA: your comment today. During this hearing you also have those other two options that Trevis mentioned, which I also placed in chat to submit your comment in writing or online at regulations. Gov:

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So here's how the public comment version of today's meeting will work. We'll start by calling on those who registered in advance to comment.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Uh, I will call on those people in the order they registered. And um! You'll see the the next five names of people who are going to speak show up in the chat in Zoom. So you'll have a little bit of an idea of when you might be called on so you can be ready. Um! Once we hear from all the pre registered commenters we'll then invite others who would like to share a comment to do so.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: And you can do that by raising your hand here in Zoom.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um, and commenters will be called on by the facilitator (Me) in the order that you raise your hands, so to show you how to do that,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: you can click on the raise hand, button in zoom.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Or if you're joining us by phone, you can press Star nine, and that will raise your hand here for us in the zoom room so we can see that you have a comment to share.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: When I call on you I will do my best to pronounce your name. Please correct me. If I mispronounce it.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I'll invite you to unmute your line for those on the phone. You'll need to press Star six to unmute,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and then, when you begin your comment we ask that you please state and spell your name for the record, so that we can be sure we have that accurately recorded.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: We do have I think, as mentioned, over one hundred participants on the call today, and I know we have about twenty already Pre-registered. So we will ask that you limit your comments to no more than five minutes today.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um! And if you do have longer comments, we encourage you to submit those in writing. Be a couple of you One of those other options that I just mentioned,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: all comments provided tonight will be taken into consideration by BOEM to prepare the final EIS, as Trevis mentioned earlier,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and just a few guidelines to remind you that.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um. As I mentioned, we ask you to limit your comments to five minutes. We encourage you to direct your comments to the Bureau of Ocean Energy management rather than to other commenters. This session is really for you to share feedback with BOEM

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Of course i'm sure this goes without saying, but please be respectful, and

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Meg Perry | SWCA: we, of course, especially with a but virtual meeting, we never know what little ears might also be in the room. So of course, ask you to please refrain from any profanity in your comments.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: All right. So with that we're going to go ahead and open up for comments, and I will take the first few folks who were pre-registered to comment.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So Well, you should see those names show up in the chat here in just a moment, and then we will start calling on those individuals.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, So first

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Meg Perry | SWCA: we're going to hear from Meghan Lapp. If you are on the call today,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I'm not seeing Meghan Lapp signed in. If you are with us, if you could go ahead and raise your

hand

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Meg Perry | SWCA: to let us know that you're here.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, we will circle back to that name. Perhaps they were not able to join all right next on the list pre registered is Eva Land. Are you with us?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Go ahead and raise your hand. If you are.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: And again for those joining via phone, you can press Star nine to raise your hand if you're one of the people i'm calling on

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, not seeing Eva Land with us today,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: we'll circle back to that name as well.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, let's see. Um. Next is

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Carl van Warmerdam

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Carl. Are you here?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: No, not seeing Carl on our list of attendees,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: so we'll circle back to that as well.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: How about Heidi Ricci?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: If you're with us, Can you raise your hand, please? Oh, there you are great. All right. I'm gonna unmute you.

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Heidi Ricci: Oh, hi! Um! Thank you for the opportunity to comment today. My name is Heidi Ricci. I'm director of policy and advocacy at Mass; Audubon for a State based um organization founded in one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six. We have one hundred and sixty thousand um members and supporters, and we've been reviewing offshore wind for a number of years. Now. Um, along with many other environmental organizations. Um, that's all about, is united in our

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Heidi Ricci: for responsibly developed offshore wind. This is an important component of the overall

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Heidi Ricci: strategy for decarbonizing our energy systems

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Heidi Ricci: and provides a tremendous opportunity to fight climate change, reduce air pollution and grow a new industry that's going to support thousands of well-paying jobs.

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Heidi Ricci: Um

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Heidi Ricci: We are our focus is on responsible development of offshore wind that avoids, minimize, mitigates, and monitors adverse impacts on green and coastal habitats, and the wildlife that relies on them, as well as uh reducing and minimizing effects on other ocean users uh, including robust consultation with all interested stakeholders,

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Heidi Ricci: because there is considerable uncertainty about exactly what the impacts will be on wildlife

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Heidi Ricci: um mass of one also supports development of advanced compensatory mitigation programs that are based on the best available science and that are transparent and accountable. So, for example,

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Heidi Ricci: the area off the southeast of New England is an important habitat for the Federally and State endangered Rosia turn along with other coastal waterbird species,

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Heidi Ricci: so there is considerable uncertainty about the effects of these projects on those birds. However, we know that they are also vulnerable to the impacts of climate change, since they nest on coastal beaches that are subject to impacts from sea level rise and

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Heidi Ricci: from um storms as well as effects on their food, which is changing as as conditions in the ocean are changing. So we support the development of compensatory mitigation programs that would fund

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Heidi Ricci: ah coastal waterbird nesting, habitat, monitoring restoration and enhancement as one example of um potential mitigation programs for offshore wind,

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Heidi Ricci: and we'll be submitting more detailed comments on the project along with our colleagues from other organizations.

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Heidi Ricci: So I think i'll conclude with that. Not get into anything more specific here, and thank you for this opportunity.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Appreciate those comments

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Meg Perry | SWCA: all right.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Next, we have Thomas Sheridan

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Let's see

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Don't see Thomas signed in at the moment. But, Thomas, if you are here, please press Star nine, or raise your hand to let us know that you're with us.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: we will come back to Thomas Sheridan Great. Next on the list is Patrick Crowley,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: not seeing Patrick

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Meg Perry | SWCA: uh Patrick, If you're with us by phone, you can press.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Oh, there you are

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excellent! Can you hear me?

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Patrick Crowley: You're very faint. I don't know if you can get a little closer to your microphone, perhaps. How is that? Much better, I think. Very good.

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Patrick Crowley: Thank you. My name is Patrick Crowley, and I am the secretary treasurer of the Rhode Island AFL CIO, as well as the co-chair of climate jobs Rhode Island, a coalition of labor and environmental organizations within the State of Ireland.

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Patrick Crowley: Thank you for accepting my comments. Today.

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Patrick Crowley: Offshore wind has the potential to drive economic recovery and stimulate coastal economies up and down the east coast. As we begin recovering from the unprecedented social and economic impact of the Covid nineteen pandemic.

