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CANADA - NOVA SCOTIA OFFSHORE ENERGY REGULATOR

Public Information Webinar

Offshore Wind Land Tenure Processes NS25-1R

November 25, 2025



Who is the CNSOER?

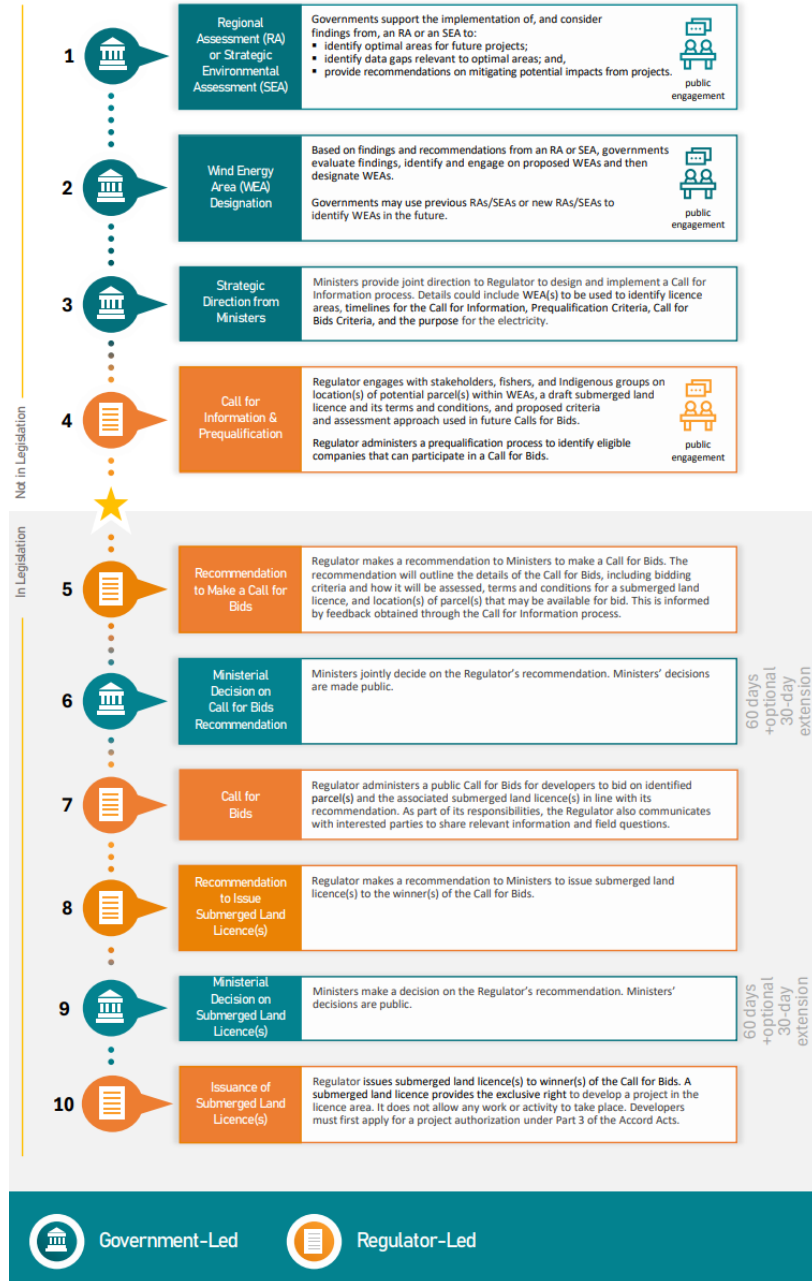
- Lead and Lifecycle Regulator for offshore energy
- An independent joint agency created by the Governments of Canada and Nova Scotia.
 - Federal – Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)
 - Provincial – Nova Scotia Department of Energy (NSDOE)
- Recognize that safety and environmental protection are paramount

Our Mandate

- Health and safety of offshore workers
- Protection of the environment
- Administration of land tenure processes and management of licences
- Geoscience evaluation, data collection, curation and distribution
- Management and conservation of offshore petroleum resources
- Canada-Nova Scotia employment and industrial benefits for petroleum-related activities

Overview of Offshore Wind Land Tenure Processes NS25-1

Accord Acts Offshore Renewable Energy Land Tenure Process



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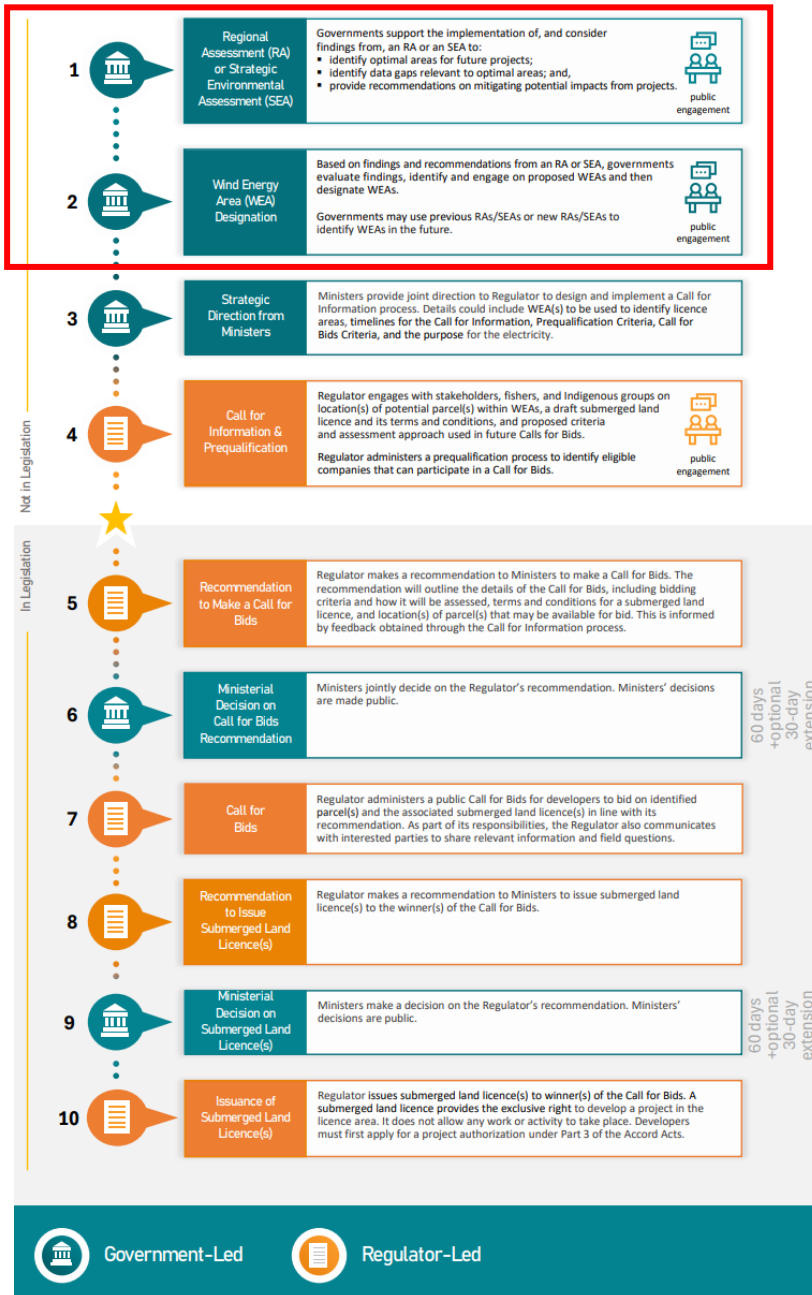
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Land tenure chart available here: [Lands Management](#) | [CNSOER](#)

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Regional Assessment (RA) or Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)

Governments support the implementation of, and consider findings from, an RA or an SEA to:

- identify optimal areas for future projects;
- identify data gaps relevant to optimal areas; provide recommendations on mitigating potential impacts.



Draft Report – October 31 2024, Final Report January 23 2025



Wind Energy Area (WEA) Designation

Based on findings and recommendations from an RA or SEA, governments evaluate findings, identify and engage on proposed WEAs, and then designate WEAs.

Governments may use previous RAs/SEAs or new RAs/SEAs to identify WEAs in the future.



