

# Committee on Offshore Science and Assessment

August 27, 2021  
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM EST

Virtual Meeting  
All times listed are in Eastern Standard Time

## Overarching Objective

COSA members will provide thoughts and suggestions gathered from 2019-2021 meetings with BOEM regional offices (Gulf, Alaska, OREP, and Pacific) on four primary topics:

1. The Role of External Peer Review in the BOEM Science Development and Prioritization Process
2. Looking Ahead to Changing Conditions and Challenges in Offshore Energy, Minerals and Related Topics Including Relationships with Other Agencies
3. Personnel Levels and the Match of Staff Expertise to Particular Job Tasks, in Particular the Production of Science vs. Assessment and Management, and Empowering Staff to Explore New and Innovative Approaches to their Work.
4. Increased Attention to and Involvement with Constituencies and Communities

## Friday, August 27

<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>COSA Opening Remarks and Introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Meeting Overview</li><li>- Committee Member Introductions</li></ul>	<i>Michael Orbach, Committee Chair Lexa Skrivanek, National Academies</i>
<b>1:10 PM</b>	<b>Committee Remarks on Organizational Topics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Presentation of thoughts and suggestions on 4 organizational topics (5 minutes per Committee Member)</li></ul>	<i>All COSA Members</i>
<b>2:10 PM</b>	<b>Discussion of COSA Comments on Organizational Topics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Q&amp;A session for BOEM staff to discuss thoughts and suggestions presented during the previous session</li></ul>	<i>COSA Members and BOEM Staff</i>
<b>2:55 PM</b>	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	<i>Michael Orbach, Committee Chair</i>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>	