

Item 10: Advancing Environmental Monitoring Technologies for Floating Offshore Wind – GFO-22-401

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Benefit to Californians

Improve feasibility and sustainability of floating offshore wind in California by:

- Addressing how to monitor environmental impacts.
- Improving durability to withstand California ocean conditions.
- Advancing capability to manage large datasets.
- Reducing costs for permitting and monitoring.



Solicitation Overview

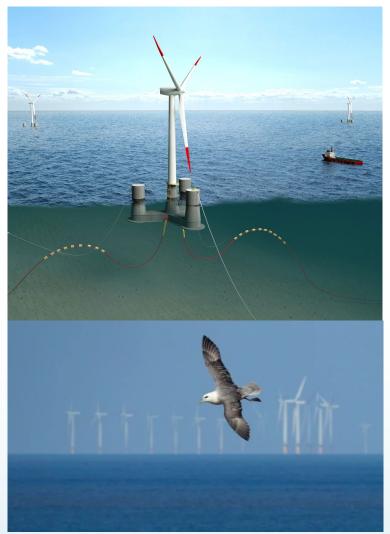


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Three proposed awards for advancing environmental monitoring technologies for floating offshore wind totaling \$8,900,868.

- Integrate multiple technologies
- Suitable for California ocean conditions

Validate in laboratory environment



EPC-23-001: Integral Consulting Inc.



Integrated, Real-Time, Multi-Scale System for Monitoring Seabird Interactions with Floating Offshore Wind Technologies

- Integrate:
 - 1. Radar
 - 2. 3D thermal imaging
 - Blade-mounted vibration sensor

 Artificial intelligence data management.

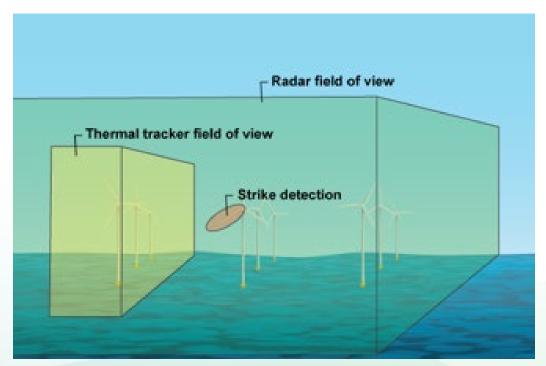


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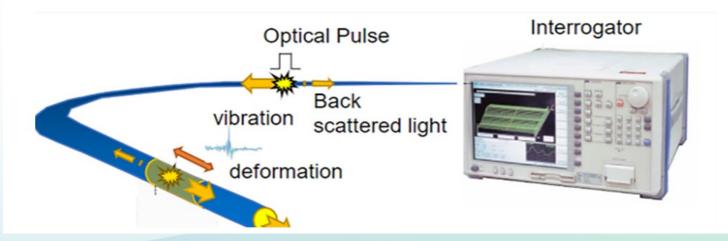


EPC-23-002: Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory



Integrated Monitoring of Cetacean and Ocean Environmental Impacts from Floating Offshore Wind Development on the Pacific Coast

- Integrate fiber optic sensing technologies and hydrophones.
- Monitor marine mammal presence, entanglement risk, and ocean environmental conditions.

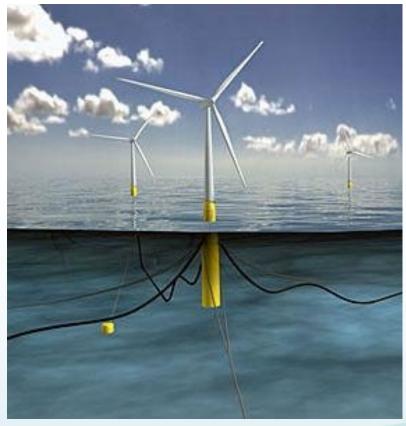




EPC-23-006: Humboldt State University Sponsored Programs Foundation



Integrated Monitoring Approach to Reduce Entanglement Hazards for Floating Offshore Wind Developments



- Simulate mooring line response to marine mammal collisions and secondary entanglement.
- Integrate sensor package and remotely operated vehicle.

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Staff Recommendation

- Adopt staff's determination that action is exempt from CEQA.
- Approve the three proposed awards under GFO-22-401.