

suiting to local, regional, and national needs and concerns. The BLM will use an interdisciplinary approach including, among others, specialists in the fields of wildlife, threatened and endangered species, rangeland, invasive species, fuels, energy and minerals, and recreation management to develop any land use plan amendment(s) to address the variety of resource issues and concerns identified. The BLM will consider all comments received during this scoping effort and utilize the substantive comments received to identify alternatives, analysis issues, and refinements to the scope of this planning initiative.

The BLM will utilize and coordinate the NEPA and land use planning processes for this planning initiative to help support procedural requirements under the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. 306108) and Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1536). The information about historic and cultural resources and threatened and endangered species within the area potentially affected by the proposed action will assist the BLM in identifying and evaluating impacts to such resources.

The BLM will consult with Indian Tribes on a government-to-government basis in accordance with Executive Order 13175 and other policies. Tribal concerns, including impacts on Indian trust assets and potential impacts to cultural resources, will be given due consideration.

Federal, State, and local agencies, along with Tribes and other stakeholders that may be interested in or affected by the proposed action that the BLM is evaluating, are invited to participate in the scoping process and, if eligible, may request or be requested by the BLM to participate in the development of the EISs as a cooperating agency.

You may submit comments through the methods described in the **ADDRESSES** section listed earlier. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

(Authority: 40 CFR 1501.7 and 43 CFR 1610.2)

David Jenkins,

Assistant Director, Resources and Planning.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Onshore Oil and Gas Leasing, and Drainage Protection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 22, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection request (ICR) should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Jennifer Spencer by email at j35spenc@blm.gov, or by telephone at 307–775–6261. Individuals who are hearing or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 for TTY assistance. You may also view the ICR at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) and 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

A **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day public comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on August 9, 2021 (86 FR 43563). One comment was received in response to that notice. The commenter noted that an annual frequency of collection was too frequent for this collection of information and that the frequency should be every three years. However, the information is not collected annually but rather on occasion initiated by certain events pursuant to covered onshore oil and gas leases.

As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, we are again soliciting comments from the public and other Federal agencies on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following:

- (1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;
- (2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) How might the agency minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of response.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Abstract: The BLM collects information to monitor and enforce compliance with drainage protection and other requirements pertaining to Federal and Indian oil and gas leasing and operations (except on the Osage Reservation). This request of for OMB to renew this OMB control number for an additional three years.

There are no program or policy changes proposed with this renewal request. However, the BLM is projecting that the estimated burden for this OMB control number will be adjusted downward. Therefore, the BLM request a reduction of 5,241 annual burden hours (from 42,936 to 37,695) and a reduction of \$2,526,933 annual non-hour burden cost (from \$3,278,348 to \$751,415). These adjustments are a result of a reduction in the number of respondents to the collections of information under OMB control number 1004-0185 (from 19,711 to 9,131) and updating the number of responses for certain information collections activities.

Title of Collection: Onshore Oil and Gas Leasing, and Drainage Protection (43 CFR parts 3100, 3120, and 3150, and Subpart 3162).

OMB Control Number: 1004-0185.

Form Numbers: None.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Holders of onshore oil and gas lease and public lands and Indian lands (except on the Osage Reservation), operators of such leases, and holders of operating rights on such leases.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 9,131.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 9,132.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: Varies from 1 hour to 24 hours per response, depending on activity.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 37,695.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain a benefit.

Frequency of Collection: "On occasion," except for the activity titled "Option statement," which is required twice a year.

Total Estimated Annual Non-Hour Burden Cost: \$751,415.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Darrin King,

Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

[Docket No. BOEM-2021-0047]

Notice of Additional Public Scoping and Name Change for the Vineyard Wind South Project Offshore Massachusetts Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of additional public scoping; request for comments.

SUMMARY: On June 30, 2021, BOEM published the "Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Vineyard Wind South Project Offshore Massachusetts" in the **Federal Register**. The Notice of Intent (NOI) announced that BOEM will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) to inform its review of a construction and operations plan (COP) submitted by Vineyard Wind, LLC (Vineyard Wind). This notice provides updated project information related to potential changes in cable routing and announces an additional EIS public scoping comment period to account for the new information. Detailed information about the proposed wind energy facilities, including an updated COP, can be found on BOEM's website at: www.BOEM.gov/New-England-Wind. Also, this notice formally announces that the project's name has changed from Vineyard Wind South to New England Wind.

DATES: Comments are due to BOEM no later than December 22, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Written comments can be submitted in any of the following ways:

- Delivered by mail or delivery service, enclosed in an envelope labeled "NEW ENGLAND WIND COP EIS" and addressed to Program Manager, Office of Renewable Energy, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, 45600 Woodland Road, Sterling, Virginia 20166; or
- Through the [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) web portal: Navigate to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for "Docket No. BOEM-2021-0047." Select this document from the search results and, once on the document page, click on the "Comment" button below the document title. Enter your information and comment, then scroll to bottom of the web page and click "Submit Comment."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephanie Fiori, BOEM Office of Environmental Programs, 45600 Woodland Road, Sterling, Virginia

20166, (703) 787-1832, or stephanie.fiori@boem.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 30, 2021, BOEM published the "Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Vineyard Wind South Project Offshore Massachusetts" in the **Federal Register** (86 FR 34782). The NOI announced that BOEM will prepare an EIS as part of its review of a COP submitted by Vineyard Wind and provided project information. This notice provides revised project information and announces an additional EIS public scoping comment process to account for the new information.

Vineyard Wind intends to install all Phase 2 offshore export cables within the offshore export cable corridor (OECC) through the Muskeget Channel to reach landfall sites in the Town of Barnstable, Massachusetts. However, Vineyard Wind has identified two variations of the Phase 2 OECC. These variations are necessary to provide Vineyard Wind with commercial flexibility should technical, logistical, grid interconnection, or other unforeseen issues arise during project review that would preclude or limit placement of Phase 2 export cables through the initial OECC in vicinity of the Muskeget Channel. The two variations of the Phase 2 OECC are as follows:

(1) The Western Muskeget Variant is an OECC variant that was included in the Vineyard Wind 1 project and includes the installation of one or two Phase 2 export cables in the western Muskeget Channel.

(2) The South Coast Variant diverges from the initial OECC at the northern boundary of Lease Area OCS-A 0501 and travels west-northwest to the state waters boundary near Buzzard's Bay, Massachusetts, through state waters, and onshore to a substation. The South Coast Variant includes an offshore routing envelope that indicates a region within Buzzards Bay where the Phase 2 offshore export cables may be installed before making landfall. It also includes an onshore routing envelope that indicates a region within southwest Massachusetts where the Phase 2 onshore cables may be installed. The location of a potential substation in southwest Massachusetts has not been identified.

Public Participation

This notice commences an additional public scoping process to identify issues and potential alternatives related to the two newly proposed variations of the New England Wind Phase 2 OECC. Throughout the scoping process,