Link - WEA Designation – July 29 2025

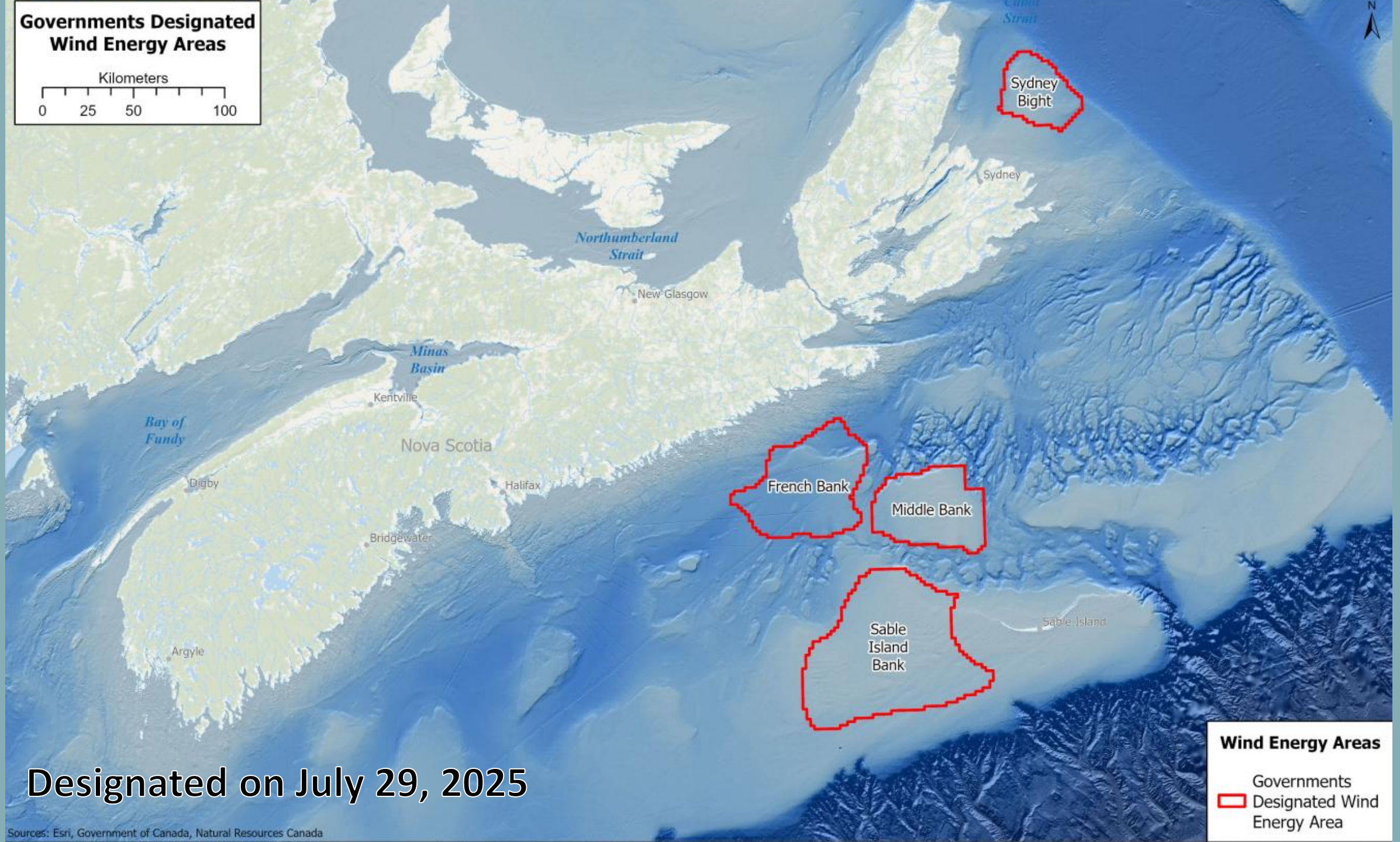
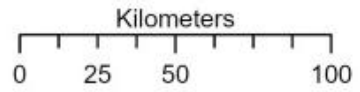


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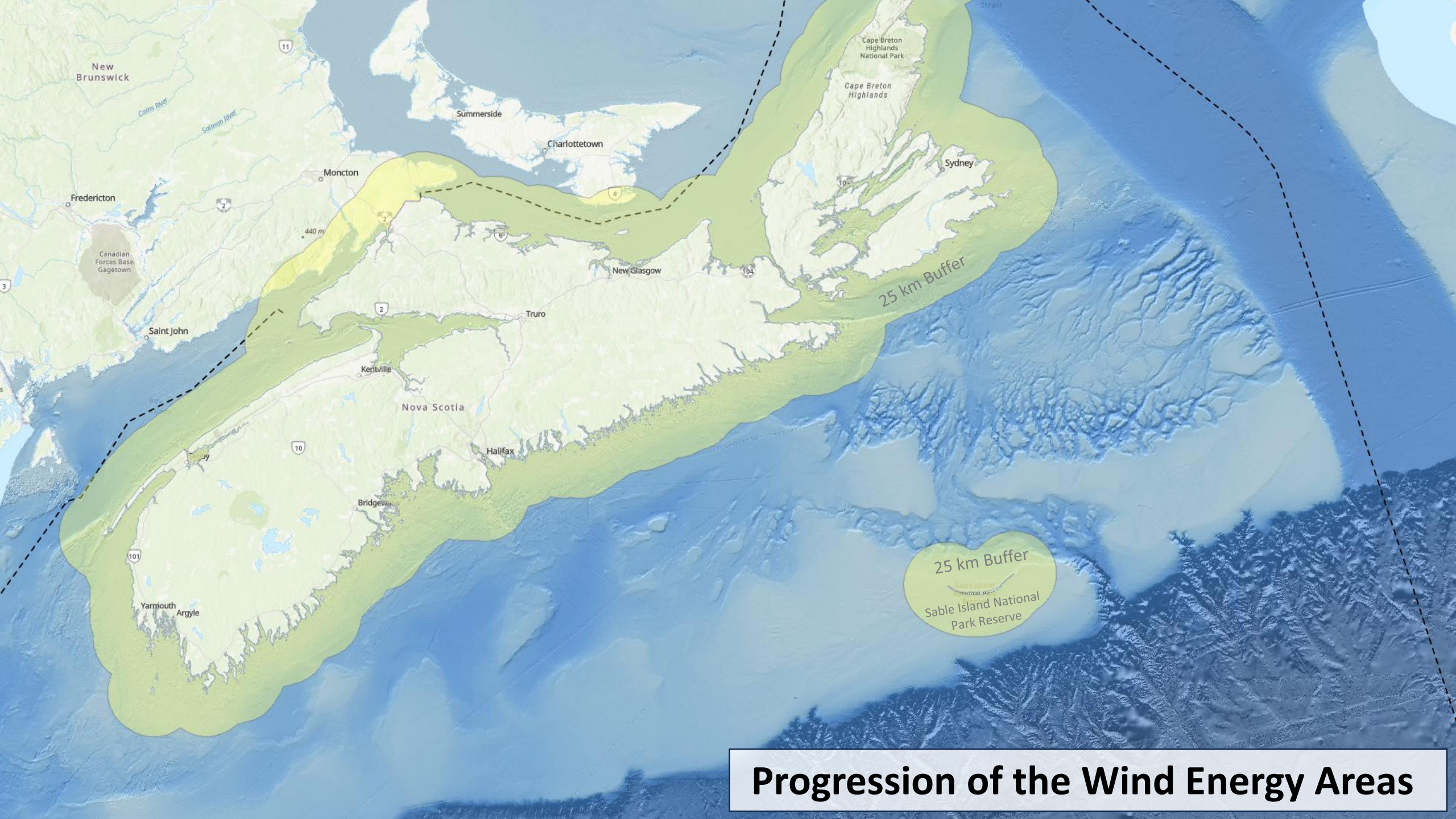
Governments Designated Wind Energy Areas



