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Updates on Selected Executive Orders Applicable to the Work of NOAA Fisheries

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EO 13990: Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crisis

Section 3. Restoring National Monuments

- DOI led review of NE Canyons & Seamounts Marine National Monument w/in 60 days
- DOI listening sessions in March and April 2021
- Report has not been made publicly available

Section 7. Other Revocations

- Revokes EO 13807 “One Federal Decision”
- Replacement order currently under development by OMB/CEQ

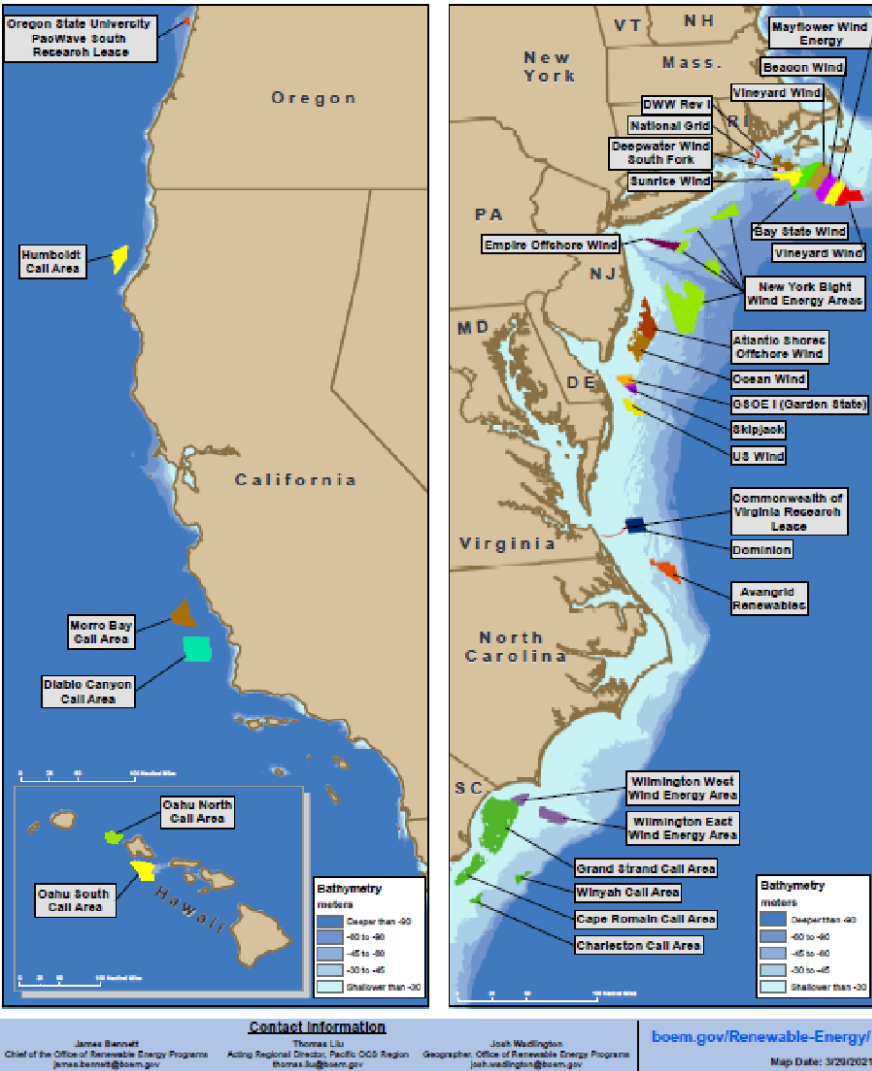
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Section 207. Renewable Energy

- Directs DOI to review siting and permitting processes to identify steps to increase renewable energy production. Sets a goal of doubling offshore wind by 2030
- March White House Forum on Offshore Wind - Targets deploying 30 gigawatts by 2030 and BOEM completing review of 16 construction & operation plans by 2025.

