

## Comments on Biden Administration Offshore Wind Announcement March 29, 2021

This is exciting news for U.S. offshore wind power and jobs on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. We welcome the Biden Administration's commitment to jumpstart America's offshore wind industry by advancing new lease sales and permitting, investing in port and transmission infrastructure, and setting a 30 gigawatt (GW) national goal by 2030 to drive economies of scale and supply chain build-out.

California has enormous potential to be a leader in environmentally responsible development of offshore wind, which can generate thousands of family wage jobs, at least 10 GW of clean electricity by 2040 (with an interim target of 3 GW by 2030), and help the Golden State meet its ambitious climate goals. We urge the Departments of Interior and Defense – with help from the White House – to move rapidly to resolve California sea space issues on the Central Coast and announce a lease auction schedule by the end of this year. Full speed ahead!

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Fact Sheet: Biden Administration Jumpstarts Offshore Wind Energy Projects to Create Jobs, The White House, March 29, 2021