Wind Energy Areas

- Governments
- Designated Wind Energy Area

Designated on July 29, 2025



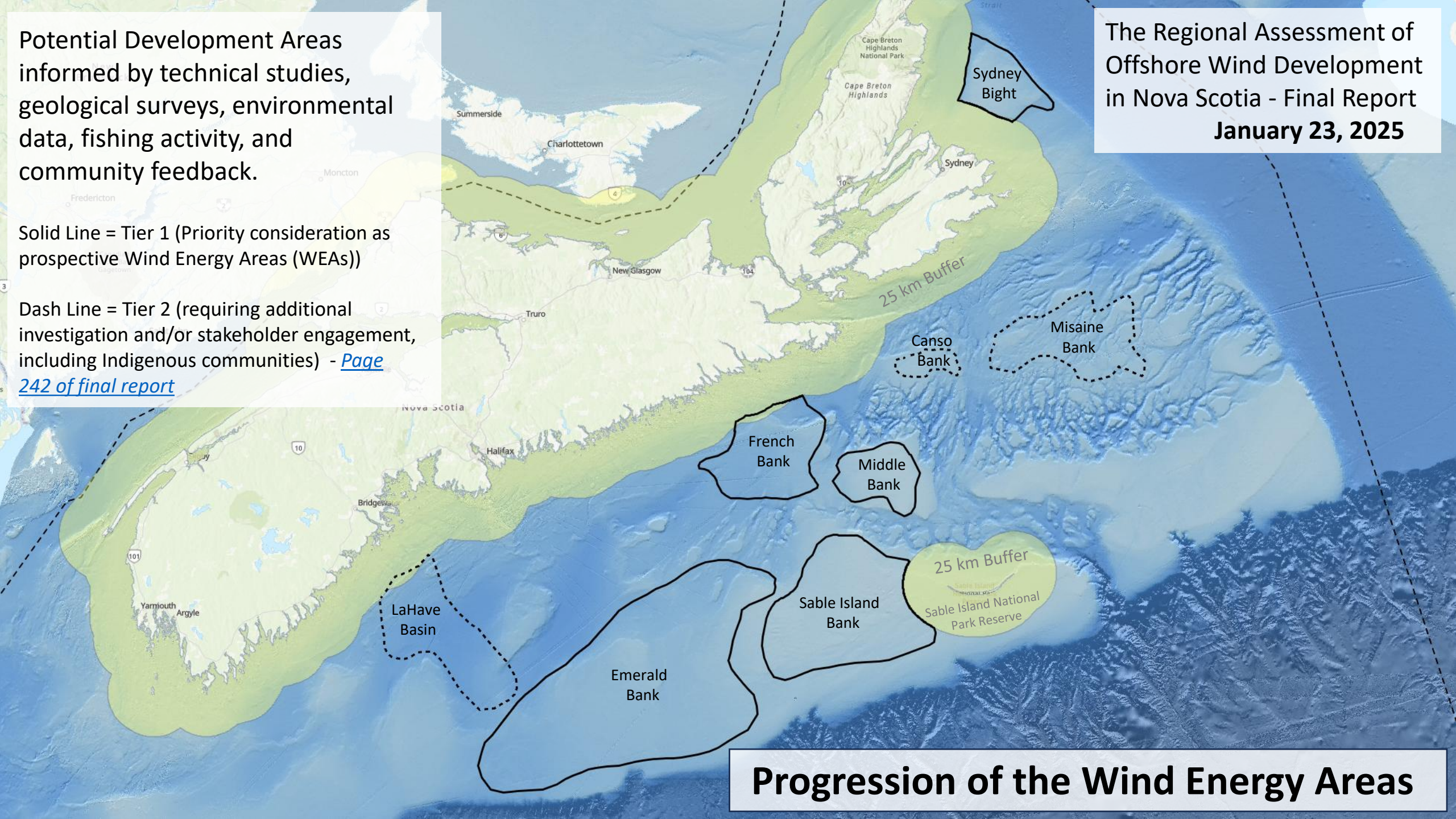
Progression of the Wind Energy Areas

Potential Development Areas informed by technical studies, geological surveys, environmental data, fishing activity, and community feedback.

Solid Line = Tier 1 (Priority consideration as prospective Wind Energy Areas (WEAs))

Dash Line = Tier 2 (requiring additional investigation and/or stakeholder engagement, including Indigenous communities) - [Page 242 of final report](#)

The Regional Assessment of Offshore Wind Development in Nova Scotia - Final Report
January 23, 2025



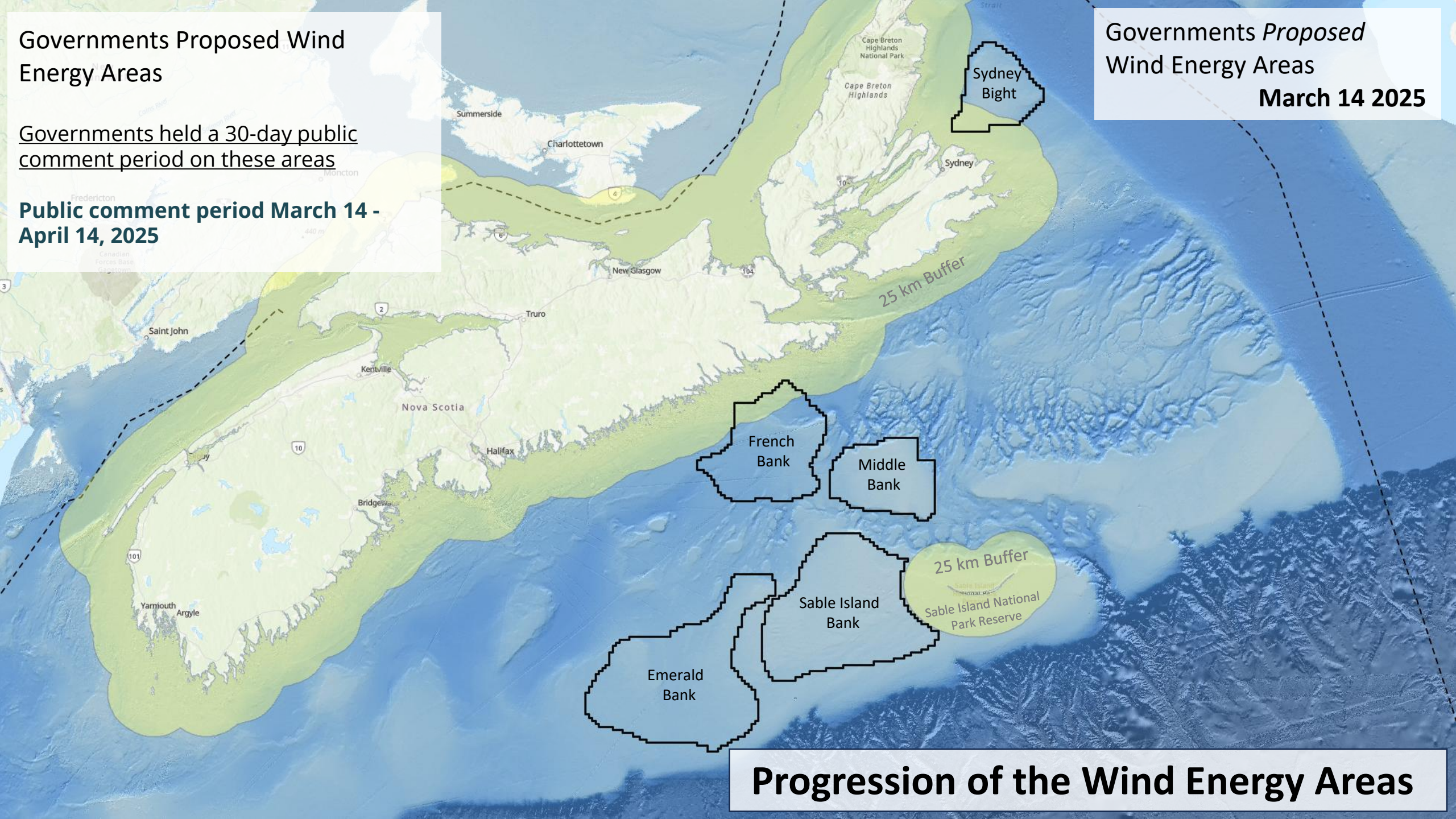
Progression of the Wind Energy Areas

Governments Proposed Wind Energy Areas

Governments held a 30-day public comment period on these areas

Public comment period March 14 - April 14, 2025

Governments *Proposed* Wind Energy Areas
March 14 2025

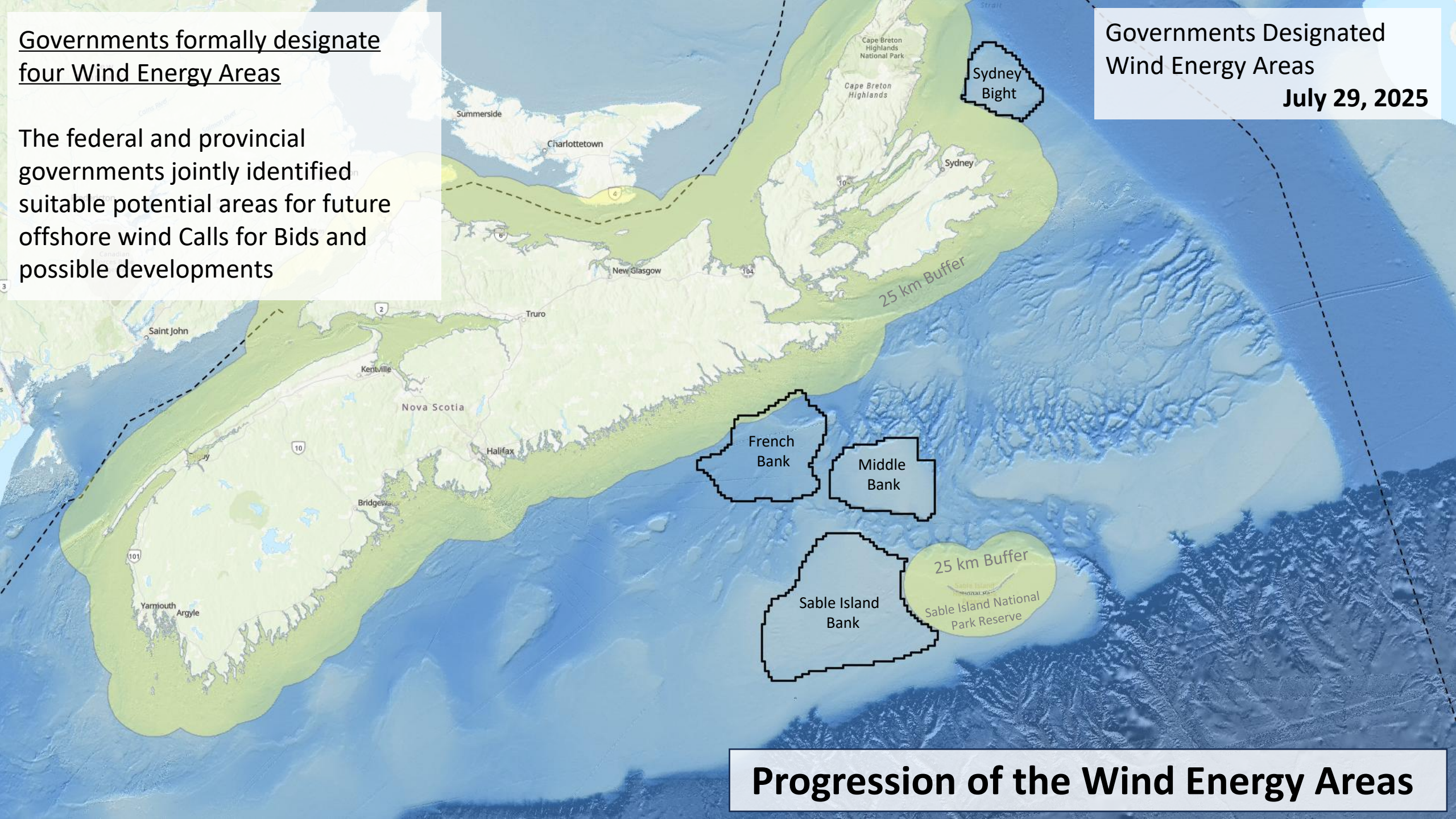


Progression of the Wind Energy Areas

Governments formally designate
four Wind Energy Areas

The federal and provincial
governments jointly identified
suitable potential areas for future
offshore wind Calls for Bids and
possible developments