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Patrick Crowley: The approval of the Revolution wind project developed by Orsted and eversource will directly lead to the creation of union jobs that come with good pay and benefits

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Patrick Crowley: as a Union leader. I support offshore wind large-scale utility development, like offshore wind will not only help reduce our massive carbon footprint, but will also mean tremendous amount of economic opportunity in the form of jobs and community benefits.

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Patrick Crowley: My eighty thousand members across Rhode Island believe that the American that Americans should

not have to choose between a good job and a clean environment. We can and must have both.

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Patrick Crowley: The Revolution Wind Project is an opportunity to not only drive the nation's clean energy future, but also create quality family sustaining union jobs. I urge Ba to move forward with the permitting process.

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Patrick Crowley: Boeham has provided six alternatives for further review.

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Patrick Crowley: Within those six alternatives there is one that bomb should not consider no action,

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Patrick Crowley: no action would harm our State's efforts to address climate change, while also eliminating quality job opportunities and sustainable work for hard working local trades people that come with this project. We need a revolution when to be built

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Patrick Crowley: offshore wind is critical to our future, of our national security, environmental and economic recovery. We urge Boe to stick with its public schedule for the Revolution, win project and put our trades, men and women to work as soon as possible. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you for your comment.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: next, David Michel,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: you there,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and you may have to click unmute for us to hear you,

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00:57:54.630 --> 00:58:00.539

Meg Perry | SWCA: David Michel. If you're there, you you should have permission to unmute and share your comment with us.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, it looks like David is still on mute. So,

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00:58:15.160 --> 00:58:18.199

Meg Perry | SWCA: um, David, we can come back to you

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00:58:27.240 --> 00:58:31.359

Meg Perry | SWCA: or let us know in the Q. And A. If you're having an issue with your audio.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, J. D. Chesloff

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Meg Perry | SWCA: next on our list

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and pre registered commenters,

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00:58:44.690 --> 00:58:48.280

Meg Perry | SWCA: not seeing anyone by that name currently in. They're all

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00:58:56.780 --> 00:58:58.010

Meg Perry | SWCA: there. You are.

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JD Chesloff: Good afternoon. Thank you for um this opportunity to to comment. My name is J. D. Chesloff. I am the presidency of the Massachusetts business roundtable. Um, you know I do think it's interesting in the first three commenters. So far you have to start from the Environment community so from the Labor community it's with the business community which I think speaks to the

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JD Chesloff: the widespread support for the project just a little bit of background. The roundtable is a group of about nine years. So Ceos senior executives for employers across Massachusetts, including worse than ever Source. We do support the revolutionary revolution when projects strongly. We sent in some comments

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JD Chesloff: earlier. I would just summarize real quickly, really three reasons behind our support for the project.

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JD Chesloff: The first, obviously, that it helps to meet the state's very aggressive climate goals. And this is ah an item about climate sustainability that has risen to the top of Oh, the business community agenda! And we we agree with some of the comments before

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JD Chesloff: that offshore wind is just an important part of the solution to our climate. Goals

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JD Chesloff: Number two really is around competitiveness, and we hear over and over again from employers in Massachusetts about cost of living cost, of doing business and mobility impacting the competitiveness of the State. And I, you know, I. We view offshore wind and this project

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JD Chesloff: as part of a broader economic development strategy

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JD Chesloff: to build a new industry and create jobs in Massachusetts. I think it's a really important part of that puzzle. And then third around workforce. And I think the previous speaker from the Union Rhode Island talked about this as we build out this industry.

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JD Chesloff: And through this project we're going to need to have a pipeline of talent particularly diverse talent to make it all happen. I couldn't help but think that when Travis was going through the project

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JD Chesloff: really around the presentation, you could see all the opportunities for jobs and and workforce as as part of the implementation. And so, you know, we're encouraged very broadly

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JD Chesloff: by revolution wins positive

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JD Chesloff: Um, local, economic and community impact that are really looking to it as a model for what this industry is capable of in terms of providing job creation supply chain opportunities, workforce development, initiatives, environmental education for redevelopment, and more.

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JD Chesloff: So we're all really excited about and happy to lend our support and appreciate your consideration of our comments. Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you.

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01:01:48.280 --> 01:01:49.790

Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Next we have

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Michael Passero.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Go ahead, Michael.

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Michael Passero: Good afternoon.

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Michael Passero: Thank you for this opportunity to testify. My name is Michael Passero. I am the mayor of the City of London.

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Michael Passero: I'm. Pleased to speak in support of the Revolution Wind Energy Project today on behalf of the city of New London

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Michael Passero: and our development partners. Of course, that never source. New London is the fourth most distressed city in Connecticut, and faces many of the challenges shared by other New England cities working to regain their prominence as the economic centers of their region.

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Michael Passero: Revolution Win will play a major role in the economic revitalization of New London as one of three offshore wind energy projects that will be staged, assembled and shipped from State Peer in the port in London,

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Michael Passero: together with Southport wind and sunrise, when revolution win, will guarantee hundreds of direct jobs at the revitalized peer and thousands of indirect jobs and economic development opportunities in New London and across the region over the next ten years.

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Michael Passero: These are jobs and business opportunities

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Michael Passero: that we desperately need.

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Michael Passero: In addition,

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Michael Passero: the Host City agreement between New London, the State of Connecticut, and the joint development team of warsted and ever source represents a significant and guaranteed source of revenue that will benefit the hard-working taxpayers of my city

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Michael Passero: But jobs and economic development are only some of the positive impacts. We will see from revolution wind and the offshore wind industry as the mayor of a four hundred year old port city with homes lining our shoreline, and with one of the premier public beaches on the East coast.

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Michael Passero: I am keenly aware of the need to address climate change.

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Michael Passero: Revolution Wind is designed to provide three hundred and four megawatts of clean, sustainable energy to Connecticut, and four hundred megawatts to Rhode Island enough electricity to power more than three hundred and fifty thousand homes in re across both States.

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Michael Passero: To put it another way, the carbon emission reductions from the from the project are equivalent to taking. Taking more than two hundred thousand cars off the road in

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Michael Passero: revolution. Win will play a significant role in helping both both States achieve their clean energy goals. In the years to come

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Michael Passero: these individual goals will contribute to the national goal of generating thirty gigawatts of electricity from offshore wind energy by two thousand and thirty.

