

Ocean Policy Advisory Council (OPAC) Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC)

Virtual Meeting: April 18th, 2025, 11am-12pm

Meeting Summary

STAC members present: Karina Nielsen, Jan Hodder, Veronica Dujon, David Kling, Jim Lerczak, Will White, Elise Granek, Selina Heppell, Bill Jaegar

Members absent: none

Note taker: Susie Conley, Oregon Sea Grant

DLCD staff present: Andy Lanier

Public: Kate Sullivan

Agenda

11:00 Welcome, introductions

11:05 Updates from STAC chair and STAC members

- “No cost extension” expected to be approved by the legislature for DLCD’s work on OR offshore wind roadmap, but we won’t know for sure until end of the OR legislative session in June.
- Discussion about the best way to connect with OPAC about the relevance of their charge, given changes in the past year (no BOEM lease auction, change in US administration position, OR OSW Roadmap process and timeline, etc.).

11:10 Update from STAC off-shore wind subgroups

- Overview on the research prioritization framework to guide prioritizing research questions.
- Discussion of broad level list of knowledge gaps, noting that no original research has been done for Oregon, but other relevant efforts and publications are forthcoming.
- Discussion about the possibility of a shorter report for OPAC.

- 11:50 Next steps
- STAC chair will confer with OPAC at their next mtg regarding a revised charge, extended timeline, and acceptability of shorter report.
 - May 22nd: next STAC meeting.
- 11:55 Public comments
- Kate Sullivan, professor at CA ethnographer, observing as part of her research on ocean governance processes
- 12:00 Adjourn

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