Governments Designated
Wind Energy Areas
July 29, 2025



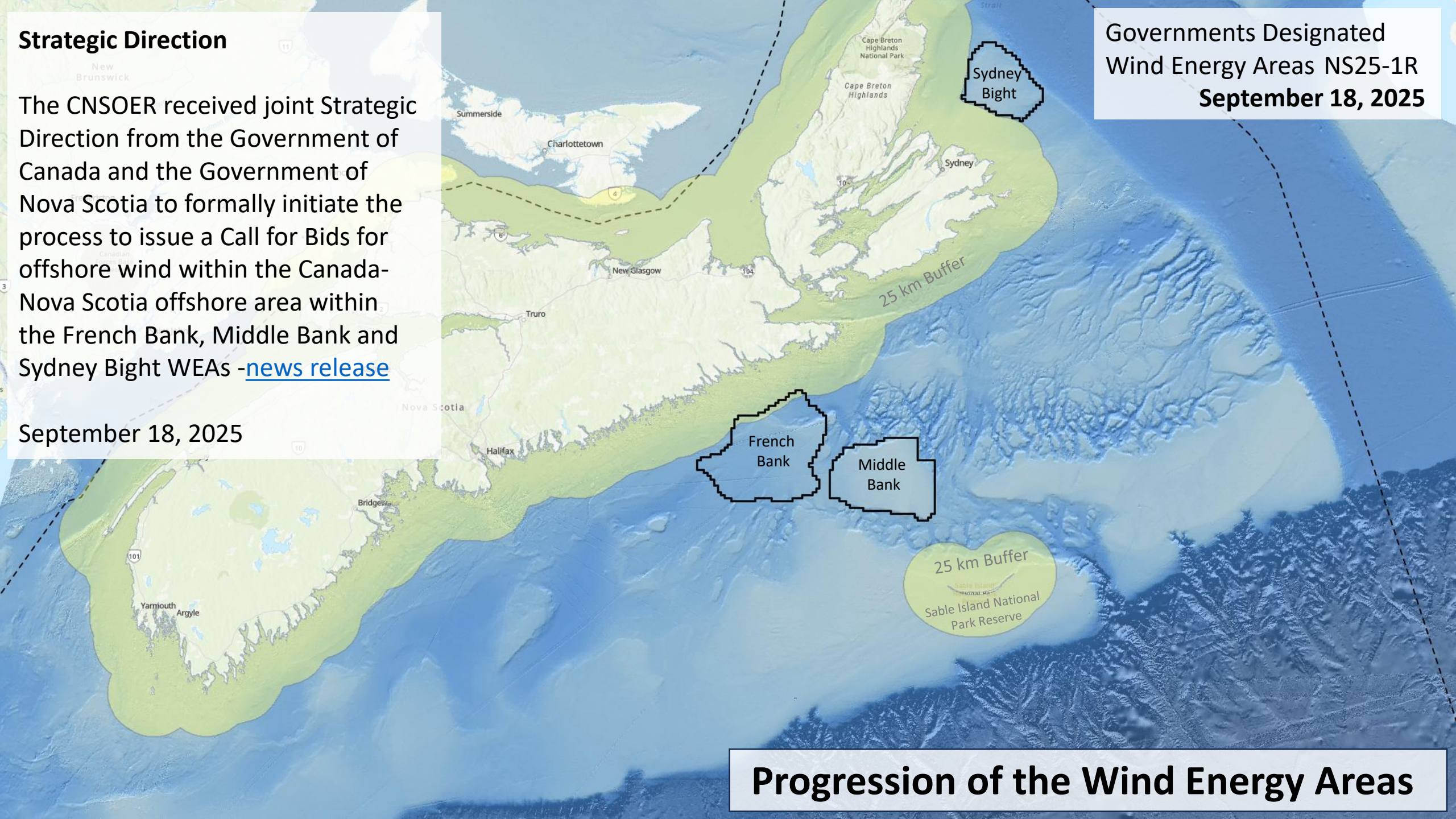
Progression of the Wind Energy Areas

Strategic Direction

The CNSOER received joint Strategic Direction from the Government of Canada and the Government of Nova Scotia to formally initiate the process to issue a Call for Bids for offshore wind within the Canada-Nova Scotia offshore area within the French Bank, Middle Bank and Sydney Bight WEAs -[news release](#)

September 18, 2025

Governments Designated
Wind Energy Areas NS25-1R
September 18, 2025



Progression of the Wind Energy Areas

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Strategic Direction from Ministers

Ministers provide joint direction to Regulator to design and implement a Call for Information process. Details could include WEA(s) to be used to identify licence areas, timelines for Call for Information, Prequalification Criteria, Call for Bids Criteria, and the purpose for the electricity.

Link - [Strategic Direction – September 18 2025](#)



Call for Information & Prequalification

Regulator engages with stakeholders, fishers, and Indigenous groups on location(s) of potential parcel(s) within WEAs, a draft submerged land licence and proposed criteria and assessment approach used in future Calls for Bids.

Regulator administers a prequalification process to identify eligible companies that can participate in a Call for Bids.

Link - [CFI and Prequalification – October 16 2025 \(Closes Jan. 13 2026\)](#)



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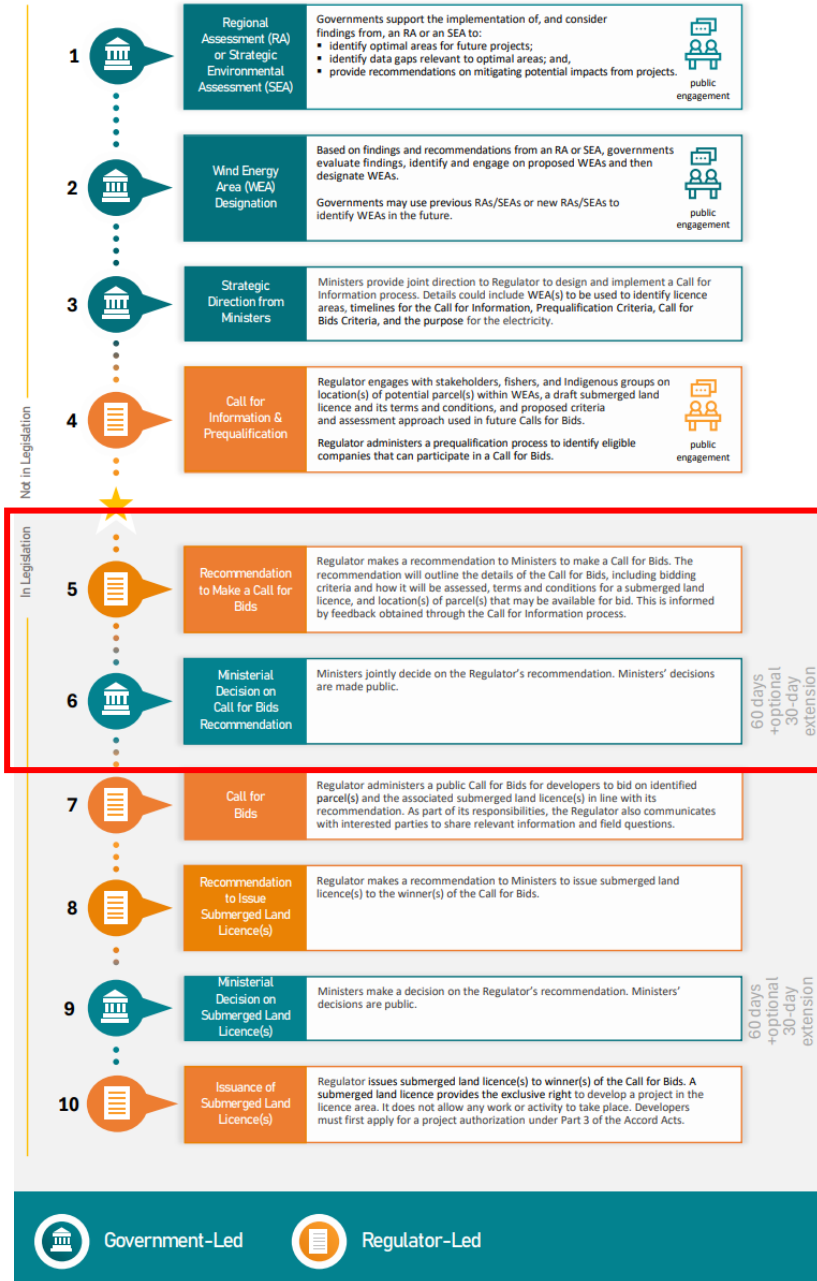


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Recommendation to Make a Call for Bids

Regulator makes a recommendation to Ministers to make a Call for Bids. The recommendation will outline the details of the Call for Bids, including bidding criteria and how it will be assessed, terms and conditions for an SLL, and location(s) of parcel(s) that may be available for bid. This is informed by feedback from the Call for Information process.