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Michael Passero: For all these reasons I am pleased to support revolution. When I am proud that one of the nation's first commercial-scale, offshore wind energy projects will be produced from the port of New London. Thank you very much for the opportunity.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you. May your pass through for those comments

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Meg Perry | SWCA: all right. Our next commenter registered is David Wallace.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I do not see David,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: But, David, if you are with us, please raise your hand or press Star nine to let us know that you're here.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, we'll check back for David. Rachel Krasna.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Rachel, You should be able to unmute

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Rachel Krasna. If you're here, you'll want to click your unmute button.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Oh, it looks like

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Meg Perry | SWCA: maybe Rachel's having some technical difficulties. You should see the the

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Meg Perry | SWCA: invitation to unmute popping up on your zoom screen.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: If you click on that, you should come off mute and be able to speak

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Meg Perry | SWCA: or look for the mute unmute button which is usually down near the bottom of your screen,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and if you're on your phone you may need to swipe left or right to see the controls that you're looking for?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, we're still not hearing you, Rachel. I'm gonna

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Meg Perry | SWCA: just remind everyone of the phone in number for this meeting for those who might be having issues in zoom if you want to try that option, and then we'll also circle back to you in a few minutes to see if we can hear you um after you've had a moment to to try to sort out your technical difficulties.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So let me just remind folks of that phone number.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Just a moment.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, if you'd like to try calling in

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Meg Perry | SWCA: the number to use is eight, eight, eight,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: four, seven, five,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: four, four, nine, nine,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and then you'll need the Webinar. Id as well to log in

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Meg Perry | SWCA: that Webinar Id is

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Meg Perry | SWCA: nine, four, five,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: five, eight, nine, zero,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: six hundred and thirty, three, so that's another option to try if you're having an issue with meeting and unmuting in zoom.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: But, Rachel, for now we'll turn to someone else and come back to you in a few minutes.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, let's see Heather,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Heather Weitzner,

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I saw a heather

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Meg Perry | SWCA: clear,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: but now i'm not

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01:09:50.080 --> 01:09:52.700

Meg Perry | SWCA: heather. If you're with us, go ahead and raise your hand

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01:10:05.490 --> 01:10:13.230

Meg Perry | SWCA: and Rachel. Um. There's a phone number in the chat for our tech support person, if you'd like some assistance getting your audio connected.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, not team heather at the moment. Walter Kasmierczak.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Walter, if you're with us, if you can click that, raise hand, button or star nine on the phone,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: it seems like some very fun event got scheduled over this meeting, and people had to change their plans.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: All right. We'll come back to walter

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01:11:14.960 --> 01:11:22.580

Meg Perry | SWCA: all right Our next. Few pre-registered folks. I have a Greg Ohadoma,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: are you there, Greg?

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01:11:32.620 --> 01:11:37.160

Meg Perry | SWCA: Yes, we're hearing you. Let me just get to our timer slide. Here, hold on a moment

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Meg Perry | SWCA: All right. Go ahead.

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Greg Ohadoma: Good afternoon. My name is Greg Ohadoma I'm. The Policy associate at the Northeast Clean Energy Council, or NCEC.

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Greg Ohadoma: NCEC is leading the Justin Roberts transition to a clean energy economy across New England and New York.

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Greg Ohadoma: The Revolution Wind Project being developed jointly by our State and ever source represents a cleaner future energy future.

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Greg Ohadoma: We not only to medicate in Rhode Island, but also the region and the country's transition to a carbon-free electricity.

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Greg Ohadoma: This is all done by also ensuring that also wind, energy, wildlife, and our natural resources thrive together. The

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Greg Ohadoma: clean energy is one of the fastest growing sectors

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Greg Ohadoma: of the economy. The Revolution Wind Project will generate jobs in Rhode Island and Connecticut. Well,

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Greg Ohadoma: each State's reliance on carbon emitting it

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Greg Ohadoma: energy sources

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Greg Ohadoma: and ensuring the reliability of our grid

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Greg Ohadoma: Ulster wind has the potential to drive economic recovery.

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Greg Ohadoma: A stimulate coastal economies up and down the East coast.

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Greg Ohadoma: Human project devotes

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Greg Ohadoma: will,

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Greg Ohadoma: oh, create a cleaner

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Greg Ohadoma: for sustainable Rhode Island and Connecticut.

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Greg Ohadoma: It's estimated that the project will generate about one thousand two hundred jobs across both States during this construction phase, and dozens of good paying, permanent, full-time operations and maintenance positions on

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Greg Ohadoma: servicing the wind farm with with thousands of indirect, and you

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Jobs also anticipated,

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Greg Ohadoma: and NCEC, urges both to keep this published schedule for the Revolution wind project and make

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Greg Ohadoma: a reality.

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01:13:24.510 --> 01:13:27.150

Greg Ohadoma: The BOEM consider, taking no action,

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Greg Ohadoma: know that it would harm both

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01:13:28.410 --> 01:13:30.920

Greg Ohadoma: State's efforts to addressing climate change.

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01:13:31.790 --> 01:13:35.859

Greg Ohadoma: The expansion of offshore wind capacity is essential for the decarbonization

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Greg Ohadoma: and for the realizing of greenhouse gas emissions reduction commitments to the New England states.

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Greg Ohadoma: The transition to a clean energy

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Greg Ohadoma: is critical. As Rhode Island and Connecticut continue to focus on bringing more clean carbon-free sources to the region.

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Greg Ohadoma: Rhode Island has one of the most ambitious, clean energy goals in the nation,

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Greg Ohadoma: percent renewable energy by two thousand and thirty three, and rousing. What Is it critical in helping Rhode Island

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Greg Ohadoma: and helping that communicate, hoping that it could also catch up in its carbonization promises.

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Greg Ohadoma: Again, NCEC Supports this development

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Greg Ohadoma: to reduce carbon emissions in the region, and it urges to keep its published schedule for the revolutionary project.

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Greg Ohadoma: It moves through the EIS space.

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01:14:22.230 --> 01:14:23.289

Greg Ohadoma: Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you, Mr. Ohadoma for those comments.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, let's see who's up next

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Rachel Krasna: apologies. Me? Can you hear me?

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Rachel Krasna: Yes, we can. Okay, Sorry about that. Is it? Okay, if I just take a quick go ahead with my comment.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Yes,

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Rachel Krasna: thank you.

