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VINEYARD WIND

FISHERIES FAQs

Will fishing be allowed in the wind farm once construction is completed?

Yes.

Will there be safety exclusion zones during construction?

Yes. Temporary safety exclusion zones will be established only during construction following USCG guidance. Vineyard Wind will communicate with fishermen in advance of construction and throughout the construction process.

Will there be a system in place for fishermen to report lost and/or damaged gear?

Yes. Vineyard Wind has an established lost/damaged gear protocol. Report any incident as soon as possible to the Fishery Liaison.

What is the proposed spacing between the turbines?

Turbine spacing will be 1 nautical mile (nm) apart in fixed east-west rows and north-south columns throughout the MA/RI WEA if approved by permitting agencies.

How many turbines will be installed?

84 turbines are planned for Vineyard Wind 1. In December 2019, Vineyard Wind was selected to build a 2nd project, Park City Wind, and is in the early stages of permitting.

Does Vineyard Wind have equipment in the lease areas yet?

Yes. A lidar buoy is moored in the OCS-A-O501 lease area to collect meteorological and oceanographic data.

What long term research or monitoring will be done to study the potential impacts?

In spring of 2019 Vineyard Wind began extensive pre/post-construction studies to understand the effects of offshore wind on fisheries. UMass Dartmouth's School for Marine Science and Technology (SMAST) leads the fisheries trawl survey and drop camera survey. The ventless lobster trap, plankton and black sea bass survey is led jointly by SMAST and Massachusetts Lobstermen Association. Commercial fishing vessels are used to conduct the research and all data will be publicly available. Vineyard Wind has also partnered with the New England Aquarium to document highly migratory species presence across all lease areas with help from the pelagic recreational fleet.

What are Mariner Updates?

Vineyard Wind issues Offshore Wind Mariner Updates with information about survey vessel activity in the lease area. View our Mariner Updates online or sign up to receive them by email or text alert: vineyardwind.com/fisheries

Where can I find more information?

Visit vineyardwind.com/fisheries. Sign up for our Mariner Updates via email and text alerts. Contact our fisheries liaisons, Crista Bank and Caela Howard, to learn more.

Contact our Fisheries Liaisons for the latest information:
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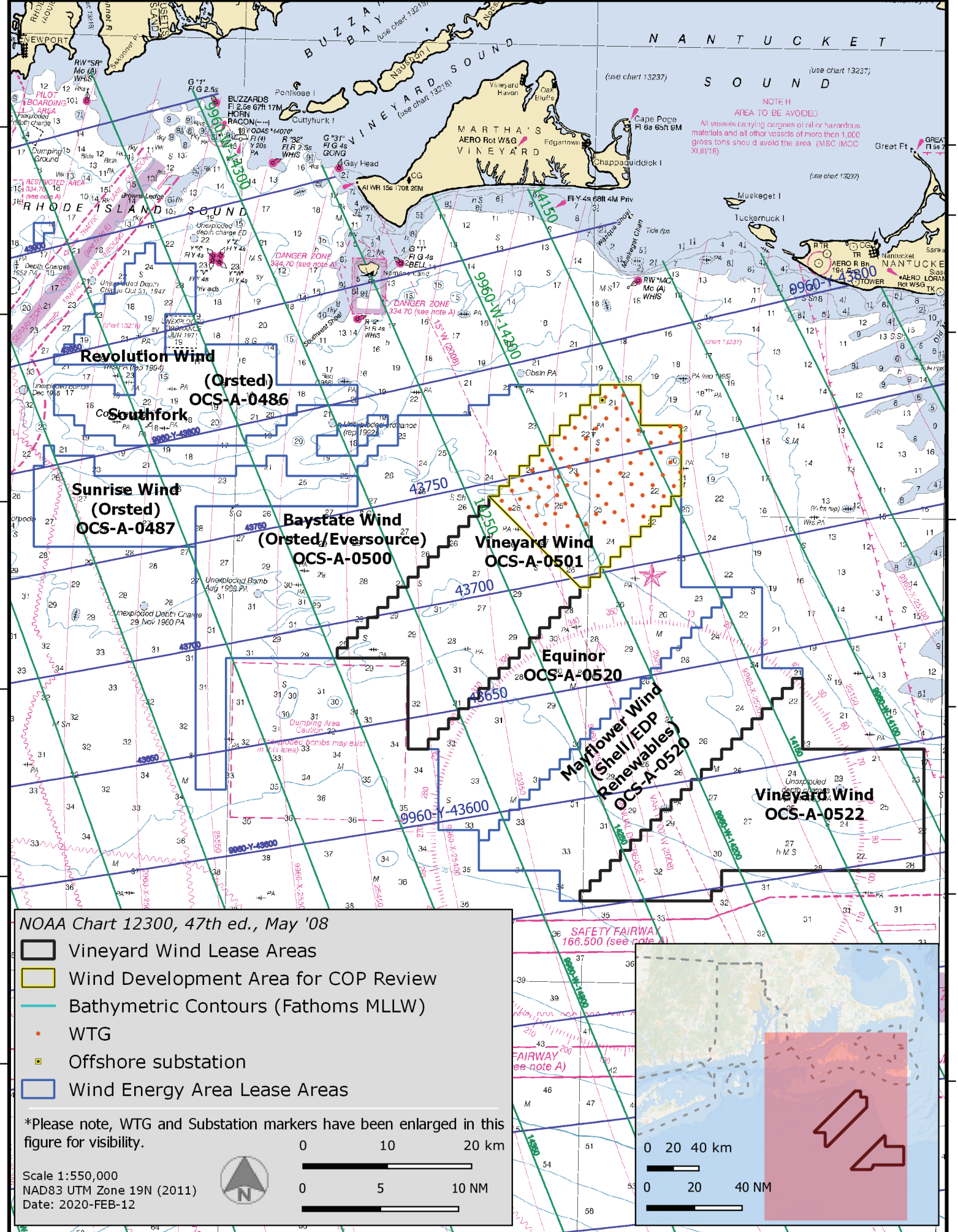
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71°12'W 71°00'W 70°48'W 70°36'W 70°24'W 70°12'W

41°24'N 41°12'N 41°00'N 40°48'N 40°36'N 40°24'N



NOAA Chart 12300, 47th ed., May '08

- Vineyard Wind Lease Areas
- Wind Development Area for COP Review
- Bathymetric Contours (Fathoms MLLW)
- WTG
- Offshore substation
- Wind Energy Area Lease Areas

*Please note, WTG and Substation markers have been enlarged in this figure for visibility.

Scale 1:550,000
NAD83 UTM Zone 19N (2011)
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0 5 10 NM

0 20 40 km

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