



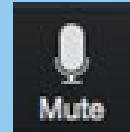
Oregon Ocean Policy Advisory Council Meeting

January 29, 2026

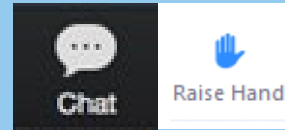
Welcome and Zoom Meeting Guidelines

Zoom Participant Meeting Expectations and Procedures

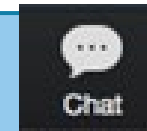
Muting : OPAC Members - Please keep muted unless speaking.



OPAC Members: Please use chat and/or raise your hand to indicate you would like to speak



Public Comment: Attendees - please indicate through chat that you'd like to provide public testimony



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OPAC Members

Voting Council Members

Member Name	Seat
Susan Chambers - <i>Chair</i>	Commercial Ocean, - South Coast, Brookings
Tara Brock – <i>Vice-Chair</i>	Coastal Conservation or Environmental Organization
Kyle Motley	Coastal; Public At Large
Nick Edwards	Ports, Marine Transportation or Navigation
Margaret Corvi	Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians
Richard Heap	Charter, Sport Fishing, Recreation ocean - S. Coast, Brookings
<i>Vacant</i>	Charter, Sport Fishing, Recreation ocean, N. Coast
Duncan Berry	Statewide Coastal; Public At Large
Joe Liebezeit	Statewide Conservation/Environmental Organization
<i>Vacant</i>	Coos, Curry, Douglas & Lane Counties Representative
Amelia O’Connor	Non-consumptive Recreation
Mark Kujala	Tillamook, Lincoln & Clatsop Counties Representative
Fran Recht	Elected City Official
<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Commercial Ocean - North Coast, Astoria</i>

Member Introductions

Ex Officio Council Members

Member Name	Seat
Ray Monroe	Coastwide Organization representing small ports and local governments
Lisa Sumption (Laurel Hillmann)	Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
Justin Ainsworth	Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
Karina Nielsen	Oregon State University Sea Grant Director
Rian Vanden Hooff	Department of Environmental Quality
Nataliya Stranadko	Department of State Lands
Chandra Ferrari	Gov's Office Advisor
Jon Allan	Department of Geology and Mineral Industries
Alexis Taylor (Alex Manderson)	Department of Agriculture.
Lisa Phipps	Department of Land Conservation and Development
Steve Shipsey	Department of Justice
Kris Wall	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Revisions or comments on the October 29, 2025 Draft Meeting Summary

ANY REVISIONS?

Oregon Ocean Policy Advisory Council
Draft Meeting Summary – October 29, 2025
Virtual Meeting

Meeting Agenda Link

View the meeting agenda here: <https://oregonocean.info/index.php/resources-tools/other-resources/ooi-documents/ocean-policy-advisory-council/opac-meeting-documents/308-opac-draft-meeting-agenda-oct-29-2025>

Issues Decided/Positions Taken

OPAC approved the following consensus motions:

- The May 7, 2025 Draft Meeting Summary was approved by consensus
- The Ocean Policy Advisory Council (OPAC) was directed to have its executive committee reach out to the governor's office to discuss the lack of consistent representation at OPAC meetings. The intended purpose of the communication was to express the council's frustration with the inconsistent attendance from the governor's staff and to explore the possibility of having an alternate representative attend the meetings.
- The Ocean Policy Advisory Council (OPAC) tasks the Executive Committee to respectfully ask the Governor to sign on to a letter, either jointly with other west coast governors, and or write a letter independently opposing any lease areas for offshore oil and gas extraction off the west coast, particularly off of Oregon. Offshore oil and gas development off the Oregon coast is inconsistent with state of Oregon ocean resource management policies.
 - The OPAC Executive Committee issued a letter to the Governor on November 14, 2025. It is included as addendum 1 to this meeting summary.

OPAC Members Attendance

Members Present (voting): Susan Chambers (South Coast Commercial Fisheries; Chair); Margaret Corvi (Oregon Coast Indian Tribes); Nick Edwards (Ports, Marine Transportation and Navigation); Mark Kujala (North Coast County Commissioner); Kyle Motley (Coastal Public At-Large); Richard Heap (South Coast Charter, Sport or Recreational Fisheries); Joe Liebezeit (Statewide Conservation or Environmental Organization); Amelia O'Connor (Coastal Non-Fishing Recreation); Fran Recht (Elected City Official)

Members Absent: Tara Brock (Coastal Conservation Organization; Vice-Chair); Duncan Berry (Public At-Large);

Members Present (ex officio): Justin Ainsworth (Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife); Laurel Hillmann (OPRD); Rian Hooff (Department of Environmental Quality); Karina Nielsen (Oregon Sea Grant); Ray Monroe (Coastwide Organization representing small ports and local governments); Nataliya Stranadko (Department of State Lands);



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Executive Committee Action

Appointments to happen in April

The OPAC Executive Committee is defined in the [Operating Procedures](#) as the Chair, Vice Chair, STAC Chair, Governor's Office Representative and an At-Large Voting OPAC Member.