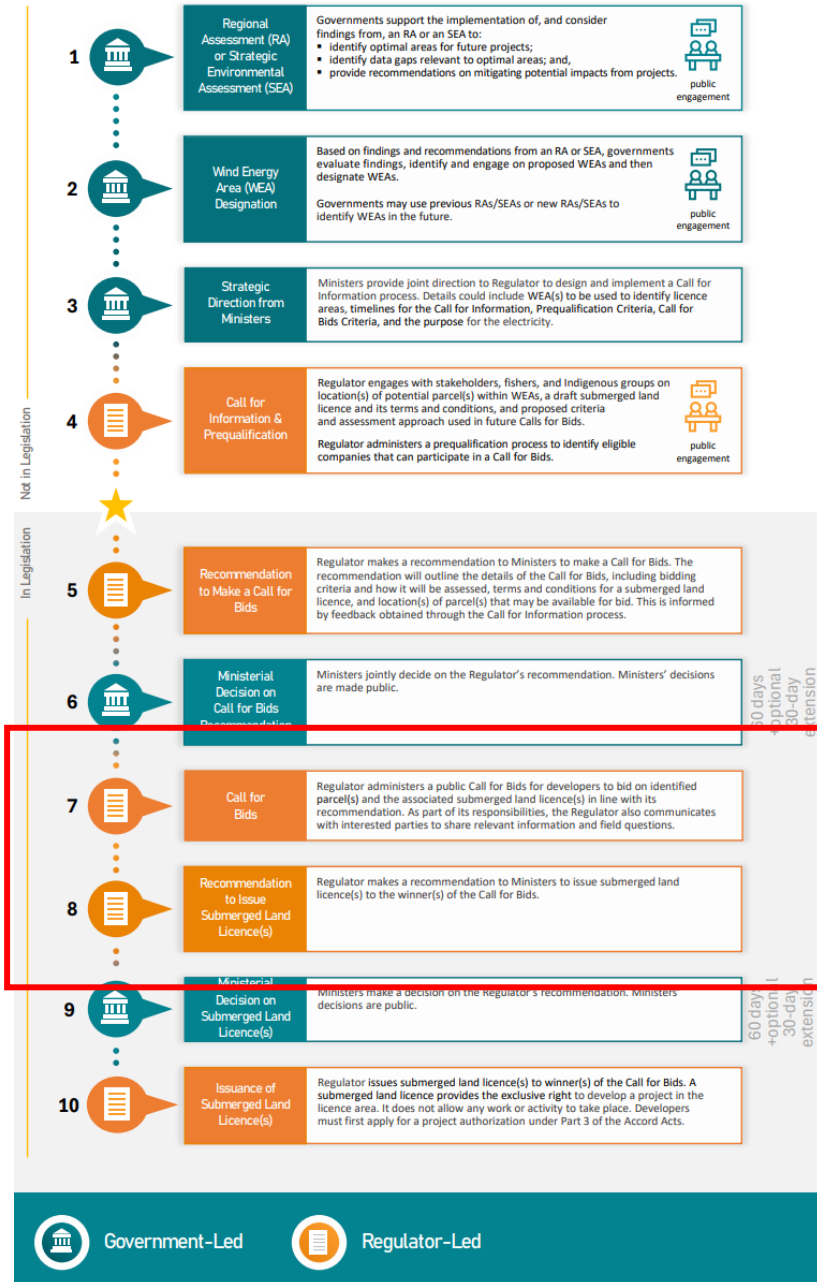
Ministerial Decision on Call for Bids Recommendation

Ministers jointly decide on the Regulator's recommendation. Ministers' decisions are made public.

**Ministers will approve, reject or amend the regulator's recommendation.*

60 + 30 days

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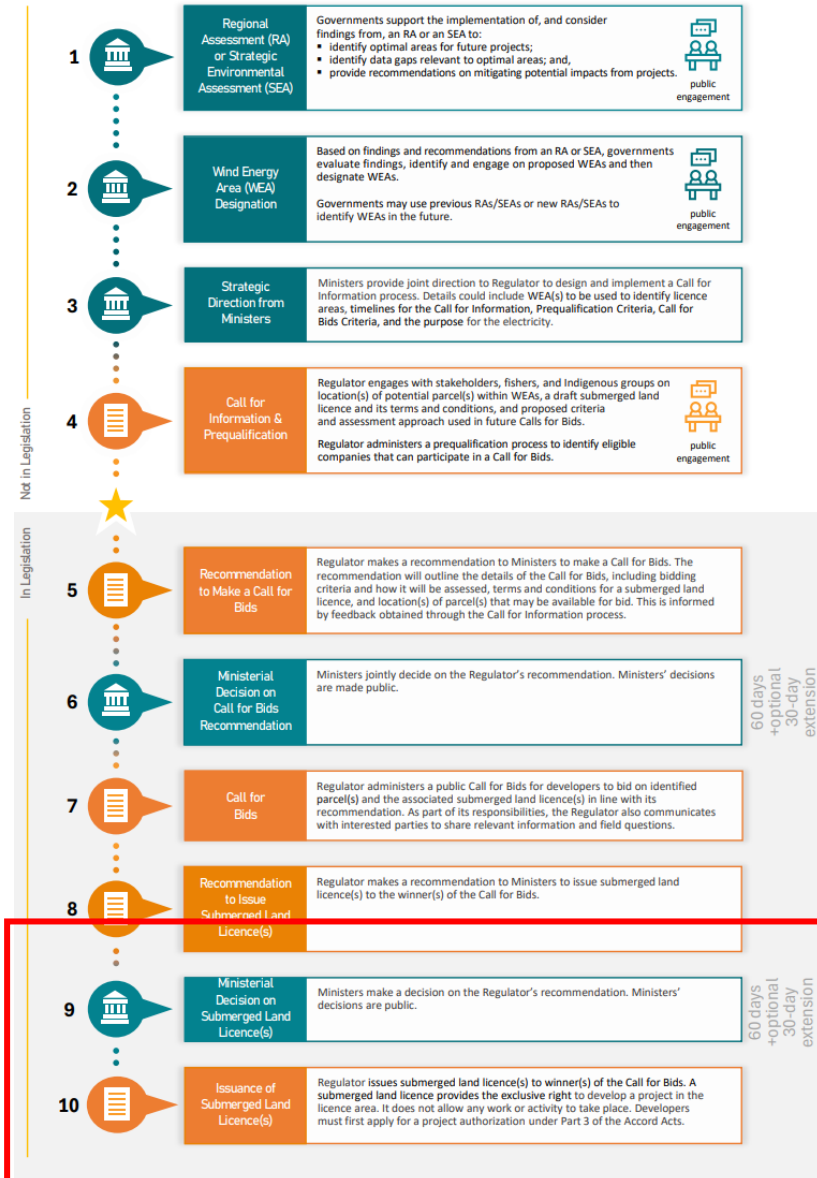
Call for Bids

Regulator administers a public Call for Bids for developers to bid on identified parcel(s) and the associated SLLs in line with its recommendation. As part of its responsibilities, the Regulator also communicates with interested parties to share relevant information and field questions.

Recommendation to Issue Submerged Land Licence(s)

Regulator makes a recommendation to Ministers to issue submerged land licence(s) to the winner(s) of the Call for Bids.

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Ministerial Decision on Submerged Land Licence

Ministers make a decision on the Regulator's recommendation. Ministers' decisions are public.

60 + 30 days



Issuance of Submerged Land Licence(s)

Regulator issues SLL(s) to winner(s) of the Call for Bids. A SLL provides the exclusive right to develop a project in the licence area. It does not allow any work or activity to take place. Developers must first apply for a project authorization under Part 3 of the Accord Acts.