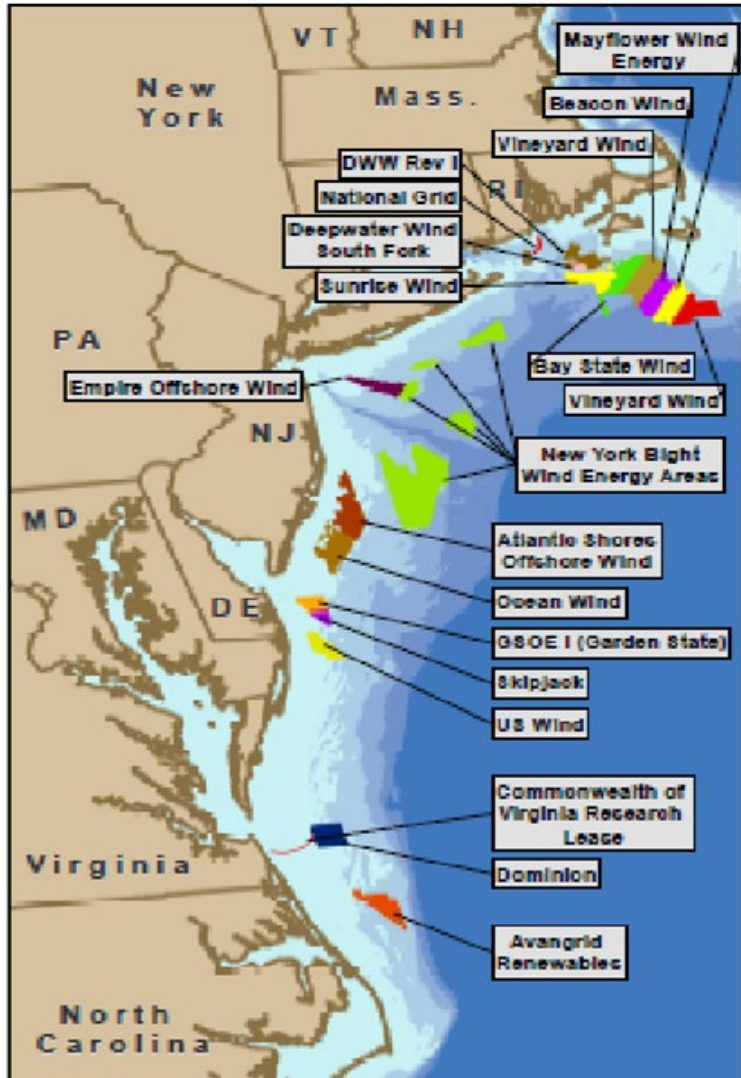
Current Leases and Call Areas

- 17 active commercial & 1 active research leases in the Atlantic
- 1 active research lease off OR
- New Wind Energy Areas identified in NY Bight in March 2021
- Call Areas off SC (2015), HI (2016) and CA (2018)
- Creation of the Gulf of Mexico Intergovernmental Renewable Energy Task Force in 2021



Environmental Review & Workload

- White House goal to approve **at least** 16 Construction & Operations Plans (COPs) by late 2024/early 2025
- 14 submitted COPs
- Site Assessment Plan reviews
- New industry to U.S. waters—unknown impacts



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Section 208. Oil & Natural Gas

- Directs DOI to pause new oil and natural gas leases pending completion of review and reconsideration of permitting and leasing practices – required to consult with NOAA.

Section 215. Civilian Climate Corps

- Requires DOI in consultation with other agencies to submit a strategy for creating a Civilian Climate Corps
- NOAA is participating the interagency strategy working group

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Section 216. Conserving Lands and Waters

Section 216(c).

- Directs DOC/NOAA to “*initiate efforts in the first 60 days from the date of this order to **collect input** from fishermen, regional ocean councils, fishery management councils, scientists, and other stakeholders on **how to make fisheries and protected resources more resilient to climate change**, including changes in management and conservation measures, and improvements in science, monitoring, and cooperative research.*”

Tribal Consultations & Racial Equity

- **Presidential Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships**
 - DOC held two consultation calls - one comment we heard from the tribes is that they would like Council meetings more inclusive and more accessible to Tribal Nations.
- **EO 13985: Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government**
 - NOAA developing an “Advancing Equity for All Roadmap”
 - NMFS Equity and Environmental Justice Working Group

Other Executive Orders and Presidential Memos Concerning Federal Regulation

- **Presidential Memorandum on Modernizing Regulatory Review**

Transition to Letise LaFeir

EO 14008, Section 216(a) Update