These Executive Committee is currently represented by the following individuals:

- Chair: Susan Chambers (appointment term has expired)
- Vice-Chair: Tara Brock (has asked to step down from the Committee)
- Governor's Office: Chandra Ferrari
- STAC Chair: Karina Nielsen
- At-Large: Joe Liebezeit and Amelia O'Connor

The Executive Committee meets between OPAC meetings to develop agendas for the larger group, and to address other administrative issues as needed.

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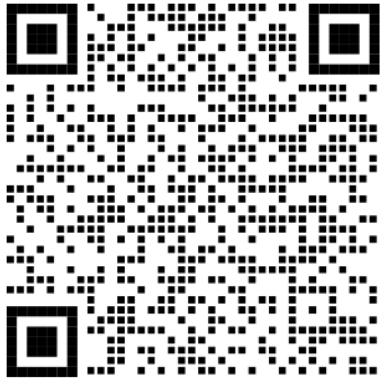
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Oregon Offshore Wind Energy Roadmap Update and Discussion

Jeff Burrigh, DLCD Offshore Wind Roadmap Coordinator

Built through broad engagement from November 2024 to June 2026, the Roadmap is a comprehensive guide for Oregon to responsibly evaluate, plan, and manage potential offshore wind energy development while addressing the needs, concerns, and interests of the many people and communities who could be affected. It outlines the opportunities, challenges, and alternatives to offshore wind energy with a thoughtful, inclusive, and adaptable approach to evolving industry and policy conditions.



Offshore Wind
Roadmap Draft #2

Current Roadmap Status

- Roundtable Draft #1 (September) - ~600 comments reviewed
- [Roundtable Draft #2](#) (November) - ~400 comments reviewed
 - Draft #3 (Public Review Draft) undergoing internal review
 - Tribal consultations (2 Tribes responded so far)



Offshore Wind
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Afternoon
Break

Reconvene at:
2:35 pm

OPAC Scientific and Technical Advisory Offshore Wind Research Committee Report

Karina Nielsen (STAC Chair) will update the Council on the status of the offshore wind energy research report. A guest speaker panel of STAC Members will contribute to the update.



Ocean Policy Advisory Council Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee
Identifying and Prioritizing Offshore Wind Knowledge Gaps for Oregon

Prepared For: Oregon Ocean Policy Advisory Council (OPAC)

Submitted By: OPAC Scientific and Technical Committee (STAC)

STAC Members:

Karina J. Nielsen, Ph.D., Oregon State University, Oregon Sea Grant, Integrative Biology (Chair)
Veronica Dujon, Ph.D., Oregon Higher Education Coordination Commission
Kelsey Emard, Ph.D., Oregon State University, College of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences
Elise Granek, Ph.D., Portland State University, Environmental Science and Resources
Selina Heppell Ph.D., Oregon State University, Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Sciences
Jan Hodder, Ph.D., University of Oregon, Oregon Institute of Marine Biology (Retired)
William Jaeger, Ph.D., Oregon State University, Department of Applied Economics
David M. Kling, Ph.D., Oregon State University, Department of Applied Economics
James Lerczak, Ph.D., Oregon State University, College of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences
Jenna Tilt, Ph.D., Oregon State University, College of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences
J. Wilson White, Ph.D., Oregon State University, Coastal Oregon Marine Experiment Station

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Bryson Robertson, Ph.D., P.Eng., University of Victoria, Institute of Integrated Energy Systems

DRAFT Date: January 29, 2026

Suggested Citation: OPAC STAC (2026) Identifying and prioritizing offshore wind knowledge gaps for Oregon, Ocean Policy Advisory Council. [URL]

Cover image: 9.5 MW floating wind turbine being towed by Kincardine Offshore Wind project off coast of Aberdeen, Scotland. Photo courtesy of Principle Power.

OPAC Deliberation and Recommendations

OPAC Chair and Council Members will discuss any Council recommendations or Comments regarding the Offshore Wind Energy Roadmap or Research Agenda.



Public Comment

Please indicate in the chat if you'd like to provide public testimony
Please limit testimony to 3 minutes.

Recap, Meeting Scheduling, and Wrap-Up

OPAC Chair and Vice-Chair will lead a discussion about the next OPAC meeting, action items, and any other follow-up.

April 2026 Meeting Date Confirmation: April 21 or April 23?

	★ APR 21 TUE All Day	☆ APR 22 WED All Day	☆ APR 23 THU All Day
Participants	20	17	20
Andy Lanier You	✓	✓	✓
Chandre Ferran	✗	✓	✓
Justin Ainsworth	✓	✓	✓
Cynthia Smidt	✓	✗	✓
Laurel Hillmann	✓	✓	✓
Lisa Phipps	✓	✗	✓
Amanda Macnab	✓	✗	✓
Karina Nielsen	✓	✓	✓
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Fran Recht	✓	✓	✓
Amanda Macnab	✓	✗	✓
Steve Shipsey	✓	✓	✗
Rian Hooff (DEG)	✓	✗	✓
Kyle Motley	✗	✓	✓
Ray Monroe	✓	✓	✓
Duncan Berry	✓	✓	✗
Susan Chambers	✓	✓	✓
Richard T Heep	✓	✓	✓
Amelia Oconnor	✓	✓	✓
Margaret	✓	✓	✓
Natalya Stranadko	✓	✓	✓



Meeting Adjourned – Thank you!