

**BOEM Pacific Region Meeting of the National Academies Committee on Offshore Science and Assessment (COSA)**

**Overarching Objectives**

- 1) Familiarize COSA with BOEM's Pacific Regional Office, priorities and operations.
- 2) Conduct focus groups with the Pacific Regional staff to better understand their perspectives on the development and application of science for those programs.

**All presentations will be pre-recorded and viewed prior to the meeting, such that the agenda topics can focus on topical Q&A and discussion.**

**June 1, 2021 – Day 1**

**Meeting Location:** Virtual Meeting

**Time Zone:** All times listed are in Eastern Standard Time

**OPEN SESSION**

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| 12:00 PM | <b>Welcome</b>                                                                                                 |                                                                                |
|          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Welcome and Introductions</li> <li>- Review Meeting Agenda</li> </ul> | <p>Michael Orbach, Committee Chair<br/>Lexa Skrivaneck, National Academies</p> |
| 12:20 PM | <b>Updates from the BOEM Chief Environmental Officer</b>                                                       | William Brown, BOEM Chief Environmental Officer                                |
| 12:45 PM | <b>Updates from the BOEM Director</b>                                                                          | Amanda Lefton, BOEM Director                                                   |

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*Other BOEM Pacific Region personnel – beyond those listed on the agenda below - are anticipated to contribute to all discussions.*

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| 1:00 PM | <b>Pacific Region Welcome</b>                                  | Thomas Liu, Acting Director, BOEM Pacific Region |
| 1:15 PM | <b>Pacific Region Activities Overview</b>                      | Thomas Liu, Doug Boren, Rick Yarde               |
| 1:45 PM | <i>Break</i>                                                   |                                                  |
| 2:00 PM | <b>Pacific Region Activities Overview Discussion Continued</b> |                                                  |

2:30 PM	<b>Offshore Wind Planning and Engagement Activities</b>	Whitney Hauer John Romero, Jean Thurston, Whitney Hauer, Parker McWilliams, Donna Schroeder
3:00 PM	<i>Break</i>	
3:15 PM	<b>Regional Environmental Studies Strategy and Process</b>	Cathie Dunkel, Jeremy Potter
4:00 PM	<b>Discussion of Tomorrow's Format/Objectives and Brief Closing Remarks for Day 1</b>	Michael Orbach, Committee Chair
4:30 PM	<i>Adjourn Open Session</i>	

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**June 2, 2021 – Day 2**

**Meeting Location:** Virtual Meeting

**Time Zone:** All times listed are in Eastern Standard Time

**CLOSED SESSION** (Committee and Staff Only)

**OPEN SESSION**

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12:00 PM	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	Michael Orbach, Committee Chair
12:15 PM	<b>Focus Groups on Topics: First Session</b>	All participants

**Topics:**

**I) Discovering and Producing Science:**

- A) How are new scientific projects and programs developed and prioritized in your region, and how do you engage with other external (to BOEM) stakeholders in this process?
- B) How do you engage with other BOEM regions and Headquarters in the development, prioritization, and execution of your science?
- C) How is technical, and in particular outside, peer-review used with proposals and products?
- D) How would you improve the scientific discovery and production process?

**II) Incorporating Science into Assessment:**

A) How are data and information managed and stored? In particular, how are data and standardization handled nationally and between regions? How is qualitative data managed?

B) How are ecosystem and socioeconomic effects, including cumulative effects, and risks associated with development evaluated and incorporated into assessments? How are future scenarios developed and analyzed?

C) Do you make use of specific tools such as meta-analysis in your assessments?

D) How could the process of incorporating science into assessments be improved?

1:30 PM	<i>Break</i>	
1:45 PM	<b>Focus Groups on Topics: Second Session</b>	All participants
3:00 PM	<b>Summary and Discussion of Breakout Groups</b>	All participants
3:30 PM	<b>Closing remarks</b>	Michael Orbach, Committee Chair
4:00 PM	<i>Adjourn Open Session</i>	

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