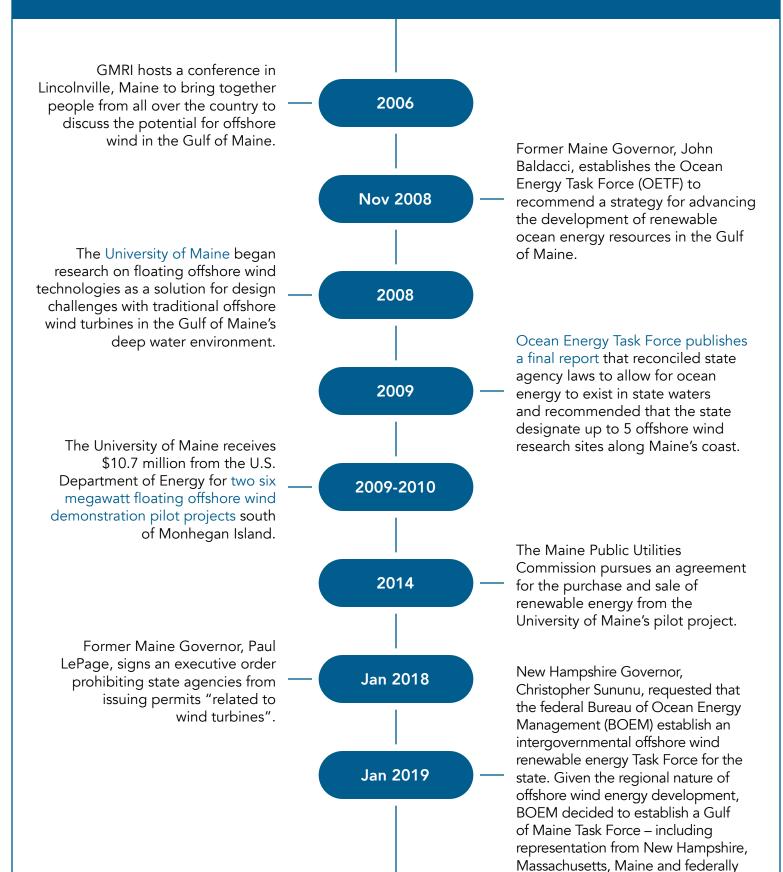
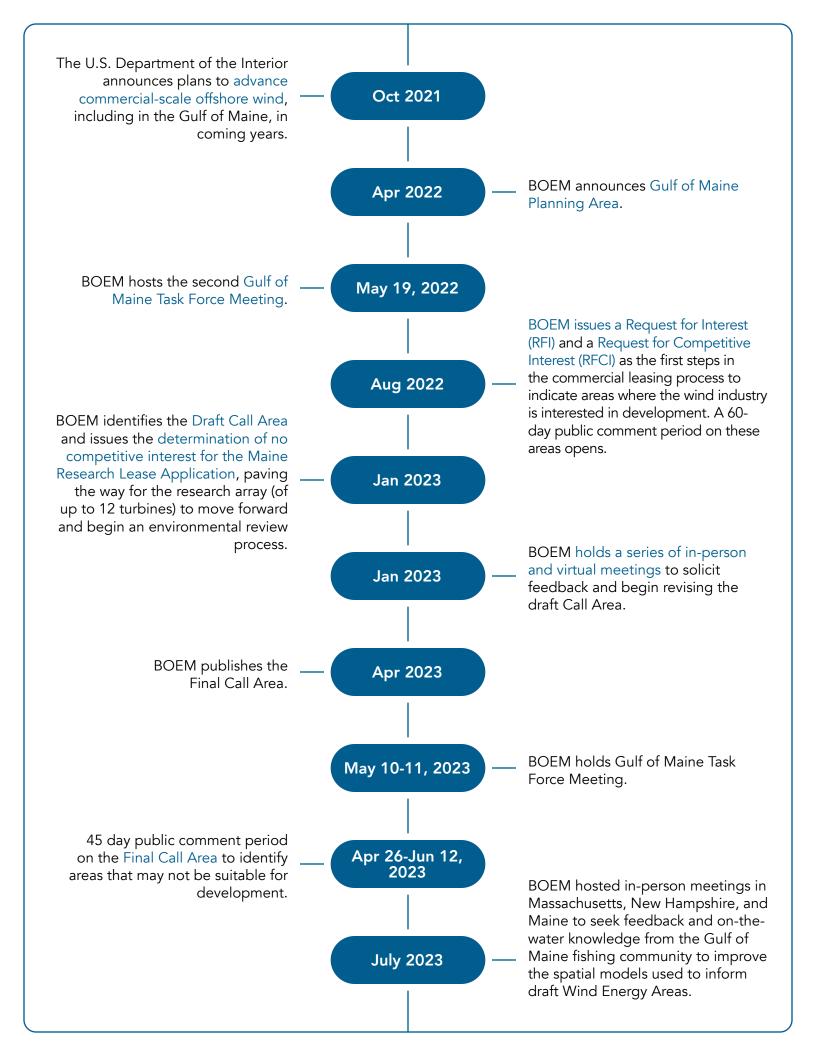
## Timeline of History of Offshore Wind in Maine