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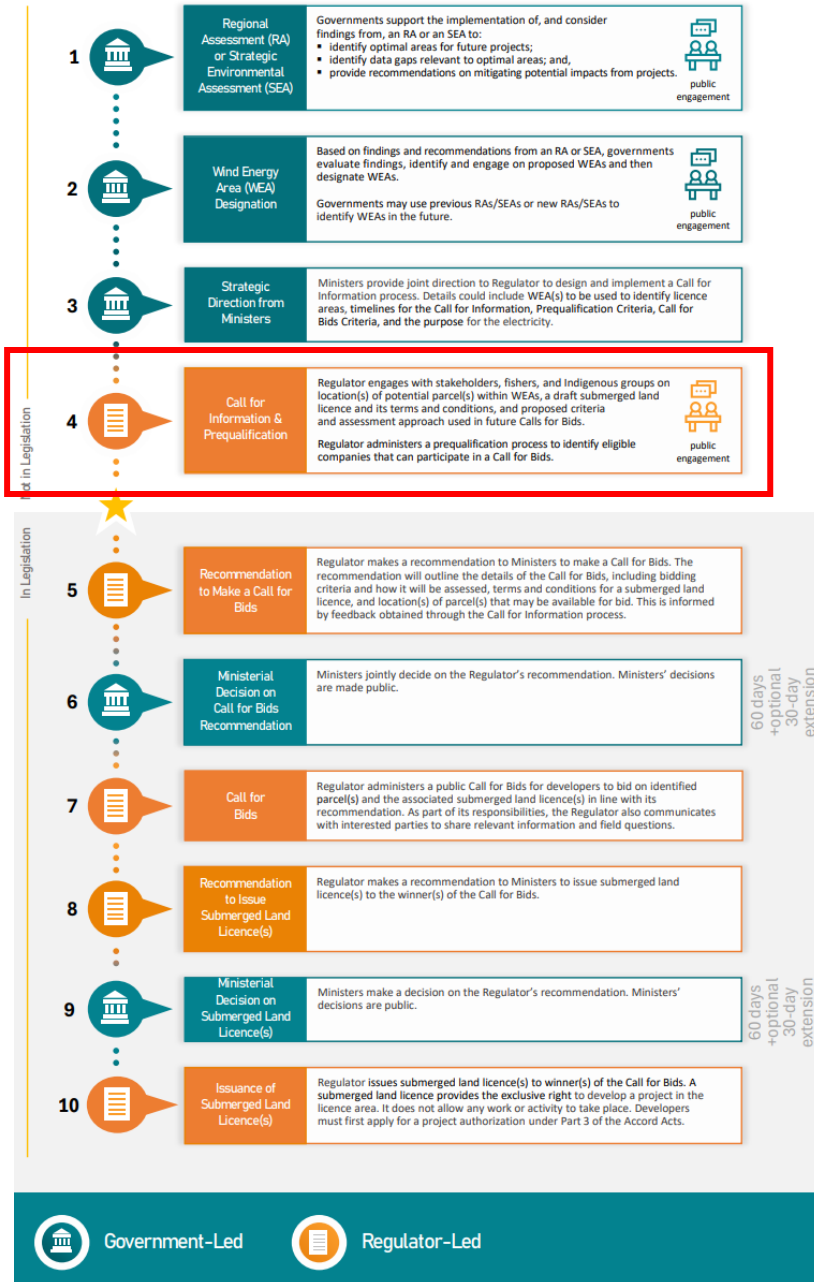


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Link - [CFI and Prequalification – October 16 2025 \(Closes Jan. 13 2026\)](#)

The regulator-led Call for Information and Prequalification processes began on October 16 2025 and will close on January 13 2026 (90 days)

Overview of Offshore Wind Prequalification NS25-1R Process

Prequalification NS25-1R

- The offshore wind Prequalification NS25-1R is open for 90 days, from October 16, 2025, to January 13, 2026
- The purpose of the offshore wind Prequalification process is to review and identify eligible companies that can participate in the next offshore wind Call for Bids.
- Companies are required to meet certain financial, technical, and legal and social criteria.
 - **Financial Capability**
 - Equity Ratio or Debt rating
 - Annual turnover or net assets, or funds under management
 - **Technical Expertise**
 - Direct experience in offshore wind development or relevant experience (e.g offshore oil and gas or other renewable energy projects) or access to external expertise
 - **Legal and Social Status**
 - History of regulatory compliance, maintaining Health, Safety and Environment and Human Rights standards, and ethical conduct.

[Offshore Wind Prequalification NS25-1R Webpage](#)

Prequalification NS25-1R Form

PART E – FUNDS UNDER MANAGEMENT

To complete Part E, applicants are required to provide their company's most recent audited financial statements as an attachment. The information below must match the contents of these financial statements. If it does not, the application may be disqualified.

Audited financial statements dated before January 1, 2023, will not be considered acceptable.

If the applicant does not have audited financial statements within this time period, unaudited financial statements may be submitted along with an attestation from the Chief Financial Officer certifying that the statements are accurate. Unaudited financial statements dated before January 1, 2023, will not be considered acceptable. The CNSOER reserves the right to accept unaudited financial statements at its discretion.

Funds under management consists of the total value of financial assets such as cash, stocks, bonds, or other securities.

Funds under management of at least \$100,000,000 CAD is necessary to complete Part E.

Applicant's Total Cash:

Applicant's Total Securities (including bonds or stocks):

Applicant's Total Other Financial Assets (*Elaborate below*):

If the threshold of \$100,000,000 CAD is not met by Total Cash and Total Securities and the applicant has included an amount under "Other Financial Assets", please list the other financial assets here:

Please submit any questions to
landtenure@cnsor.ca

SECTION I: INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS

SECTION II: FINANCIAL CRITERIA

PART A – EQUITY RATIO

PART B – CREDIT/DEBT RATING

PART C – TOTAL ANNUAL REVENUE/GROSS ANNUAL SALES

PART D – NET ASSETS

PART E – FUNDS UNDER MANAGEMENT

SECTION III: TECHNICAL CRITERIA

PART A – OFFSHORE WIND EXPERIENCE

PART B – OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

PART C – ACCESS TO SUPPLEMENTARY EXPERIENCE

PART D – KNOWLEDGE OF LOCAL SUPPLY CHAIN

SECTION IV: LEGAL & SOCIAL CRITERIA

PART A – LEGAL AND REGULATORY

PART B – HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT (HSE) AND HUMAN RIGHTS

PART C – ETHICAL CONDUCT

SECTION V: ATTESTATIONS & SUPPORTING INFORMATION

SECTION VI: ADDITIONAL SPACE

* The completed form, including all attachments other than the audited financial statements requested in Section II, must not exceed 60 pages in length.

Offshore Wind Prequalification NS25-1R – Questions and Answers

Last Updated: **November 7, 2025**

This document will be updated with answers to questions regarding offshore wind Prequalification NS25-1R as they are received.

Please submit any questions to landtenure@cnsoer.ca

- Q:** Do supply companies need to submit the Offshore Wind Prequalification NS25-1R Form?
A: No. Prequalification is only required for companies who wish to hold a share in a Submerged Land Licence or become an Interest Owner and participate in the offshore wind Call for Bids.
- Q:** What is the “applicable legislation” regarding mandated disclosure in Section I and under what circumstances would the legislation override the confidentiality protections?
A: In the *Accord Acts*, there is a general rule of confidentiality or privilege protection of information or documentation submitted for the purposes of Part II. This applies to information and documentation submitted for Prequalification. Note that the Federal Energy and Natural Resources Canada and Provincial Department of Energy Ministers are entitled to this information or documentation as well if they request it of us. The privilege protection still applies to any information or documentation obtained by Ministers through this request. Further, the information or documentation is subject to the third-party confidentiality provisions in the federal *Access to Information Act* and personal information is subject to the *Privacy Act*.
- Q:** Will the list of qualified operators be kept confidential in perpetuity, or would the confidentiality provisions terminate at a future time?
A: The CNSOER intends to keep the list of any participants in the Prequalification process confidential in perpetuity.
- Q:** Regarding Section IV, Part A, is the question asking for those actions taken against the applicant that may affect applicant’s ability to finance, develop, and/or operate an offshore wind project offshore of Nova Scotia, or how the actions may have affected applicant’s ability to advance other projects in the past, present, and/or future?

Last updated: **November 7, 2025**

Prequalification – Questions and Answers

- Answers to questions posed to the CNSOER about offshore wind Prequalification NS25-1R are posted for all interested companies to review.
- This document is updated as questions are received and answers are provided.
- Prequalification questions and answers can be found here: [Offshore Wind Prequalification | CNSOER](#)
- Please submit any questions to landtenure@cnsoer.ca

Overview of Offshore Wind Call for Information NS25-1R Process

Call for Information NS25-1R

- The offshore wind Call for Information NS25-1R is open for 90 days, from October 16, 2025, to January 13, 2026
 - As part of the offshore wind Call for Information NS25-1R, the CNSOER welcomes feedback on governments' Strategic Direction letter. The CNSOER invites Indigenous groups and rights holders, the fishing sector, industry, government, the public, and other stakeholders to provide their feedback on:
 - The Wind Energy Areas being considered and the location(s) of potential parcel(s) within these Wind Energy Areas.
 - The possible evaluation criteria to be used as part of the Call for Bids process.
 - The possible draft terms and conditions for a Submerged Land Licence
 - Other details related to the Strategic Direction

[Offshore Wind Call for Information NS25-1R - Webpage](#)

Call for Information NS25-1R



Offshore Wind Call for Information NS25-1R

On October 16, 2025, the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Energy Regulator (CNSOER) commenced its 90-day written feedback period for offshore wind Call for Information NS25-1R.

The CNSOER welcomes your feedback. The written feedback period began on **October 16, 2025 and closes on January 13, 2026**. Please use the form below to provide the CNSOER with your comments.

Upon submission of your comments, you will receive a confirmation email with a copy of your submission. If the confirmation email does not arrive in your inbox within a few minutes, please check your junk mail. If you do not receive an email confirmation, please contact us at info@cnsoer.ca if you wish to obtain a copy for your records.

To learn more about the offshore wind Call for Information NS25-1R process, [please visit our website](#).