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Rachel Krasna: Good afternoon, everybody. Thank you for the opportunity of a comment today. My name is Rachel Krasna with E-concrete. We were interested in commenting on the scouring and skull protection measures.

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Rachel Krasna: So just as a quick overall um we just wanted to come and suggest that using nature-based design elements will significantly increase. Vc. Settlement, Richness and abundance so using nature-based design, almost allow the structures to actively promote and provide part of the situation. We have decreased magnitude and frequency of maintenance leading to increased structural lifespan. Ecological concrete is an alternative to traditional concrete and iraq for both scour and people protection. So it enhances,

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Rachel Krasna: encourages the growth of flora and fauna and place and rain environment. The

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Rachel Krasna: studies have indicated that ecological concrete enhances biodiversity and species richness with a short period from deployment using ecological concrete, also supports compliance with strict environmental regulations. So thank you for that and thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thanks for your comments,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: all right. I will leave next up.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: We have Olayiwola Otun. Let's see if that person is with us.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I'm not seeing you. Um. But if you're joining us by phone, Olayiwola Otun. Your turn is up to give a comment.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: If you're joining us by phone, you can press Star Nine to raise your hand and let us know that you're here.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, we'll come back to them.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um, and I see a few of our previous people that we had skipped over are signed in now, so rest assured. Stick with us. We're going to circle back. Um, if your name appears in the chat, and you pre registered to comment, and we missed you earlier, we will come back around um and hear from you in just a few minutes.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, let's see Frederick Gilbert,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Frederick Gilbert, are you with us? Go ahead and raise your hand if you are,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and if you're on the phone, that's Star nine to raise your hand.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, If not, we'll move on to George Leitch.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I'm not seeing George.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer, are you with us?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Yes,

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: good afternoon.

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: Can you hear me? Yes, we can,

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: and that has been set by others. I mean the offshore wind in the industry. Sectors will provide great economic opportunity in the Us. As it will create

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: the good industrial construction on service jobs, and my company is a tangible example of such benefits. As an example. You know, we have invested by of twenty four. We will have invested sales of three hundred million dollars to transform one of our unusual facility, one

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: which, as of two days employing two hundred and twenty industrial team

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: people in any sort of the jobs.

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: This investment for the offshore. We set up at one hundred and sixty American jobs, and this investment was made possible for two reasons: one because we sign up with a trade agreement five years back, with our share to produce up to six hundred miles takes for cable for the up from the Us. And elsewhere

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: last week make sense that I should have announced that we will be the one providing the cable for the reduction in project,

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: and today my testimony is about to express the fact that we support the evolution win project for the economic impact. The positive economic impact has in the Us.

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: Uh. We have that such process need to provide clarity and certainty to the supply chain, because without certainty and clarity no investment can happen. We are pioneer, but we hope that others are going to invest in the Us.

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: Or we propose existing facilities and create additional jobs. And this for Jobs construction jobs, and also marine jobs

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: Without such predictability, such investment will not be able to happen.

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: We appreciate all the effort that governments put in this process.

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: We do not have particular,

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: I think, thought about the different identity but one. We urge them to not consider the new action alternative

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: as it would first slow down the energy transition from harmful source of energy to environmental, friendly source of energy. And so again, it will send a shield into the industry and slow down the creation of jobs that this industry will be able to create if it is allowed to move forward

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Emmanuel Martin-Lauzer: again, make sense, would like to rotate, to support the Revolution for refuge and win project. And We thank you for your time and your consideration.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I think Laurie White is the last of our pre-registered commenters,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and I'm going to invite you to unmute.

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Laurie White: Hello,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: hi! We're hearing you. Let me just reset your time right here.

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Laurie White: Thank you.

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Laurie White: My name is Laurie White, and I'm The President of the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce in Providence, Rhode Island, and thank you for reporting us this opportunity to say a few words today in support of project.

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Laurie White: We are in strong support of revolution. Wind, and one of our members, Forsted has become a true Rhode Island success story.

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Laurie White: Gorstad has opened a Us. Headquarters in Providence, and has helped to shape the blue economy here in Rhode Island, in conjunction with a number of our colleges, universities, and small businesses.

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Laurie White: We are very strongly supportive of the application we have testified for this entity in in previous months to indicate that we believe that the blue economy offshore wind industry,

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Laurie White: a strong catalyst for businesses, particularly small businesses that are looking to reposition, their industry, and also to make a strong statement in

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Laurie White: port of a sustainable,

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Laurie White: our our planet, and for our climate the greater Providence Chamber of Commerce continues to offer its services to assist. Ah, these planning entities to understand the impact on small business, and also to continue to be a resource to our business members, working in conjunction with our

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Laurie White: and and colleagues within the environmental community, and within organized labor as well. We listened intently to Patrick Trolley, secretary, treasurer of the Afl. Cio, and also to our colleagues in Massachusetts Jd Cheslock fast. This is Round Table,

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Laurie White: also very interested in the comments of the Mayor from here in London. So together we can make a strong statement in behalf of this industry and continue to keep more stead to be a major employer.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you for your comments.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, we are going to circle back to other

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Meg Perry | SWCA: um pre-registered commenters who we may have missed in the first go-around. But I do want to invite anyone who did not pre register to comment. Who would like to comment now to please raise your hand so we

can get you in the queue.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I'm going to turn to Kristen Urbach in just a moment. Um. But if there are others on the line who would like to share a comment and did not pre register, please go ahead and raise your hand by clicking that raise hand button in zoom, or if you're on the phone by Pressing Star nine, and that will let us know that you'd like to get in line to share a comment.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: All right. Uh,

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see here,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Kristen Urbach,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: are you there?

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Kristin Urbach: Yes, great. Go ahead,

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Kristin Urbach: Thank you, and thanks for all the hard work that your agency is doing for creation of this environmental impact statement for revolution win. We are fully in support of the Revolution Win Energy Project. I am the executive Director of the North Kest Town Chamber of Commerce. The North Kingsstown Chamber of Commerce is one of Rhode Island's leading business membership and trade organizations located in northeast down Rhode Island.

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Kristin Urbach: That includes the quantit business park that employs more than ten thousand people within over two hundred businesses,

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Kristin Urbach: quantit the home to Port Davisville has served as a staging storage and assembly area for wind turbine equipment, and continues to serve the offshore wind industry Today, while offshore wind is a developing industry for the United States. It is a proven industry that began right here in Rhode Island with the Block Island Winds Park.

