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# Offshore Wind Energy Roadmap Status Update

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# Oregon Offshore Wind Energy Roadmap

## PUBLIC REVIEW DRAFT

February 2026



# Roadmap Progress since October

- Tribal consultations (2 Tribes responded)
- Roundtable Draft #1 (September) - ~600 comments
- Roundtable Draft #2 (November) - ~400 comments
- Public Draft #3 undergoing internal review
- Public process plan underway
  - Public comment period February 10 – March 27 (tentative)
  - Public meeting planning (2 virtual meetings and 5 in person)
  - Hatfield Futures Youth Engagement
  - Setting up public comment portal and input survey



Achieve energy and climate objectives



Support coastal communities

Protect the environment and species



Support and sustain economic opportunity

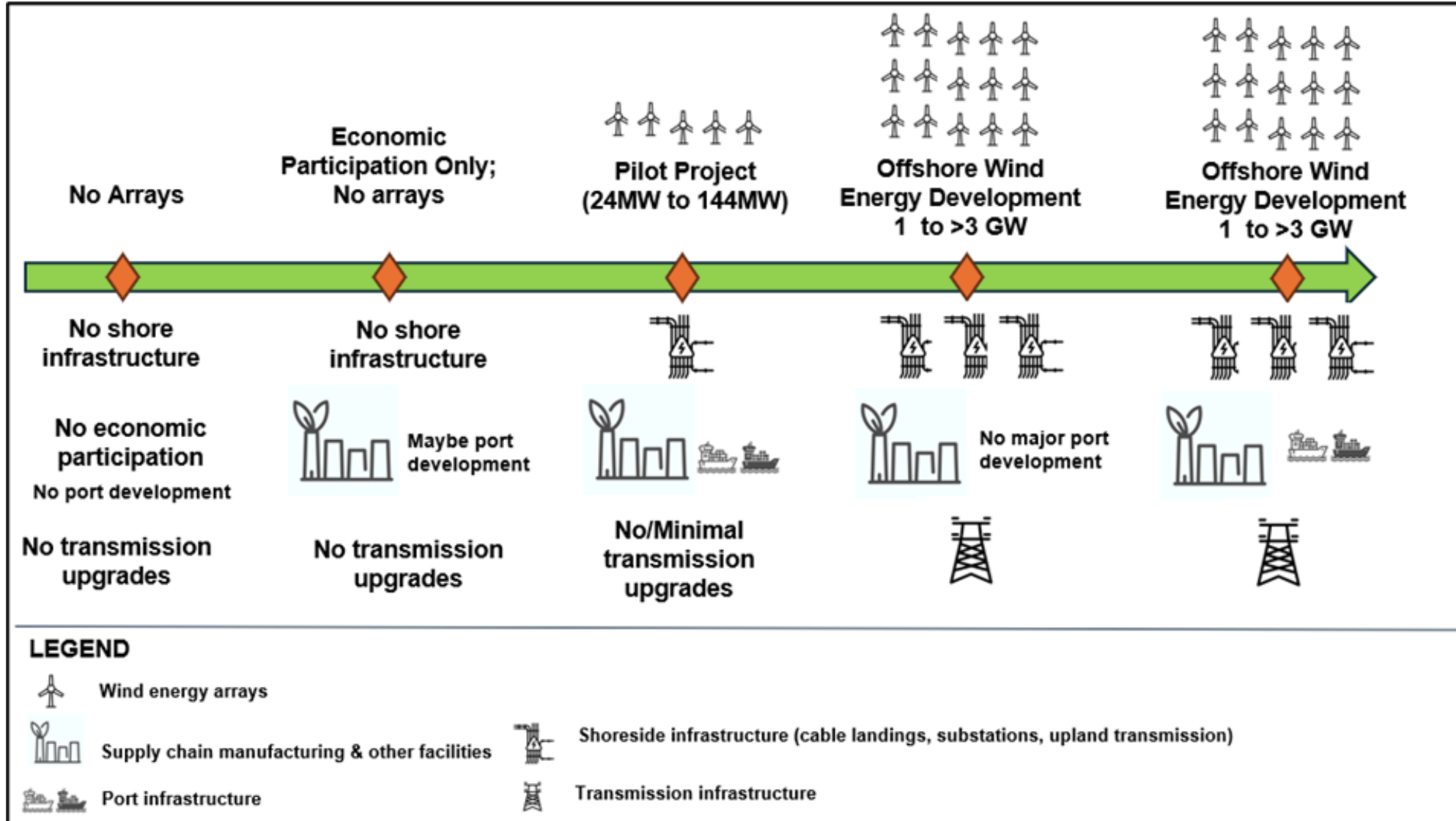
Protect cultural resources



Position an offshore wind workforce



# Alternative Futures Considered in the Roadmap



# Key Messages for Policymakers (Draft)

1. As a top priority, Oregon should initiate state or local rulemaking in the near term to address policy gaps identified in the Roadmap. This is an efficient action that will put the state in a much stronger position to influence the future of offshore wind energy development.
2. Before Oregon is ready to advance offshore wind energy, more needs to be known about the effects of development on ecosystems and to communities of place and practice on the coast, given important community, Tribal, ecosystem, and fishery values. Oregon should develop an offshore wind energy research agenda to secure reliable and trustworthy data to inform future energy development.
3. To build consensus and trust around the science related to offshore wind energy development's effects on ecosystems and communities, Oregon should establish an offshore wind energy science collaborative that involves a broad spectrum of interests and potentially affected communities. Oregon should also participate in the West Coast Science Collaborative, currently being established by California, to share lessons learned and look for opportunities to coordinate research regionally.
4. Oregon should consider leading its own marine and coastal spatial planning process to identify what, if any, areas offshore are suitable for offshore wind energy development, as well as their compatibility with state policies and interests.
5. Oregon should explore policies and investments that support regional energy markets, state-led power procurement, and grid improvements to increase coastal resilience and meet state energy objectives. This would have the co-benefit of preparing for the potential of future offshore wind energy development.