To ensure our written feedback period is fair and transparent, we post comments we receive on our website and in a public 'What We Heard' report. However, comments of a confidential nature (e.g. Indigenous knowledge) will not be posted on our website or in the report. Please indicate your preference in the consent box below.*

☐ My comments can be posted on the CNSOER website and in the 'What We Heard' report.
☐ I do not consent to have my comments posted on the CNSOER website or in the 'What We Heard' report.

Name*

First NameLast Name

Email*

Organization Name*

If you are not associated with an organization, please write N/A.

Please choose which stakeholder group you identify as.*

☐ Indigenous Group or Rights Holders
☐ African Nova Scotia and African Descent Communities
☐ Fishing Sector
☐ Industry
☐ Government
☐ Other Interested Stakeholder

I reside:*

☐ Nova Scotia
☐ New Brunswick
☐ Prince Edward Island
☐ Newfoundland or Labrador

First page of the form where identifying information is requested and whether consent is given to publicly post.

Example section where feedback is requested on potential evaluation criteria to be used in the Call for Bids process.

Potential evaluation criteria for bids submitted as part of the offshore wind Call for Bids process

- Bid submission categories that the CNSOER is considering include:
 - Technical Expertise and Project Delivery Capacity
 - Project Experience
 - Project Plan
 - Pre-feasibility Study
 - Financial Strength and Project Delivery Readiness
 - Net Assets and Equity Ratio or Funds Under Management
 - Financial Track Record
 - Project Financing Plan
 - Engagement and Community Benefits
 - Engagement Plan that is inclusive of the Mi'kmaq of Nova Scotia, African Nova Scotian and African Descent communities, and other underrepresented and underserved groups.
 - Local Community Benefits Plan that is inclusive of the Mi'kmaq of Nova Scotia, African Nova Scotian and African Descent communities, and other underrepresented and underserved groups.
 - Supply Chain and Workforce Development
 - Supply Chain Development Plan that supports establishing an offshore wind supply chain that is inclusive, diverse, and equitable, creating opportunities for Mi'kmaq of Nova Scotia, African Nova Scotian, and African Descent communities, and other underrepresented and underserved groups.
 - Workforce and Training Plan.
 - Environmental Sustainability and Coexistence
 - Coexistence Plan that includes references to existing ocean users and uses.
 - Biodiversity Plan that includes references to proposed measures to protect, conserve, and/or enhance biodiversity.

The CNSOER welcomes your suggestions and feedback on bid submission criteria to be used as part of the Call for Bids process, including specific criteria, criteria weighting, scoring metrics, and evaluation methods.

Call for Information NS25-1R

Offshore Wind Parcel Identification

- The CNSOER is seeking information on possible parcel locations within the government designated Wind Energy Areas. There were three areas identified by governments in their Strategic Direction letter: Sydney Bight, Middle Bank, and French Bank.
- To nominate an area within the Wind Energy Areas noted in Appendix C of the Strategic Direction letter for the CNSOER to consider, please follow instructions described in the offshore wind nomination form
- The CNSOER will review all nominations submitted and the final parcel configurations will be included in the CNSOER's offshore renewable energy recommendations for the Ministers' review and approval process set out in legislation.

[Offshore Wind Nomination Form](#)

Offshore Wind Nomination Form

The Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Energy Regulator (CNSOER) requests that offshore wind nominations be submitted in digital format (e.g. shapefiles, geodatabase, georeferenced image etc.). To submit a nomination please complete this form, compile associated mapping files and email all files to callforbids@cnsouer.ca. Nominations and accompanying information submitted to this email address will remain confidential. Nominations should consider the factors noted in section one of Appendix A from the governments [Strategic Direction letter](#) however, the CNSOER reserves the right to adjust all nominations.

Name of individual, company or consortium:

Wind Energy Area:

Approximate size of nomination (km²):

Approximate energy generation capacity (MW or GW):

Fixed: ☐ Floating: ☐

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Signature:

Date:

Other Comments:

If you have questions regarding this process, please contact callforbids@cnsouer.ca

Nominations must follow the [Land Division Guideline](#).

Land division shapefiles to assist with nomination boundaries can be downloaded [here](#)

Shapefiles of the Governments Designated Wind Energy Areas can be downloaded [here](#).

Offshore Wind Nomination Form

- Consider the details outlined in the governments strategic direction letter when forming nomination(s)
- Complete the form, compile all associated mapping files and email to callforbids@cnsouer.ca
- There are other helpful links within this form
 - Land Division Guideline
 - Land Division Shapefiles
 - Shapefile of the Wind Energy Areas
- Questions regarding nominations should also be sent to callforbids@cnsouer.ca
- CNSOER reserves the right to adjust all nominations

Wind Energy Area Spatial Data Viewer



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Offshore Wind Land Tenure Process NS25-1R

On September 18, 2025, the CNSOER received joint Strategic Direction from the Government of Canada and the Government of Nova Scotia to formally initiate the process to issue a Call for Bids for offshore wind within the Canada-Nova Scotia offshore area.

Offshore Wind Strategic Direction from Ministers

Learn more about the joint Strategic Direction provided by the federal and provincial governments on September 18, 2025, to formally initiate the process to issue an offshore wind Call for Bids NS25-1R within the Canada-Nova Scotia offshore area.

Offshore Wind Call for Information

On October 16, 2025, the CNSOER commenced its 90-day offshore wind Call for Information NS25-1R. Learn more about opportunities for public engagement specific to the Wind Energy Areas included in the offshore wind Call for Information NS25-1R process.

Offshore Wind Prequalification

On October 16, 2025, the CNSOER commenced its 90-day offshore wind Prequalification NS25-1R. Learn more about the offshore wind Prequalification NS25-1R and how eligible companies can participate in offshore wind Call for Bids NS25-1R.

Wind Energy Area Spatial Data Viewer

Visit the Wind Energy Area Spatial Data Viewer to explore interactive datasets.

Offshore Renewable Energy Land Tenure Process NS25-1R

To learn more about the offshore renewable energy land tenure process, view the document below. This document outlines the different phases of the offshore wind land tenure process.

[📄 Accord Acts Offshore Renewable Energy Land Tenure Process](#)

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Governments Designated Wind Energy Areas



