

CALIFORNIA FISHERMEN'S RESILIENCY ASSOCIATION

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CFRA Board Report # 25 **February 6 - March 31, 2024** **April 4, 2024**

February 6 - The CFRA Phase 1 Deliverables Report was completed and sent to OPC. This document is now available for viewing on the CFRA Website. OSW Industry-to-Industry Agreement templates were sent to M. Fina and M. Conroy, members of the 7C Working Group, Subgroup # 2 which concerns fishing agreements

February 7 - CFRA staff, Linda Hildebrand and Ken Bates, meeting with Vineyard Offshore's team of E. Peckar, L. Nagy, C. Bank, and L. Ordonez, discussed VO's Communications Plans as they pertain to the Humboldt OSW project.

February 7 - Additional CFRA correspondence -

- a. Letters to OSW developers requesting the removal of, rather than the abandonment of Metocean buoy anchoring systems from fishing grounds. (Example of those documents are here: https://www.californiafishermensresiliencyassociation.com/files/ugd/1298ad_d3b05d80c58f49efa186abb110ddc6c8.pdf)
- b. Forwarding the link for the fishermen's North Coast Mapping Project (linked here: https://www.californiafishermensresiliencyassociation.com/files/ugd/1298ad_fda327eb774344749fc27c09a2a78729.pdf) to C. Banks (FLO of Vineyard Wind) for use in their upcoming OSW project.
- c. Letter to US Senator Whitehouse containing comments on the proposed "Collaborative Act" for OSW projects nationwide
- d. email to M. Conroy and L. Nagy of the 7C Working Group listing components of Industry-to-Industry Agreement contracts as per OPC contract deliverables.

February 12 - The CFRA received a response from the State Lands Commission to a letter that the CFRA sent to the State Lands Commission (SLC) on December 27, 2023 requesting clarification of the SLC's ability to enforce permit conditions for permitted site survey work in California waters. Specifically, the CFRA asked if the SLC had the legal authority and physical ability to board site survey vessels "at sea", terminate vessel survey trips, impound site survey vessels and fine the operators of those vessels for violations of SLC permit conditions and interference with legally protected and prioritized commercial fishing operations in state waters.

February 22 - CFRA member association representatives attended the 7C Fishermen's Working Group meeting. Presentations on site survey work were provided by the North coast and central coast OSW developers.

Dr. Popper was invited to discuss potential effects on sea life from the type of survey equipment that OSW developers would be using for site survey work.

February 27 - CFRA staff and board members met with RWE for a site survey presentation to local fishermen, introduction to RWE's fisheries liaison and engineers and a discussion of employment opportunities for fishermen as observers on the site survey ships.

February 29 - 7C WG Meeting - Part 2. Presentation by CFRA on Industry-to-Industry Agreement Templates. These state-funded templates are OPC deliverables and documents accessible to the public on the CFRA Website.

February 29 - CFRA approved a contract with the website company, Illuminate Marketing and put down a deposit of \$2000. The CFRA plans to upgrade the website to provide for better searchability, organization and ADA compliance.

March 1 - CFRA staff accepted an invitation to view AXYS Buoy before deployment and discussed retrieval and removal of all anchoring components from the fishing grounds at the end of the project with AXYS staff.

March 2 - CFRA presentation at community meeting in Crescent City. This was a community forum on offshore wind projects on the California Coast. Ken delivered the fishermen's perspective on these projects.

March 11 - Honoraria checks were issued to qualified participants of the February 22 and 29th 7CWG meetings. \$2015 was paid out to 8 participants of the 2/22 meeting and \$2485 was paid out to 9 participants of the 2/29 meeting.

March 15 - CFRA did a 30-minute interview with James Falk on KEET-TV, concerning offshore wind and impacts to California's fishing communities. Watch it here:

<https://www.pbs.org/video/headline-humboldt-march-15th-2023-tkxqg/>

March 19 - CFRA staff met with Illuminate Marketing staff to discuss website communication plans, a brand style-guide and guidelines for ADA compliance

March 20, 2024 - CFRA attended the CEC sponsored webinar on AB525

March 20 - CFRA staff posted comments on AB525 to CEC Docket (available on website here:

https://www.californiafishermensresiliencyassociation.com/files/ugd/1298ad_2d23424ff3fe4606a8d256593e88bfcc.pdf)

March 21 - Submitted a draft of our OPC application for Phase 2 funding

March 29 - CFRA staff attended AB 525 CEC sponsored webinar