



# Progress Report: TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay Offshore Wind Project (OCS-A 0545)

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## ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Acronym/abbreviation	Definition
ACP	Agency Communications Plan
BOEM	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
DER	Duke Energy Renewables. LLC
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
FCP	Fisheries Communications Plan
fishing communities	commercial and recreational fishing industries; tribal subsistence fishers
Lease Area	Lease Area OCS-A 0545
NATCP	Native American Tribes Communications Plan
NOAA Fisheries	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - National Marine Fisheries Service
NPS	National Park Service
OCS	Outer Continental Shelf
Project	TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay (TE-CLBay)
TES	Tribal Engagement Survey
Tribes	Native American Tribes, Tribal Nations, and Tribal Organizations
USCG	United States Coast Guard
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service

## **1.0 PURPOSE, REPORTING, AND COMMENTING**

### **1.1 Progress Report Purpose**

TotalEnergies Renewables USA, LLC (“TotalEnergies”), is the leaseholder of Lease Area OCS-A 0545 (“Lease Area”), a 54,937-acre area approximately 20 nautical miles from the coast of North Carolina. TotalEnergies proposes to construct and operate a wind energy generation facility within the Lease Area called TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay (“TE-CLBay” or “Project”).

TotalEnergies has developed this Progress Report (“Report”) to comply with lease Addendum C Section 3.1, which requires a progress report every six months (or as Bureau of Ocean Energy Management [“BOEM”] otherwise directs) through the site assessment term that includes a brief narrative of engagement since the last progress report, or, in the case of the first report, since the lease effective date (June 1, 2022).

Due to the early timing of the project and introductory nature of discussions with stakeholders, specific project design elements, transmission planning and implementation strategies were not discussed - and no potential effects were identified. Future Progress Reports will include potential effects that are identified and discussed with interested parties as well as the evaluation of those potential effects.

If BOEM provides comments on the progress report (within 60 calendar days from receipt), TotalEnergies will address comments and modify the progress report.

### **1.2 Potentially Affected Groups**

TotalEnergies engagement efforts are focused on groups that may be potentially affected by the Project. These groups include but are not limited to the following.

- Coastal communities
- Commercial and recreational fishing industries (“fishing communities”)
- Educational and research institutions
- Environmental and public interest non-governmental organizations
- Federal, state and local agencies
- Native American Tribes, Tribal Nations, and Tribal Organizations (“Tribes”) with cultural or historical ties to and an interest in the Lease Area
- Mariners and the maritime industry
- Ocean users
- Submarine cable operators
- Underserved, disadvantaged, and overburdened communities

### **1.3 Progress Report Organization**

This Progress Report has been developed based on requirements outlined in Section 3.1 of Addendum C of Lease OCS-A 0545 and is organized by two audience-specific sections: Section 2.0, Tribal Engagement and Section 3.0, All Other Potentially Affected Parties Engagement. Per lease stipulation 3.1.4, the progress report must include an update regarding progress in executing the

activities included in survey plans, however TotalEnergies has not completed any survey plans and therefore no update is included within this document.

TotalEnergies and Duke Energy Renewables Wind, LLC (DER), owner of the adjacent Lease Area OCS-A 0546, have agreed to hold joint outreach meetings when possible as the projects advance per lease stipulation 3.1.3.

## 2.0 TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT

### 2.1 Tribal Liaison Contact Information

Contact information for TotalEnergies’ staff lead for Tribal engagement and TotalEnergies’ designated Tribal Liaison is provided in Table 2-1.

**Table 2-1. TE-CLBay Tribal Liaison Points of Contact**

Name	Role	Contact Information
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### 2.2 Tribes with Interests in the Project

BOEM’s lease stipulations require TotalEnergies to engage with federally recognized Tribes that have historical and cultural ties to the Lease Area. Both TotalEnergies and DER have elected to also engage with state recognized Tribes, recognizing the importance of allowing all Native American peoples with historical and cultural ties to the Lease Area an opportunity to share their perspectives, opinions, concerns, and recommendations during development of the Project. Table 2-2 lists these Tribes that will be engaged by the Project.

