

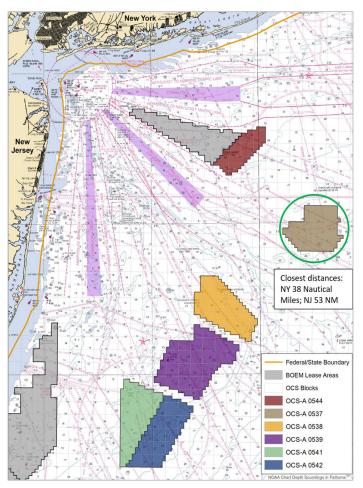
SURVEY WORK

Multiple vessels will conduct geophysical surveys in the Bluepoint Wind Lease Area (OCS-A 0537) starting in March 2023. Vessels will be in the Bluepoint Wind Lease Area for reconnaissance activities starting on March 8, 2023 but will not start the geophysical survey until mid-month. These activities will continue through much of 2023 and include activities in areas under consideration for offshore export cable routes.

A geotechnical survey campaign will also be coordinated with the geophysical activities in the Summer of 2023. Bluepoint Wind will provide an update for geotechnical survey activities in advance of their start.

Geophysical surveys will be used to characterize the seafloor and sub-bottom features using acoustic and magnetic technologies that use sound to map the seabed, sub-seabed, and magnetic anomalies. The collection of this information will assist Bluepoint Wind in understanding seabed topography, submerged obstructions, seabed and subsurface materials classifications (e.g., texture), and the locations of potential historic or archaeological resources.

- Survey activities will be conducted in accordance with federal and state regulations and health & safety policies and procedures.
- Survey activities and locations will be posted to the Local Notices to Mariners in U.S. Coast Guard Districts 1 and 5.
- Vessels will have Protected Species Observers (PSOs) on-board during geophysical surveys to identify protected species' presence and provide measures for the protection of marine wildlife.
- Survey vessels will conduct work activities in accordance with the need to respectfully coexist with fishermen and fisheries vessels, gear, and personnel.



BOEM Map of Bluepoint Wind Lease (OSC-A 0537)

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