

**Habitat Protection and Restoration Committee  
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**Agenda Item IV:** Presentation from BOEM on Renewable Wind Energy

**Timeline Status:** Presentation and Information

**Council input and next steps:** Mr. Mike Celata Regional Director at the Bureau of Ocean Energy will be providing a presentation to the Committee on Renewable Wind Energy in the Gulf of Mexico. The Committee should ask questions and direct staff to provide any formal feedback as appropriate.

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**Agenda Item V:** Generic Essential Fish Habitat Amendment and SSC Recommendations

**Timeline Status:** Review and discussion

**Council input and next steps:** At its June 2021 meeting, the Committee requested that the quantitative methodologies proposed in the Generic Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) Amendment for identifying and describing EFH be reviewed by the SSC. These statistical approaches were presented during the August 2021 SSC meeting and Council staff will provide a summary of the SSC's EFH discussion and recommendations. The Committee should review the SSC's comments and discuss the next steps for the document. If the Committee is amenable to the proposed action alternatives, staff will continue developing amendment chapters and provided a revised version of the document for the Committee's review in the future.

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