**Table 2-1. Tribes, Tribal Nations, and Tribal Organizations Engaged for the Project**

<b>Federally Recognized Tribes/Tribal Nations</b>
Delaware Tribe of Indians
Delaware Nation
Nansemond Indian Nation
Chickahominy Indian Tribe
Chickahominy Indian Tribe Eastern Division
Monacan Indian Nation
Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe
Rappahannock Tribe
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Nation
United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians
Tuscarora Nation
Catawba Indian Nation
Shawnee Tribe <sup>1</sup>
Seminole Tribe of Florida
Pamunkey Indian Tribe
<b>State Recognized Tribes/Tribal Organizations</b>
Coharie Intra-Tribal Council
Haliwa-Saponi Tribe
Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina
Meherrin Indian Tribe
Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation
Sappony
Waccamaw Siouan Tribe
Beaver Creek Indians
Edisto Natchez-Kusso Tribe of South Carolina
Pee Dee Indian Nation of Upper South Carolina
Pee Dee Indian Tribe

<sup>1</sup> In an email dated December 9, 2022, BOEM informed the Project Team that the Shawnee Tribe had informed BOEM that their area of interest includes North Carolina and South Carolina and, as a result, BOEM recommended that the Project Team include the Shawnee Tribe in the NATCP. On December 16, 2022, the Project Team sent a letter to the Shawnee Tribe inviting them to participate in the NATCP and a copy of the Tribal Engagement Survey.

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Lower Eastern Cherokee Nation of South Carolina
The Santee Indian Organization
Sumter Tribe of Cheraw Indians
Waccamaw Indian People
Wassamasaw Tribe of Varnertown Indians
Chaloklowa Chickasaw Indian People
Eastern Cherokee, Southern Iroquois, and United Tribes of South Carolina
Natchez Tribe of South Carolina
Pee Dee Indian Nation of Beaver Creek

<sup>a</sup> All Tribes identified with historical or cultural ties to or interest in the Lease Area (OCS-A 0545) are included in Project-related engagement activities unless a specific request or direction has been received from a Tribal representative that specifies their desired participation.

### 2.3 Tribal Engagement Activities

#### 2.3.1 Summary of Engagement Since the Lease Effective Date

Following lease execution, TotalEnergies, DER and BOEM discussed postponing project-specific outreach to the Tribes until after BOEM’s initial outreach would conclude in mid-October 2022. Per these discussions, Total Energies submitted an extension request for obligations relating to engaging with Tribes and those obligations relating to the Native American Tribes Communication Plan (NATCP) as set out in sections 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 of Addendum C of Lease OCS-A 0545 to February 2023. The extension, approved by BOEM on October 21, 2022, allows for alignment of outreach efforts to the Tribes and will form a strong start for continued engagement.

Following BOEM direction, TotalEnergies and DER began engaging with Tribes in November 2022 with the distribution of a Tribal Engagement Survey designed to determine the preferred level of engagement for each Tribe and inform the NATCP.

#### 2.3.2 Tribal Engagement Activities and Key Performance Indicators

Table 2-3 identifies Tribal engagement activities that have occurred since the lease effective date.



**Table 2-3: Tribal Engagement Activities and Key Performance Indicators for the Project**

Tribal Engagement Activities	Engagement Type	Status	Timing/ Frequency	Description/ Topics Discussed	Significant Outcomes
Tribal Engagement Survey ("TES")	Survey	In Progress	Ongoing; sent to begin engagement	TotalEnergies and DER distributed an invitation for a meeting and a survey to Tribes to solicit their feedback on the types, frequency, and content of NATCP engagement activities.	Mailed copies of the survey were sent on 11-23-12. Any Tribes that do not respond within 4 weeks will be contacted by phone to determine interest in further engaging with the Project.

Key:

BOEM – Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

DER – Duke Energy Renewables, LLC

NATCP – Native American Tribes Communications Plan

TES – Tribal Engagement Survey

Tribes – Native American Tribes, Tribal Nations, and Tribal Organizations

## 3.0 ALL OTHER POTENTIALLY AFFECTED PARTIES ENGAGEMENT

### 3.1 Stakeholder and Community Engagement Points of Contact

TotalEnergies stakeholder and community engagement points of contact are identified in Table 3-1.

**Table 3-1. TE-CLBay Stakeholder and Community Engagement Points of Contact**

Name	Role	Contact Information
<b>Jen Banks</b>	Permitting and Development Director	Address: 1201 Louisiana Street, Ste 1300 Houston, TX 77002 Email: jen.banks@totalenergies.com
<b>Susan Munroe</b>	Community Engagement Manager	Address: 1201 Louisiana Street, Ste 1300 Houston, TX 77002 Email: susan.munroe@totalenergies.com
<b>Sylvain Riba</b>	Asset Director	Address: 1201 Louisiana Street, Ste 1300 Houston, TX 77002 Email: sylvain.riba@totalenergies.com