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Kristin Urbach: Now we're looking to continue the momentum with revolution. Wind Project Revolution wind is making investments in our ports, workforce training institutions of higher education and creating opportunities for businesses in the local supply chain. We need revolution wind to be built.

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Kristin Urbach: We appreciate Oem's careful consideration of the revolution. Win project, and understand that Oem

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Kristin Urbach: provided six alternatives for further review. Within those six alternatives there is only one that they should not consider no action without action. Rhode Island will not realize revolution wins tremendous potential to create jobs and grow the local supply chain

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Kristin Urbach: revolution wind is good for Rhode Island's economy and the region's environment. I urge you to approve this project and keep our state momentum going. Thank you.

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Kristin Urbach: Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: All right.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay. We're gonna um. Looks like we don't have other hands up at the moment.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So we are going to go back through some of our pre registered commenters to see um give a second call for them to comment. If they have joined us. So Megan Lap was the first on that list,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and just checking to see if Meghan Lapp has signed in.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: If you are with us. Please raise your hand or press Star nine. If you're on the phone to let us know you're here.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, if not evil land. Are you with us.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I do see, either. Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: you should be able to unmute.

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Eva Land: And I'm: I'm going to pass. Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thanks for joining us today.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Uh Carl van Warmerdam.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I think I saw Carl sign in

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Meg Perry | SWCA: what?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Not anymore. Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thomas Sheridan,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: i'm. Not seeing you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: But please raise your hand if you're here. Press Star Nine.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, David Wallace.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: How about Heather Weitzner?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I'm not seeing Heather.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, Walter Kazmierczak

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Team Walter. Okay. Just a few more of these pre registered folks, too, and then we'll turn to the other raised hands. Um, lai, Yuola Ottoon, Are you with us,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Frederick Gilbert?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: And how about George Leitch?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, Looks like those folks have not been able to join us.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So uh, we're going to take our

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Meg Perry | SWCA: next hand up, which is Harriet Bernstein.

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harriet bernstein: Yes, I'm. Just an individual Martha's vineyard. Unlike our reputation, we're the poorest county in Massachusetts, and I'm. Concerned that i'm just wondering if there's any policy going forward as we have more and more power. Is there any policy going forward that would guarantee

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harriet bernstein: any limit on the cost of electricity for the area around the well, for anybody, for that matter,

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harriet bernstein: around the area that's affected by the installations? That's my one question and the other question I have: is Is there any educational campaign

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harriet bernstein: possible, or in the works? Or is anybody considering any educational campaign that would reduce consumption? It seems to me, as you go along with the increase in

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alternative energy.

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Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thanks, um. And we this we're currently in the listening session where we're just um taking comments. But it did sound like you have a couple of questions, so i'd encourage you to click on that Q. A. Button and submit those to make sure that our team providing responses, sees your question. Um, because we just heard them. But the folks that are developing those answers may not have. So if you could type them into the Q. A um we'll, we'll get some answers for you on this.

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harriet bernstein: I've tried a few different ways to submit my question. I'm not sure which ways to it to do additionally. But anyway, I I submitted my question to Jennifer when I when I signed up, but I signed up just the last minute before the meeting. In any case. Um, those are my my concerns. Thank you for your help.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you very much.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um. And just to remember to anyone else who might have questions in mind that we just have It looks like maybe one other commenter. Um. So go ahead and click on the Q. And a button in zoom. If you have a question and type that in and submit it, you will close questions. Um. Once we exit this listening session portion um to give our team time to develop responses, and then, when we come back for the Q. And A. Session, we'll be sharing those questions that were submitted and the responses provided.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So go ahead and submit those questions. Now, if you have them.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, it looks like a couple of folks that I tried to call on earlier are here now, which is great. So, Carl van Warmerdam,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: please correct me if I mispronouncing your name and go ahead.

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Carl van Warmerdam: Yeah, Carl van Warmerdam, Barrington, Rhode Island.

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Carl van Warmerdam: I'm. In favor of the option of not proceeding with this project.

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Carl van Warmerdam: Um!

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Carl van Warmerdam: I think it's great that Rhode Island wants to

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Carl van Warmerdam: try to decarbonize.

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Carl van Warmerdam: But oh,

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Carl van Warmerdam: I don't see any. I don't think Rhode Island has any steel mills or cement

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Carl van Warmerdam: factories, or uh

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Carl van Warmerdam: plastic making

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Carl van Warmerdam: for the blades. None of that's going to be done in Rhode Island or the copper wiring. No smelters here, so all of this carbon that will be required to produce these

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Carl van Warmerdam: machines

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Carl van Warmerdam: will be outsourced.

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Carl van Warmerdam: So this I mean,

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Carl van Warmerdam: It's solving for the the wrong variable here. It's all about the jobs and the economy.

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Carl van Warmerdam: And

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Carl van Warmerdam: this that's It's not going to work. That's not what we're solving for. We're trying to solve for climate change, which is just a symptom.

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Carl van Warmerdam: The problem that is overshoot

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Carl van Warmerdam: which was using too many resources for the planet.

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Carl van Warmerdam: So business as usual, is not going to get us out of this problem.

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Carl van Warmerdam: So that's That's number one. I mean, if we? If we want jobs, we can, we can we?

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Carl van Warmerdam: There's plenty of things here to do for restoration,

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Carl van Warmerdam: and to try to

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Carl van Warmerdam: actually, in fact, decarbonize. But

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Carl van Warmerdam: all these, all these turbines, all all these solar panels.

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Carl van Warmerdam: They all require mining.

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Carl van Warmerdam: So this is a destruction of the planet, Destruction of earth. We're not. We don't have any mines here in Rhode Island, so we're not mining those the steel. All the minerals that's that's going to be

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Carl van Warmerdam: some other community, and usually one that

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Carl van Warmerdam: is, it

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Carl van Warmerdam: has been historically subjected to the

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Carl van Warmerdam: injustice in terms of taking a brunt of

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Carl van Warmerdam: energy requirements.

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Carl van Warmerdam: So

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Carl van Warmerdam: this this is this is not going to solve the problem. This is going to make our problem worse.

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Carl van Warmerdam: So

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Carl van Warmerdam: i'm adamant against this. I don't understand

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Carl van Warmerdam: why we think this is going to

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Carl van Warmerdam: ah help this.

