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NYOWA Statement on BOEM Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Sunrise Wind Project *New notice opens 60-day public comment period*

ALBANY, Dec. 16, 2022 — Today, the New York Offshore Wind Alliance (NYOWA) issued the following statement in response to the issuance by the United States Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) [Notice of Availability](#) for the [Sunrise Wind project](#).

“This is another important milestone in the development of the U.S. offshore wind industry,” said Fred Zalcman, the director of NYOWA. “As one of the first two large-scale offshore wind projects advanced by the state of New York, the Sunrise Wind project will provide an important new source of carbon-free energy, train New Yorkers to fill hundreds of family-sustaining jobs in Long Island and upstate New York, and bring investments in manufacturing and local ports. In addition to these project benefits, this announcement is further evidence of the progress being made by the Biden Administration in accelerating the pace of federal permitting, while still being protective of other ocean users in and around the project area.”

During the comment period, BOEM will hold three virtual public meetings, where the public can learn more about the review process, EIS schedule, potential impacts from the proposed project, and proposals to reduce potential impacts. There will also be an opportunity for participants to provide written comments on the DEIS.

The public meetings will be held on the following dates and times. All times are Eastern:

- Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 5:00 pm
- Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 5:00 pm
- Monday, January 23, 2023 at 1:00 pm

The public comment period ends on February 14, 2023.

The input received via this process will inform preparation of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

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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).