### 3.2 Stakeholder and Community Engagement Activities

#### 3.3.1 Summary of Engagement Progress Since Lease Effective Date

Since acquiring the Lease, TotalEnergies has continued to build and expand its stakeholder and community engagement team for the Carolina Long Bay Project, which includes a project director (started in September 2022), a community engagement manager (started in November 2022), and a fisheries liaison (to start January 2023). During this time, TotalEnergies has pursued numerous engagement activities with fishing communities, agencies, and other stakeholders by attending conferences, technical and management meetings, and community events. Through these efforts, TotalEnergies has established relationships with federal and state agencies, members of fishing communities, universities, technical working groups, and members of the public. TotalEnergies continues to build upon and strengthen these relationships by providing Project information and updates and remaining open and flexible to pursuing different avenues for information sharing.

#### 3.3.2 Stakeholder and Community Engagement Activities and Key Performance Indicators

Table 3-2 identifies engagement activities with fishing communities, agencies, stakeholders, and other parties that have occurred since the lease effective date.

**Table 3-2: Stakeholder and Community Engagement Activities for the Project**

Engagement Activities by Project Phase	Engagement Type	Status	Timing/Frequency	Description/ Topics Discussed	Significant Outcomes
<b>Federal Agencies</b>	Outreach and Engagement Support	In Progress	Ongoing	TotalEnergies and DER held joint meetings with federal agencies to introduce the Project teams and identify engagement preferences.	TotalEnergies and DER held meetings with the following agencies. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BOEM – monthly calls</li> <li>• Department of Defense Siting Clearinghouse – initial call October 2022; future coordination as needed</li> <li>• FAA – initial call October 2022; future coordination as needed</li> <li>• NOAA Fisheries – initial call September 2022; quarterly calls planned for 2023</li> <li>• National Park Service – initial call October 2022; future coordination as needed</li> <li>• US Army Corps of Engineers – initial call October 2022; future coordination as needed</li> <li>• USCG – initial call October 2022; future coordination as needed</li> <li>• USFWS – initial call September 2022; quarterly calls planned for 2023</li> </ul>
<b>State and Local Agencies</b>	Agency Engagement	In Progress	Ongoing	TotalEnergies and DER plan to hold joint meetings with select state agencies as the Project moves forward. TotalEnergies has met with state agencies in both North Carolina and South Carolina and will continue engagement with state and local agencies.	TotalEnergies has met with the following agencies: NC Department of Commerce, NC Governor’s Office, SC State Energy Office, SC Department of Commerce. Additional meetings are planned for 2023.  TotalEnergies is a member of the North Carolina Taskforce for Offshore Wind Economic Resource Strategies (NC TOWERS), created by Governor Cooper via Executive Order 218, which includes representatives from state agencies, local agencies, educational institutions, developers, and supply chain companies. TotalEnergies presented an introduction to the Carolina Long Bay Project during the August 2022 quarterly meeting of the Taskforce.
<b>Fishing Communities</b>	Outreach and Engagement Support	In Progress	Ongoing	TotalEnergies has hired a Fisheries Liaison that will start in January 2023. Engagement with fishing communities, mariners, the maritime industry, and other ocean users is being coordinated with DER and targeted meetings will be initiated first quarter 2023.	TotalEnergies and DER presented jointly to the Habitat Group of the South Atlantic Fisheries Management Council on November 3, 2022.
<b>Industry and Trade Associations</b>	Agency Engagement, Policy/Regulatory	In Progress	Ongoing	TotalEnergies engages with several industry associations at the national and state level to follow state and federal policy actions.	TotalEnergies is a member of, and engages with, the following organizations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• American Clean Power – TotalEnergies participates on the Environmental Health and Safety Subcommittee, the Tribal Working Group, the Offshore Wind Council, the Maritime Subcommittee, Offshore Permitting and Environment Subcommittee and the Offshore Regulatory and Legislative Advocacy Committee.</li> <li>• Business Network for Offshore Wind</li> <li>• North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association (NCSEA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ TotalEnergies presented at an NCSEA event</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Southeastern Wind Coalition – TotalEnergies is on the Board of Directors</li> </ul>
<b>Key Local Stakeholders</b>	Outreach and Engagement Support	In Progress	Ongoing	TotalEnergies hired a Community Engagement Manager, Susan Munroe, in November 2022. Engagement with key local stakeholders is being coordinated with DER and targeted meetings will be initiated first quarter 2023.	TotalEnergies and DER will work to catalogue stakeholders, refine talking points, and initiate contact during the end of 2022 and into the first quarter of 2023.

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