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Carl van Warmerdam: It's it's not

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Carl van Warmerdam: um

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Carl van Warmerdam: That's it

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Carl van Warmerdam: in terms of the animals that are there. The right whale, the fishermen who

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Carl van Warmerdam: fish those seas. This is going to affect them all that. So those livelihoods and those those species

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Carl van Warmerdam: are going to be affected.

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Carl van Warmerdam: So. Um,

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Carl van Warmerdam: So that this Ah, you know it. Ah, I can see. Okay, great. The Chamber of Commerce wants this. Yeah, this will be good. It will get jobs, but that's not what you were trying to do.

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Carl van Warmerdam: We're trying to solve for climate change,

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Carl van Warmerdam: and this is not going to happen

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Carl van Warmerdam: so. Ah, this will just exasperate that. So now all this mining that's required, and because there are there aren't enough resources, you're going to run into the same problem as you do with fossil fuels. These are finite resources.

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Carl van Warmerdam: They're now starting to mine the oceans. So here it is. So we have to electrify everything. Electrify the cars. Where do we get these metals? Well, let's mind the oceans. Well, that's really a good idea.

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Carl van Warmerdam: And so it's not what we use, what kind of energy we use for our cars. It's the car

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Carl van Warmerdam: period. Let's Let's get rid of the cars, so

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Carl van Warmerdam: all the cars require mining. They require this electric or

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Carl van Warmerdam: ah internal combustions have tires on them, the rubber, it's all. Where does the tires go? Where do they go? Where did everything get recycled? It Doesn't get recycled? They go to landfills,

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Carl van Warmerdam: So i'm adamantly opposed to this, and it's not a a nimby thing. It's a Nope, not on planet Earth. Thank you for your time.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you

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Meg Perry | SWCA: all right. We've got

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Ah, David Michel, who tried to try to speak earlier. See if we can have better luck next this time.

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David Michel: Can you hear me? Yes, we can.

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David Michel: Great. So this is uh David Michel. I'm a Connecticut uh State representative. Uh, thank you for uh organizing this public hearing, and I just wanted to make a couple of comments um

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David Michel: in regards to

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David Michel: both, of course, the is in the in terms of the environment and the jobs as well.

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David Michel: I don't think that if we pal, drive those monopoes. We're going to solve climate issues for a couple of reasons. One, the Sound and I worked with Christopher Clark, who is the number one scientist in the world, and or to panic right whales before he was at hired

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David Michel: by vineyard wind,

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David Michel: talking about the sound limits, the noisiness and the

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David Michel: the mitigation.

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David Michel: The ways to mitigate sound will not be enough if a whale is in the area at a specific time within a half a mile, or whatever. Now I know that there's observation techniques that are going to be used.

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David Michel: But

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David Michel: if we know that at certain times of the year we're supposed to see whales in one specific area, because they follow the food.

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David Michel: Well, talking to Noah personnel, I also found out that

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David Michel: they're not necessarily where we expect them to be so. I think we're going to run into issues with the north of any great whales, despite what the developers saying, we,

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David Michel: you know, and on the job creation. I really have to talk about this. I requested a study be made by Tufts University Structural Engineering Department to compare monopoly and concrete gravity base

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David Michel: we're talking, say we don't build the secondary still for the monopoly in Connecticut.

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David Michel: We will, with a concrete gravity base. We will create twenty five times the amount of jobs,

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David Michel: and if we were to build, and there's no there's no plans on that right now in Connecticut to build the second industry for monopoly, we'd still be the amount of jobs by twelve,

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David Michel: twelve times.

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David Michel: Can't talk about economy. We're fixing the economy. If we're not going to take this seriously by on two levels. We talked about jobs. Well, there it is. We want to talk about environment.

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David Michel: Let me explain. Go back to the Wells.

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David Michel: Whales are the gardeners of the seas. They maintain the level of phytoplankton in the ocean. They maintain the phytoplankton with their ah plumes filled with nutrients and their well-teled movements sending the phytoplankton to the surface to multiply, and that phytoplankton is responsible for three things.

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David Michel: It's responsible for carbon absorption so much that a whale when it dies could carry up to ten thousand trees worth of carbon absorption in its carcass.

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David Michel: The phytoplankton also produces fifty to eighty percent of the oxygen we breathe,

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David Michel: and third, the phytoplankton is the source of food for the zooplankton, which are the beneficiaries. So when we're talking about birds and all the other animals,

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David Michel: I think that it's very important to talk about the keystone species, and and there are going to be the most affected by noise.

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David Michel: Why are we even going to try

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David Michel: this way. Why can't we be leaders in this industry on the east coast, or wherever we are going to do this this bit with concrete gravity base,

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David Michel: no vertical minds. It's not a floating foundation. The whales are not going to bump into it, but concrete gravity days that get silent me

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David Michel: lower it to the sea floor.

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David Michel: I've heard the arguments of the developers in Connecticut,

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David Michel: and they've been the boat

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David Michel: against concrete gravity base.

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David Michel: So

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i'm not saying, we shouldn't be doing this.

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David Michel: But when I look at the impact statement that I see moderate on on marine mammals, I see moderate on the benthos, how can you explain moderate impact on the benthic life? If you're going to pile, drive, steel pipes into the C Four.

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David Michel: Where is the impact on the watertog with the cloudy. We've got to take this very seriously when the threshold of collapse with the ocean is on the threshold of collapse. We cannot play with it

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David Michel: right now. I'm seeing a lot of a lot of gings,

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David Michel: and these games have to stop,

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David Michel: and we need to step up to the plate. Be responsible. You don't find climate change by hurting the climate regulator in the ocean. That's a bad statement. We're not going to fix climate change by power, driving still Bytes teeth. Pacific concrete gravity basis. Thank you very much.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay. Next up we have

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Nicole Verdi.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Are you there, Nicole?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: And you will need to click, unmute

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and zoom.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Nicole Verdi, we're not hearing you. Um, So you It looks like you're still muted in zoom You may need to click the mute unmute button

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Meg Perry | SWCA: in order for us to hear you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, might be a technical issue there, because we're still not hearing you. So we'll come back to you in Just a moment, Nicole.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I'm gonna just do a quick roll call for anyone else that we missed earlier in case they've joined.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: And if you hear your name. Please raise your hand so that we know you're here, and can give you a chance to share your comment. So I believe that was Ah, Megan Lap,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thomas Sheridan,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: David Wallace

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Heather Weitzner.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Oh, good! Back to my list here.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Walter Kazmierczak

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Thomas Sheridan: Thomas Sheridan is here.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Oh, Great Okay, You're signed in as Nicole

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Gotcha. All right. I'm going to turn to you in just a moment. Let me just get hands up for any of these other folks who have joined

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um Olayiwola Otun,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Frederick Gilbert and George Leitch if any of you all are with us, please raise your hand

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Meg Perry | SWCA: by clicking that raise hand button and zoom or pressing Star nine to let us know that you're here

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Meg Perry | SWCA: all right. Uh Thomas Sheridan.