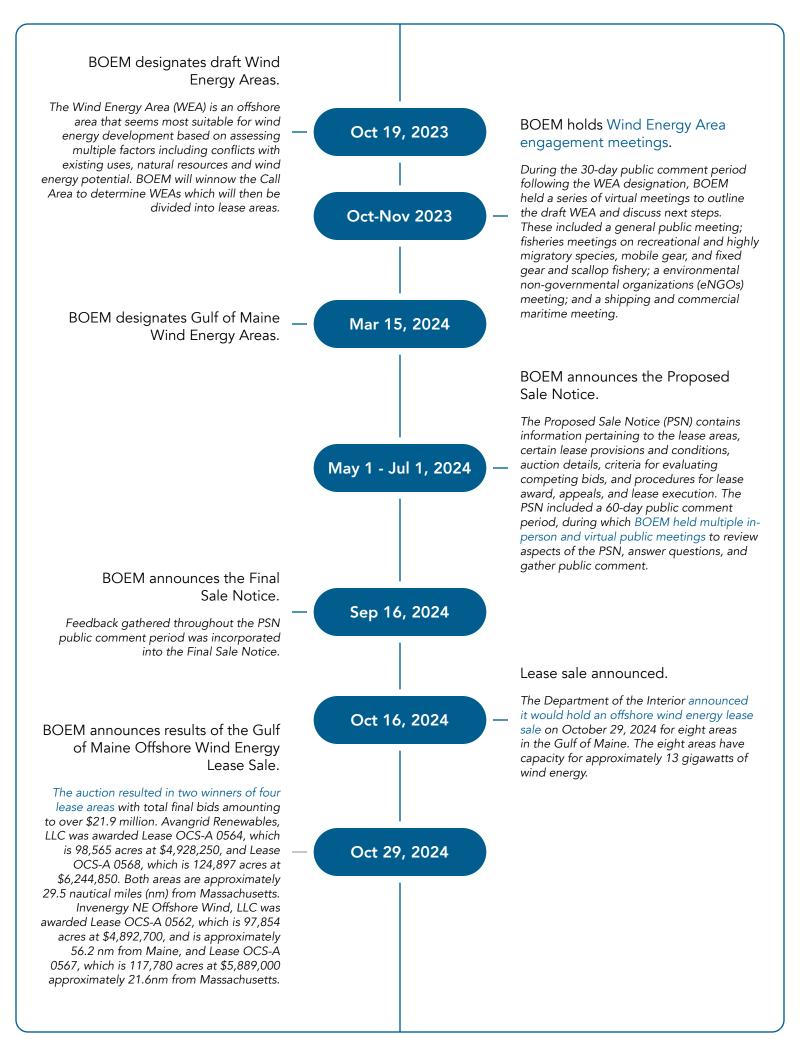


recognized Tribes in the area.









The White House issues a memorandum titled "Temporary Withdrawal of All Areas on the Outer Continental Shelf from Offshore Wind Leasing and Review of the Federal Government's Leasing and Permitting Practices for Wind Projects".

This withdrawal temporarily prevents consideration of any area in the Outer Continental Shelf for any new or renewed wind energy leasing for the purposes of generation of electricity or any other such use derived from the use of wind. The withdrawal does not apply to oil, gas, minerals, and environmental conservation.

## BOEM rescinds all designated Wind Energy Areas (WEAs) on the U.S. Outer Continental Shelf.

WEAs were originally established to identify offshore locations deemed most suitable for wind energy development. This does not rescind the four lease areas that have already been awarded in the Gulf of Maine, nor any other awarded lease areas on the Outer Continental Shelf. It also does not rescind the Maine Research Lease.

Jan 20, 2025

Apr 24, 2025

Avangrid submits a Fisheries Communication Plan (FCP).

A FCP is an outline of outreach and engagement strategies between offshore wind developers and fishery stakeholders who may be affected during the planning, construction, operation, or decommissioning of wind arrays. FCPs are required to be submitted to BOEM during the site assessment process. Invenergy is finalizing its FCP.

Aug 30, 2025

**FUTURE TIMELINE 2025-2030** 

## BOEM holds pre-survey meetings/planning for Site Assessment Plan.

Developers must submit a Site Assessment Plan (SAP) to BOEM to show how the developer will characterize and assess the lease site. The SAP must be approved by BOEM before assessment and survey work can occur.

## Construction and Operations Plans submitted.

Developers must submit a Construction and Operations Plan (COP) to BOEM that describes planned construction, operations, and conceptual decommissioning under the commercial lease, including the project easement. Developers conduct site assessment and survey work required by BOEM as part of the formal environmental impact assessment process.

Developers conduct site assessment and survey work to characterize the lease area.