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6. Oregon will need to increase capacity and expertise within state agencies, local governments, and Tribal governments to be ready for offshore wind energy development.
7. Tribal consultation should be integrated into research and analysis from the beginning, not added after the fact. Tribal data sovereignty is an important safeguard to maintain.
8. Many communities of place or practice may be affected by offshore wind energy development, including cities, counties, Tribes, fisheries, labor groups, environmental justice communities, and others. Communities need a formal, ongoing, well-resourced, and enforceable way to participate in offshore wind energy processes, with their interests addressed through community agreements.
9. Exploring and supporting economic opportunities related to supplying materials and services for offshore wind energy development could have benefits, regardless of whether Oregon hosts offshore wind turbines in the future. The state should collaborate with its West Coast neighbors on floating offshore wind energy supply chain opportunities and research related to siting, planning, and cumulative impacts.
10. Oregon should continue to evaluate all renewable energy options, including a thorough cost-benefit analysis to determine whether and when different levels of investment in offshore wind energy are prudent.



# Roadmap Schedule Spring 2026

Tribal Consultation

Roundtable Meetings

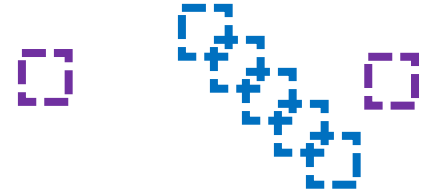
April 20

May 27

June 23

Public Engagement Events

Public Review (45 days)



Submit Roadmap to Legislature



Jan

Feb

Mar

April

May

June

Mid-2026

# Public Meeting Planning

Dates (Tentative)	Activity
February 10	Roadmap public review draft release
February 25	Virtual Public Meeting
Week of March 2	Public Meeting: Newport
Week of March 9	Public Meetings: Coos Bay, Reedsport, Brookings
Week of March 15	Public Meeting: Astoria Virtual Public Meeting
March 27	Public comment period ends



# Youth Voices on the Future of Wind

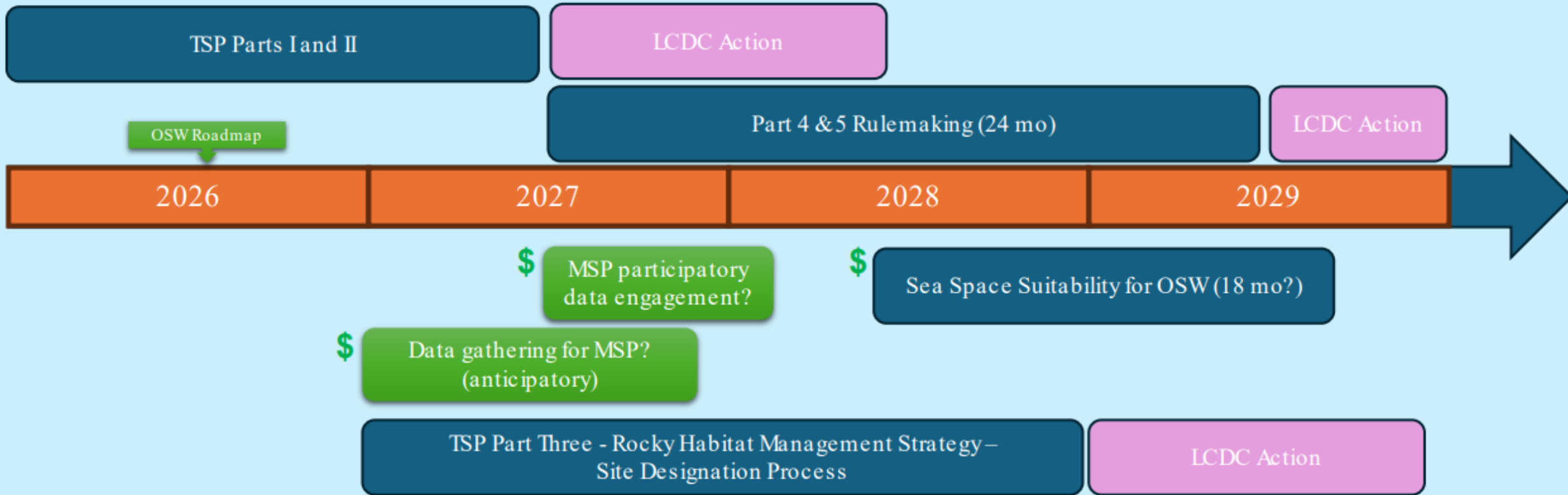
- Youth Voices on the Future of Wind invites teams of high school students to envision Oregon's future with or without floating offshore wind energy, and generate proposals to address important social, environmental, and economic issues for a future A) with wind turbines and B) without wind turbines.
- During February and March 2026, teams will collaborate to craft their vision and proposals.
- The Project will provide each team an adult guide to help teams craft proposals.
- Each team will receive a \$500 stipend for participating, and judges will select two teams to present their proposals in person at the Offshore Wind Energy Roadmap Roundtable meeting on April 20, 2026.
- Applications close February 6<sup>th</sup>.