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Thomas Sheridan: Thank you for the opportunity. Sorry for not being available earlier. Little technical difficulty.

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Thomas Sheridan: I'm President and Ceo, of the Chamber of Commerce, of Eastern Connecticut, cover forty two towns in the region,

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Thomas Sheridan: and we have a thousand four hundred and

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Thomas Sheridan: companies, and I'm here to, you know,

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Thomas Sheridan: enthusiastically support the Revolution Wind Project

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Thomas Sheridan: First, for two main reasons, which have been much has been said already about the two reasons. One is the economic development

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Thomas Sheridan: that that the whole offshore wind business brings to Connecticut, and the second reading reason is the we all have today.

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Thomas Sheridan: Both our skin and never source, have been great partners in the region. This is the start of this project. They've been devoted to working with everybody

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Thomas Sheridan: at a number of meetings on the subject. To bring people up to date is another one, scheduled or later in November.

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Thomas Sheridan: So, for all the reasons I have been mentioned previously, and on behalf of my board, and

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Thomas Sheridan: one thousand or one hundred companies

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Thomas Sheridan: that belong to the Chamber at night,

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Thomas Sheridan: enthusiastically support this project and

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Thomas Sheridan: would urge approval as soon as possible. Thank you for the time.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: It looks like we have heard from all the commenters who are with us, or had raised their hands. So I'll just say thank you very much for all of those comments for your attention and and contributions. Today

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Meg Perry | SWCA: we I'll take a last call for any questions to be submitted, using that Q and A tool. So click on the Q and A button in zoom and type in your question. If you have a question that you'd like to be answered by the team today,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and then we're going to take a short break before we go into responding to those questions. I know we've been on for almost two hours, so folks might need a moment to step away from their computers. So

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Meg Perry | SWCA: please submit any final questions now, and we will have responses to those when we return. Ah, for the question and the answer session, and I have two hundred and fifty Eastern time. So let's come back at three o'clock for the questions and answers, Thanks. Everyone.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: All right. We are going to resume and begin our Q and A. Session.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Give folks a minute to get back in their seats if you've stepped away,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and i'll just say thanks again for everyone's attention and participation already in today's session.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So we've had a number of of excellent questions come in via the Q and A thanks for those, and we're going to just walk through those and have

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Meg Perry | SWCA: staff on the line share their responses.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So

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Meg Perry | SWCA: uh, I think. First,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: i'm going to have Kate Sagarra come on to provide a response.

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Kate Segarra: Hi! Can you see me?

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Kate Segarra: Yes, we can, all right. Okay. So we had a question from David

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Ciochetto, and the question was, Has bone considered for this project, where boulders

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Meg Perry | SWCA: the pick and move operations in route, preparations will be placed.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: We have received feedback from stakeholders that they prefer co-locating boulders with existing known boulders or grouping them This would reduce new hangs for commercial fishermen and create more beneficial congruent habitats

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Meg Perry | SWCA: val fork. ROD differs from this point of view, and actually requires boulders to be moved to areas with low back scatter. So this applies to the manual boulder relocations, and not with the prelay plow on all cable routes.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So what's the response there, Kate? And could you introduce yourself that folks know who you

are?

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Kate Segarra: Oh, yes, i'd be happy to Hi i'm Kate Segarra. I am the supervisor for biological sciences in the Gulf of Mexico region, and also one of the Nemo coordinators on this project.

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Kate Segarra: And, David, thank you so much for your question, and joining us here today. Hi! So I know you know most of this. But for the benefit of everyone listening during construction. Micro-routing around larger boulders or boulder clusters will be performed to the extent practical,

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Kate Segarra: however boulder relocation may be used to relocate or remove service, or partially embedded boulders and debris. During the installation of the export cable. The proposed action includes two potential methodologies of boulder relocation

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Kate Segarra: boulder, plowing, and boulder grabs. If the boulder plow is used, the boulders will simply be pushed aside If the boulder grabs are used. The boulders would be relocated away from the export cable corridor to other locations within the lease area.

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Kate Segarra: If you have comments or recommendations about the locations of these relocated holders, we encourage you to submit your comments regarding bolder relocation on the deis, so that it may be recorded.

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Kate Segarra: So please do so. And we thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, great. Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um. And I believe Trevis Olivier is going to provide responses for most of the other questions. So, Trevis, if you want to come on

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: great.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So first question for you was from Michelle Fitzgerald, who asked, Can you explain the difference between D1 and D3, and i'm happy to pull up slides to remind folks what those look like if that would be helpful,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: does the right one?

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Yeah. So you can see the boxes there and the figure. I want you three different options.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The difference between

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and D three proposes to remove the seven positions along the

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: and in addition to the presentation images. With these two all types of layouts can be found in volume one the eis, one page,

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: two dashboard of four and on page two dash forty-six um as well as only um

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Meg Perry | SWCA: great, thank you,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I mean. And yet so for anyone who wasn't clear when we first went through it, the red areas on these alternative diagrams are um areas removed from the alternative?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: What?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay? Next question for you, Trevis? From Julia Beattie, who asked, Does the DEIS make it clear which alternatives could or could not be combined while still needing the purpose in need.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Oh, yeah. So the DEIS does make it clear that a combination of the alternatives could be selected as the

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: so to book. The draft of the EIS on page one eleven chapter one.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: The alternatives described, or are not mutually exclusive. How it's approved or proved that modifications phone could mix and match multiple risks and elsewhere

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Polystara, to result in a preferred alternative along as crucial design parameters are compatible.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thank you

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Meg Perry | SWCA: all right. Then. We had a question from Charles Rothenberger, who asked:

