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## For Immediate Release

### Statement from NYOWA on Agreement Between Environmentalists and Developers of South Fork Wind Farm on Protection of Endangered North Atlantic Right Whale

ALBANY, June 27, 2022 — The New York Offshore Wind Alliance (NYOWA) has issued the following statement in response to the landmark agreement between national environmental groups and the developers of the South Fork Wind Farm on reaching agreement on enhanced measures to be undertaken during construction and operation for the protection of endangered North Atlantic Right Whale.

Fred Zalcman, Director of NYOWA stated, “Today’s agreement marks a major milestone in the responsible development of offshore wind off the East Coast of the U.S. and demonstrates that the essential role that offshore wind will play in addressing the existential threat of climate change should not be undertaken at the cost of short-term impacts to critically endangered marine mammals such as the North Atlantic Right Whale. We hail all participants for their creativity, commitment to science and perseverance in developing these cutting-edge protocols and safeguards.”

[The New York Offshore Wind Alliance \(NYOWA\)](#) is a diverse coalition of organizations with a shared interest in promoting the responsible development of offshore wind power for New York. NYOWA is a project of the Alliance for Clean Energy New York (ACE NY).

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