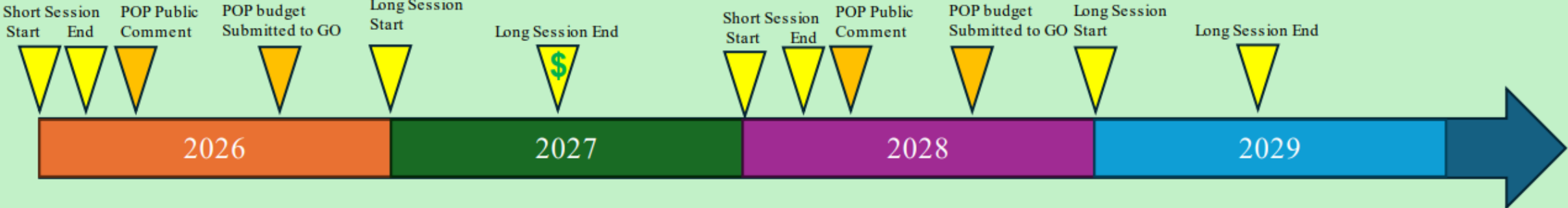
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## 5-year Timelines and Tasks Overview

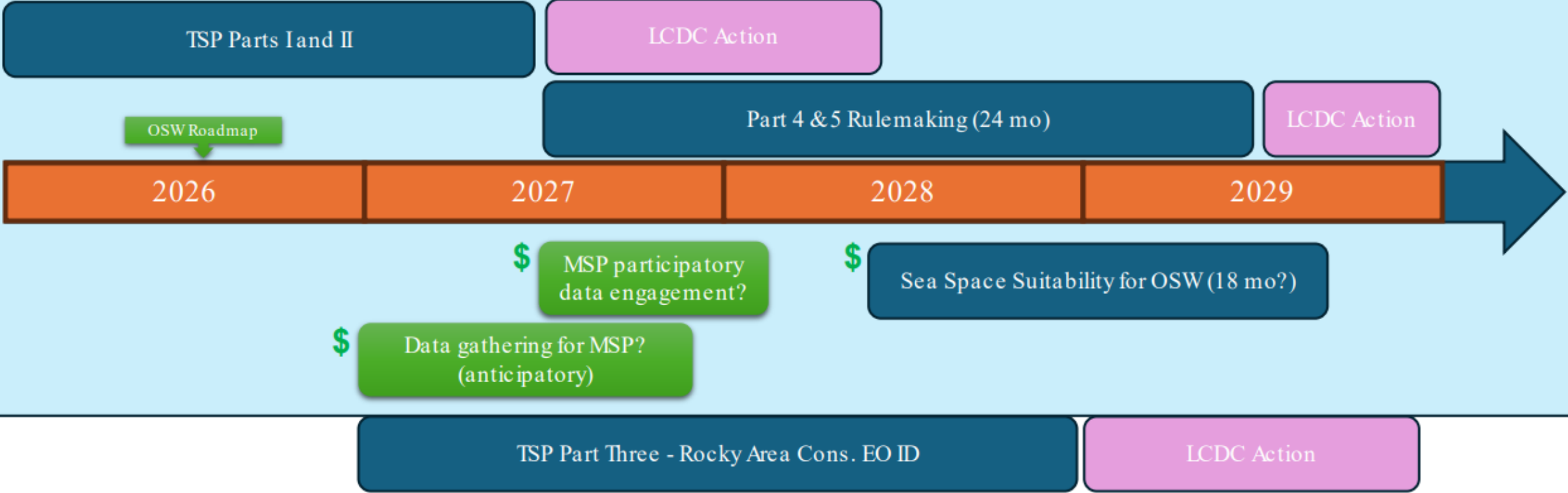
OPAC staff recommended timelines for TSP Rulemaking



### Legislative and Budget Planning Timelines





### OPAC Territorial Sea Plan Amendment Timelines




# Questions?



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