

# INFORMATIONAL SESSION FOR THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN COMMUNITY BSEE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE STRATEGY & ACTION PLAN



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# AGENDA

**Meeting Logistics**

**Director's Remarks**

**Pacific Region Overview**

**BSEE EJ Strategy & Action Plan**

**Discussion**



# WELCOME

DIRECTOR SLIGH OPENING REMARKS



# PACIFIC REGION OVERVIEW

## Regulatory Jurisdiction

- Conventional and renewable energy resources on the federal Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) seaward of California, Oregon, Washington, Hawai'i, and the Pacific U.S. Trust Territories

## Oil & Gas

- 23 platforms, 208 miles of pipeline (southern California)

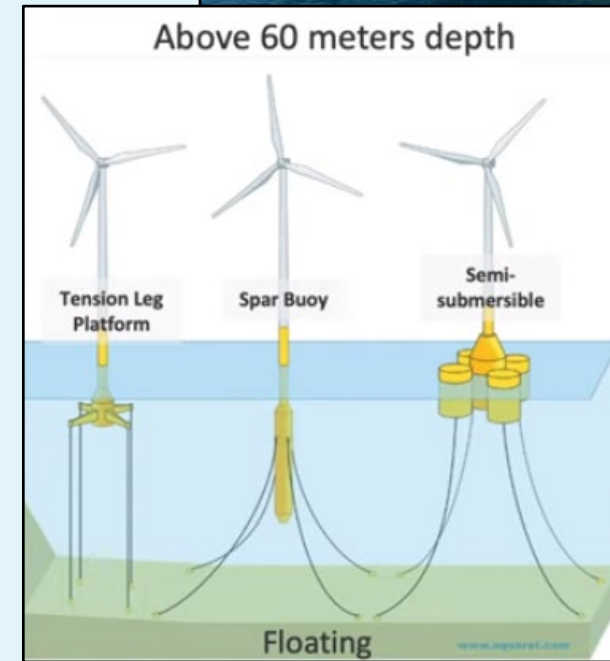
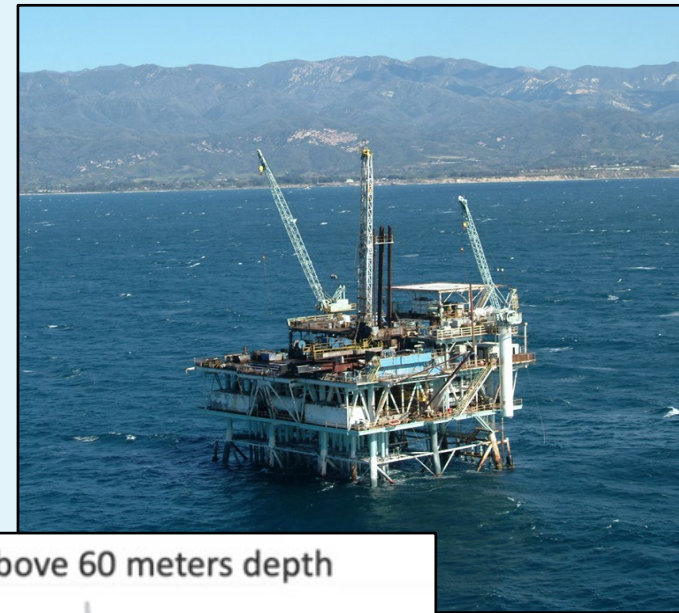
## Renewable Energy

- 5 wind energy commercial leases (California)

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# BSEE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE (EJ) STRATEGY & ACTION PLAN

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# BSEE EJ STRATEGY & ACTION PLAN

## Environmental Justice

The **just treatment and meaningful involvement of all people**, regardless of income, race, color, national origin, Tribal affiliation, or disability, **in agency decision-making and other Federal activities that affect human health and the environment** so that people:

- (i) are fully protected from disproportionate and adverse human health and environmental effects (including risks) and hazards, including those related to climate change, the cumulative impacts of environmental and other burdens, and the legacy of racism or other structural or systemic barriers; and
- (ii) have equitable access to a healthy, sustainable, and resilient environment in which to live, play, work, learn, grow, worship, and engage in cultural and subsistence practices.



# BSEE EJ STRATEGY & ACTION PLAN

**BSEE is in the process of developing an EJ strategy and action plan that integrates environmental justice considerations into bureau decision-making and other activities.**

The effort is guided by various executive orders, Department of the Interior (DOI) policy, and other related initiatives, including

- [Executive Order 12898](#) – Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations
- [Executive Order 13985](#) – Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government
- [Executive Order 14008](#) – Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad
- [Executive Order 14096](#) – Revitalizing Our Nation’s Commitment to Environmental Justice for All
- [2023 Ocean Climate Action Plan \(OCAP\)](#), Ocean Justice Strategy, and National Strategy for a Sustainable Ocean Economy
- [DOI 2022 – 2026 Strategic Plan](#) and previous DOI EJ strategic plans
- [DOI EJ Implementation Policy, 525 DM 1](#)
- [DOI EJ Strategic Plan](#)
- [BSEE 2023 -2026 Strategic Plan](#)







# BSEE EJ STRATEGY & ACTION PLAN

## Purpose

- To help BSEE integrate environmental justice into its policies and actions.

## Desired Outcomes

- Supports the DOI EJ Strategic Plan
- Integrates feedback from the Native Hawaiian Community
- Minimizes duplication and promotes consistency with the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management policies and actions
- Falls within BSEE legal authorities and responsibilities



# BSEE EJ STRATEGY & ACTION PLAN

## Proposed Goals

**Institutionalize  
Environmental Justice**

**Cultivate bureau environmental justice competency and incorporate environmental justice considerations into bureau actions.**

**Deliver Equity through  
Investments**

**Advance equitable access to federal procurement opportunities, resources, and other qualitative benefits.**

**Reduce Burdens and Harms**

**Enhance compliance and enforcement actions to reduce impacts on communities with environmental justice concerns.**

**Advance Meaningful  
Outreach and Engagement**

**Foster opportunities for communities to participate as informed partners in bureau actions that are important to their wellbeing.**



# FEEDBACK ON STRATEGIC GOAL 1

## **Institutionalizing Environmental Justice:**

Cultivate bureau environmental justice competency and incorporate environmental justice considerations into bureau actions.



# FEEDBACK ON STRATEGIC GOAL 2

## **Deliver Equity through Investments:**

Advance equitable access to federal procurement opportunities, resources, and other qualitative benefits.



# FEEDBACK ON STRATEGIC GOAL 3

**Reduce Burdens and Harms:** Enhance compliance and enforcement actions to reduce impacts on communities with environmental justice concerns.



# FEEDBACK ON STRATEGIC GOAL 4

**Advance Meaningful Outreach and Engagement:** Foster opportunities for communities to participate as informed partners in bureau actions that are important to their wellbeing.



# CLOSING COMMENTS

*Next Steps:*

- *Written comments requested by 11/17*
- *Comments will be accepted at any point going forward*
- *A draft BSEE EJ action plan will be provided for your review in early 2024*





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