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Ah! Despite the fact that several of the alternatives reduce impacts to various impact categories. All of the alternatives are rated on a scale that only references, adverse impacts, i. E. Negligible to moderate to major adverse and not read it according to beneficial impacts. Why is this the case?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: It would seem, for example, that an alternative that reduces the number of turbines while fulfilling the capacity of the Connecticut and Rhode Island, Tpas would have an overall beneficial impact.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: So the DEIS analyzes all alternatives for both potential adverse and initial impacts. Um! The The future for beneficial impact was evaluated for all alternatives and um, these are not within the is where you plot

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: um. It's important to know that a reduction in matters impact um does not always register as a beneficial. For for example, the removal of wind turbine generators may reduce the adverse impacts, visual resources. But the um.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: It does not provide an overall beneficial effect to the resource category overall.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: all right. Next question is from Harriet Bernstein, who said, My concern is future cost of electricity and the reduction of consumption.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Is there any educational campaign plan to help reduce consumption of electricity. And as our electric bills have recently increased substantially, is there any policy going forward that would limit the cost of electricity?

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So sort of a two part question there.

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Yeah, Um.

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Trevis Olivier | BOEM: Good question. Thank you for questioning today. BOEM does not regulate cost or consumption of electricity. Um, we understand your concerns, but they are to be honest.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thanks.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: All right.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Excellent questions. Thanks. Everyone for submitting those,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and it looks like we have one more

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Meg Perry | SWCA: uh before we wrap things up

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Meg Perry | SWCA: so we'll take just but we're still working on the response there, so it'll be just a moment for the response to that last question.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: But maybe while we're doing that, if we want to turn to

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Meg Perry | SWCA: any reminders about next steps, as I've posted in the chat, if you scroll up in the chat, and I can repost some of these things

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Meg Perry | SWCA: we do. You do have several options between now and October seventeenth, for submitting

comments. There are additional public hearings coming up in person next week on Tuesday through Thursday you'll see me there Um! And a second virtual public hearing the following week.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Um! So if you'd like to attend another public hearing. You can. Um! There are also these other ways to submit comments, and i'll just put that information again in the chat for everyone.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So again, those options are through one of the public hearings, via mail to the

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Meg Perry | SWCA: the program Manager Office of Renewable Energy Programs Bureau of Ocean Energy management,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: four, five, six, zero, zero woodland road

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Meg Perry | SWCA: VAM-OREP.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Sterling, Virginia

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Zip Code, two zero, one, six, six

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Meg Perry | SWCA: online at WWW dot regulations dot Gov:

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Meg Perry | SWCA: And there's a specific docket number for this project, which is

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Meg Perry | SWCA: B, O, E, M, dash, twenty, twenty two, dash, zero, zero, forty five. And so once you search for that docket number, you should be able to click on the comment button to submit your comments online.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay, And we'll be turning to our last question here in just a moment.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: I'll also put again in chat about the couple of website links. If you have additional questions

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Meg Perry | SWCA: or want to review information. There is

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Meg Perry | SWCA: website, and this is the Boe and website where you can find the draft environmental impact statement and review it.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: So i'll post that once more in the chat for you.

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Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Kate, Are we back to you for a response to this question?

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Kate Segarra: Hi, yes, I believe we are.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Yeah. So, Carl, who you heard from before, asked, Why is there not a heading for impact in the draft Environmental impact statement specifically addressing the effect of the project on the three hundred and fifty right whales left alive that live in the site area.

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Kate Segarra: Right? Thank you for your question. The potential impacts to the north of Atlantic right whale are analyzed in the Deis under the heading Marine Mammals, and as an example, please see Section three point one, five.

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Kate Segarra: The impacts of the North Atlantic Right whale were factored into the overall impact terminations for marine males for each of our alternatives.

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Kate Segarra: Okay, And that's again. Section three point one five in the draft environmental impact statement, and that document is available at the website that I just put in the chat. So you'd like to take a look at the details. That's where you can find it.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Okay,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Great.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: All right. Well, um. Once again i'll, I'll say, thank you to everyone who has participated in today's meeting um, sharing questions and comments. You do have until October seventeenth to submit any additional comments,

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Meg Perry | SWCA: and or we hope to see some of you at our in-person meetings next week, or in the subsequent virtual meeting the following week. Um, Okay. So i'm going to turn it back to Boeem for any closing remarks to wrap things up here.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Jess. I believe that's you.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: I'm here I've got.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: I'm Here I can take it.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Oh, great go ahead. Okay, Great Thanks.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: So once again thank you for everybody for being here again. Karen Baker. I'm. The chief of the office of renewable energy programs for the Bureau of Ocean energy management. I would like to thank

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Karen Baker, BOEM: SWCA, the BOEM staff and the Us. Army Corps of Engineers for holding a successful public virtual meeting for the revolution. When the draft and vernal impact statement We had a good turnout this evening peaking at around one hundred and one

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Karen Baker, BOEM: people ah are so online, and we appreciate everybody's comments and everyone that's made in today's meeting. I wanted to thank you for spending these last few hours with us, and many many thoughtful comments and questions we submitted.

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Ruthann Brien, USACE: All comments are seen today,

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Karen Baker, BOEM: and during the comment period will be assessed and considered by Boeing during preparation of the final environmental impact statement. I hope you've been provided a good forum to share your comments on aspects

of the project that are a concern to you, and that you found our answers to your questions to be both useful and responsive.

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Karen Baker, BOEM: Your input is essential to ensure that the best informed decision will be made for proposed projects. I also want to reiterate that there are multiple methods available to you to provide your comments on the draft. Eis statement by October seventeenth, two thousand and twenty. Two comments can be submitted through regulations. Gov. Using docket number Boeem,

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Karen Baker, BOEM: two, two, two zero, two, two zero, zero, four, five or mail to boom enclosed in an envelope labeled Revolution, Wind, Copdes and Address to Program Manager Office of Renewable Energy Programs, Bureau of Ocean Energy, Management, Four thousand five hundred

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Karen Baker, BOEM: Woodland Road, Sterling, Virginia, two zero, one, six, six as a reminding a reminder, a recording of today's virtual meeting, as well as the second virtual meeting. We posted on boom's, revolution, wind, Virtual Meeting Room Page. Thank you.

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Meg Perry | SWCA: Thanks, everyone. With that we are adjourned.