South Fork Wind Farm

Project Overview



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Project Owner & Background

South Fork Wind Farm will be the first offshore wind farm to serve New York State.

The project is owned by Ørsted and Eversource via a 50/50 Joint Venture.

The project was initially developed by Deepwater Wind, which was acquired by Ørsted in November 2018.

In February of 2019, Eversource acquired a 50 percent stake in the project.

Orsted

A renewable energy company, and the global leader in offshore wind.

EVERSURCE

New England's largest energy company and a premier transmission builder.

South Fork Wind Farm Overview

- New York State's first offshore wind farm
- 15 turbines located 35 miles east of Montauk Point
- Will provide enough clean energy each year to power approximately 70,000 homes
- Power to be delivered to the East Hampton Substation located off Cove Hollow Rd.

Schedule

- 2017 Final PPA approval
- 2018 Permit applications submitted
- 2020 Final permits received
- 2021 Construction starts
- 2022 Commercial operations



Project Components

- 15 Wind Turbine Generators (WTGs)
- 1 Offshore Substation (OSS)
- Inter-array cables (that connect the turbines within the windfarm)
- 138kV export cable that delivers power from the wind farm, to the onshore grid
- Onshore interconnection facility
- Interconnection to existing East Hampton Substation

Note: All components will be sized to accommodate <u>only</u> power from the 15 turbines, with a maximum output capacity of 132MW. The South Fork Wind Farm will not interconnect with other offshore wind projects.



Overview: Major Permitting Processes

The South Fork Wind Farm is located in federal waters, and its power export cable connects in New York State in the Town of East Hampton.

The project is subject to two major permitting processes which are currently underway. Applications made by Deepwater Wind South Fork, LLC (DWSF).



Federal

Review under National Environmental Policy Act

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)

Preferred & Alternative Cable Routes

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Route from Beach Lane in Wainscott

- Identified in Article VII Application as the "Preferred" onshore cable route.
- 4.1 Miles total distance onshore.
- 61.4 miles total of submarine cable
- Follows residential roads for approximately two miles (Beach Lane, Wainscott Main Street, Sayre's Path, Wainscott Stone Rd, Wainscott Northwest Rd).
- Crosses under Route 27 (Montauk Hwy).
- Follows the Long Island Railroad (LIRR) corridor for approximately two miles.
- Delivers power to the East Hampton Substation (as required by contract with LIPA).
- Route requires obtaining real estate rights from both the EH Town and Trustee Boards.

Route from Hither Hills State Park

- Identified in Article VII as the "Viable Alternative" onshore cable route.
- 11.9 miles total distance onshore.
- 49.6 miles total of submarine cable.
- Follows state-owned rights-of-way (Old Montauk Hwy, Route 27/Pantigo Rd, Route 114, and the LIRR right-of-way).
- Follows Main Streets in Amagansett and East Hampton Village.
- Delivers power to the East Hampton Substation (as required by contract with LIPA).
- Real estate rights to be obtained from state agencies.

Preferred & Alternative Cable Landing Sites Sea to Shore Transition Area



- Cable landing area has 18 residences within 500 feet.
- All underground cable infrastructure is designed to withstand water inundation.



- Cable landing area has zero residences within 500 feet.
- All underground cable infrastructure is designed to withstand water inundation.

Sea-To-Shore Transition Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD)

At either the Beach Lane or Hither Hills cable landing location, Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) will be used to set the cable deep beneath the beach and nearshore area.

HDD, also known as directional drilling, is a trenchless construction method commonly used for installing pipes or cables underneath roads, waterbodies or environmentally sensitive areas like wetlands.



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Installation of the cable in the Sea-to-Shore transition area is a threepart process:

- **The HDD rig bores a hole along a prescribed path.** This path will be deep beneath the beach (at least 30 feet) and nearshore area to a distance at least one-third of a mile from shore.
- 2 **Installation of conduit.** A plastic conduit pipe (24 inches or less in diameter) will be floated offshore, then pulled through the bore hole to shore.
- **Pulling of the cable.** The submarine cable (8 to 12 inches in diameter) will arrive coiled up on a large vessel and be pulled through the conduit pipe to shore.

Sea-To-Shore Transition

Conceptual drawing indicative of approach at either Beach Lane or Hither Hills landing site



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Sea-To-Shore Transition Example: HDD Setup



Sea-To-Shore Transition

Example: Scarborough Beach, Rhode Island



An HDD operation similar to that proposed for the South Fork Wind Farm was used successfully to install a submarine power cable at Scarborough Beach in Rhode Island. This process is different from the method used to install the submarine cables at Block Island and will set the cable to a much greater depth.

Underground Duct Bank: Typical Buried Utility Work

The underground duct bank has two major components:

Concrete encased conduits. The concrete will have approximate dimensions of 36 by 40 inches.

2 **Splicing vaults.** Measuring approximately 26' x 8' x 10', precast concrete vaults will join the sections of concrete encased conduits at intervals of approximately 1,000 -1,500 feet. The vaults will be accessible by cast iron manhole covers.

As proposed, the duct bank and vaults will be installed via trenching. Construction occurs in migrating sections – only limited portions of the route will be under construction at any given time. Temporary patch is applied immediately following installation. Once construction is complete, the disturbed road sections will be resurfaced.

Example: Concrete encased duct bank



Underground duct bank installed via trenching

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Duct bank installation with temporary patch



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Road and shoulder fully restored postconstruction. Only manhole covers are visible.



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Example: Underground vaults



Vaults in a beach parking where two submarine cables come ashore. Post installation, only manhole covers are visible.



Construction Timing: South Fork Wind Farm

- No ground disturbing road work between Memorial Day and Labor Day.
- HDD (active drilling) to occur between November 1 and March 31.
- Final work windows and construction duration to be determined by permit and real estate requirements.
- A Management and Protection of Traffic Plan (MPT) is required and will be developed in accordance with traffic standards and in consultation with transportation agencies and the East Hampton Town Police and Highway Departments.
- A core design criteria is to minimize traffic disruption and maintain at least one traffic lane at all times.
- For either route, **beach access will be maintained** throughout the construction process.

Interconnection at the East Hampton Substation Parcel



Article VII Application – Impact Assessment

Exhibits Available for Review in Permit Applications

EXHIBIT 4

Land Use

Visual and Aesthetic Resources

Cultural and Historic Resources

Topography, Geology, Soils, and Groundwater

Vegetation and Wildlife

Wetlands and Waterbodies

Marine Physical and Chemical Characteristics

Finfish

Benthic and Shellfish Resources

Important Habitats and Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species

Noise

Air Quality

Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF)

APPENDICES – TECHNICAL REPORTS

Biological Resources Report Visual Resource Assessment Historical Architectural Resources **Archaeological Resources Onshore Report Acoustic Assessment Reports** Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Geophysical, Geotechnical, and Benthic Reports **Suspended Sediment Report** Essential Fish Habitat Assessment **Benthic Resources Survey Report Preliminary Invasive Species Control Plan** EMF Assessment Reports (Onshore & **Offshore**)

Questions?

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