WEA Bathymetry Contours

Contour Color

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Distance From Shore

25km Distance From Shore



CNSOER Jurisdictional Boundary



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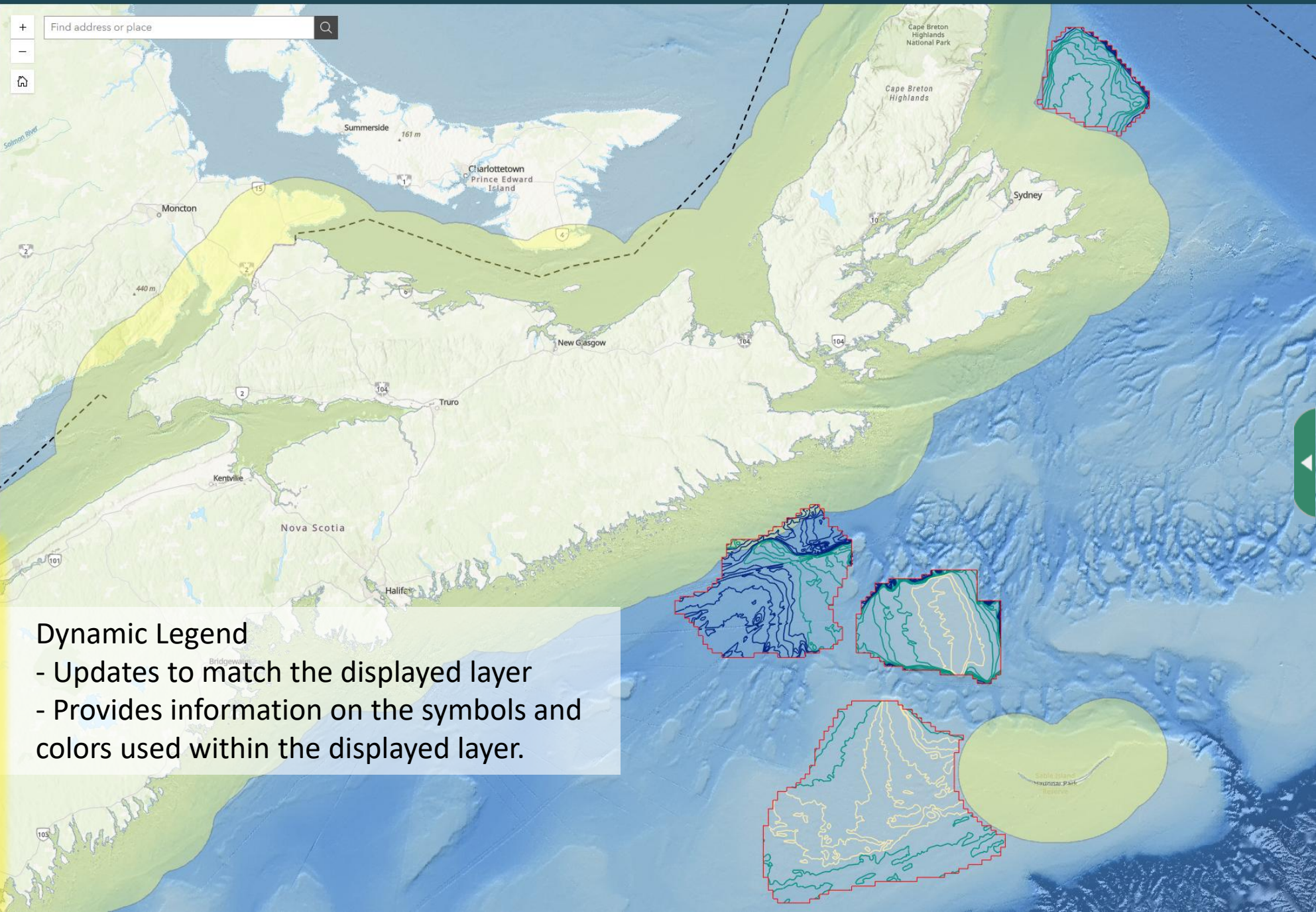
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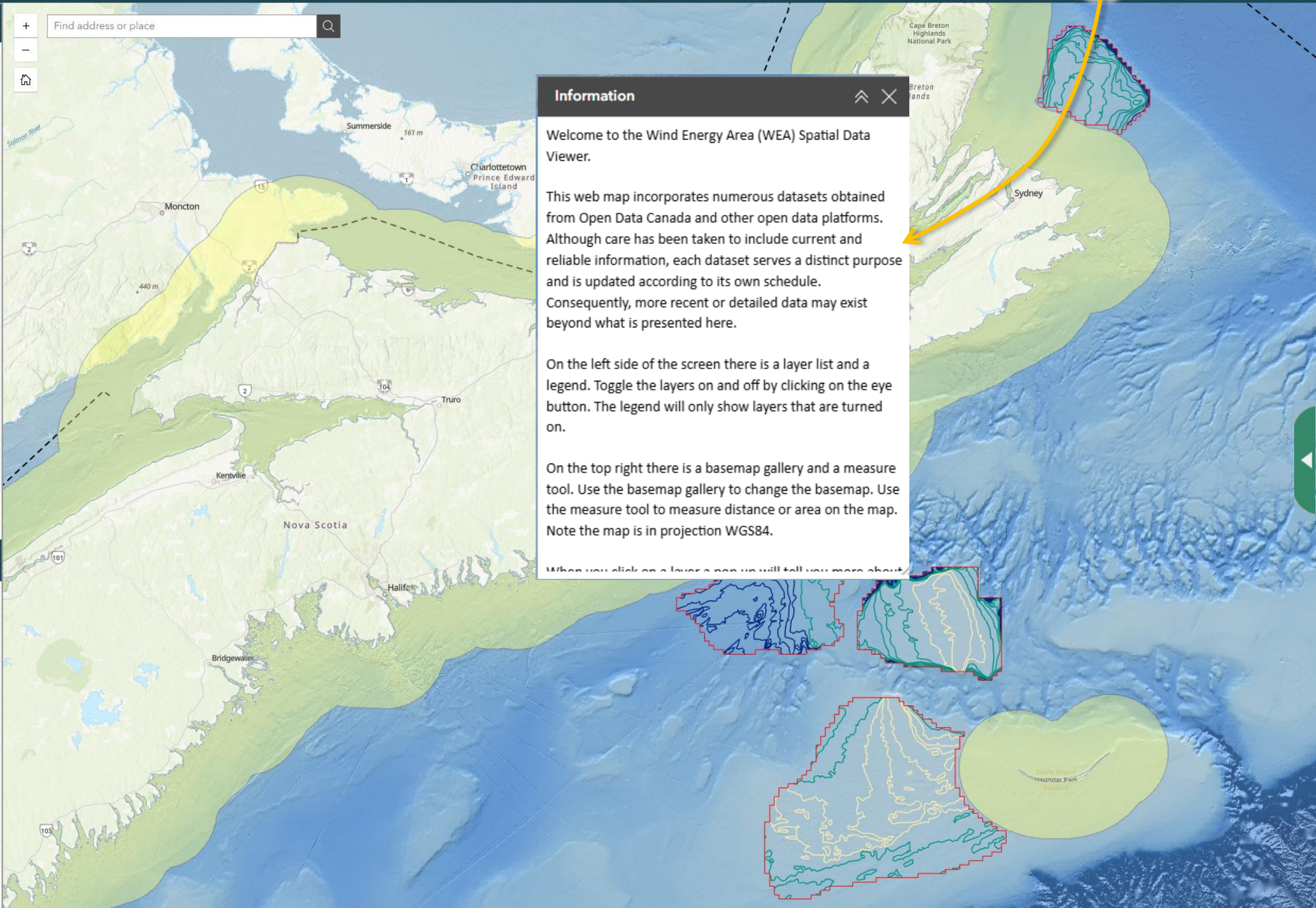
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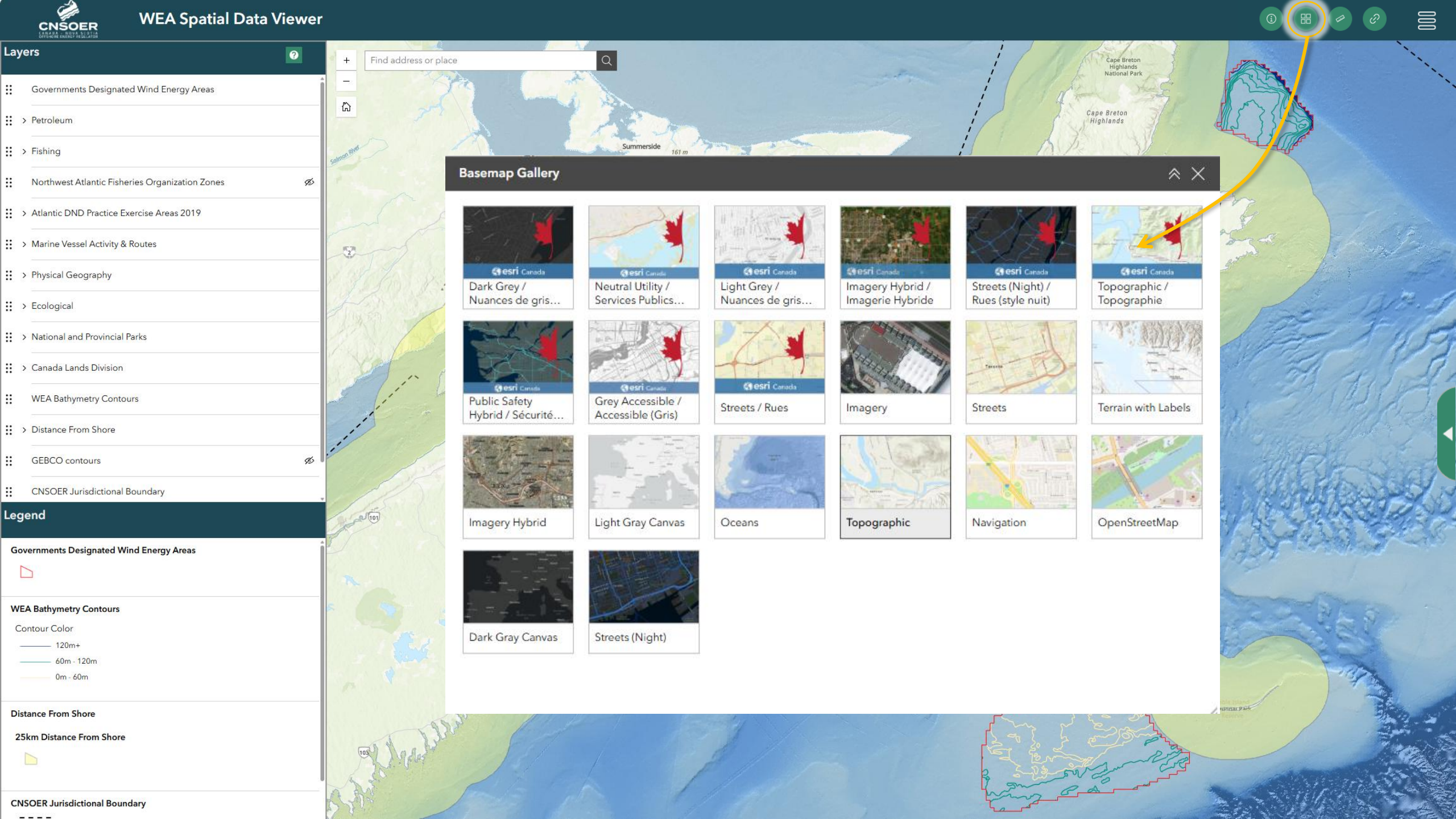
Welcome to the Wind Energy Area (WEA) Spatial Data Viewer.

This web map incorporates numerous datasets obtained from Open Data Canada and other open data platforms. Although care has been taken to include current and reliable information, each dataset serves a distinct purpose and is updated according to its own schedule. Consequently, more recent or detailed data may exist beyond what is presented here.

On the left side of the screen there is a layer list and a legend. Toggle the layers on and off by clicking on the eye button. The legend will only show layers that are turned on.

On the top right there is a basemap gallery and a measure tool. Use the basemap gallery to change the basemap. Use the measure tool to measure distance or area on the map. Note the map is in projection WGS84.

When you click on a layer a pop up will tell you more about

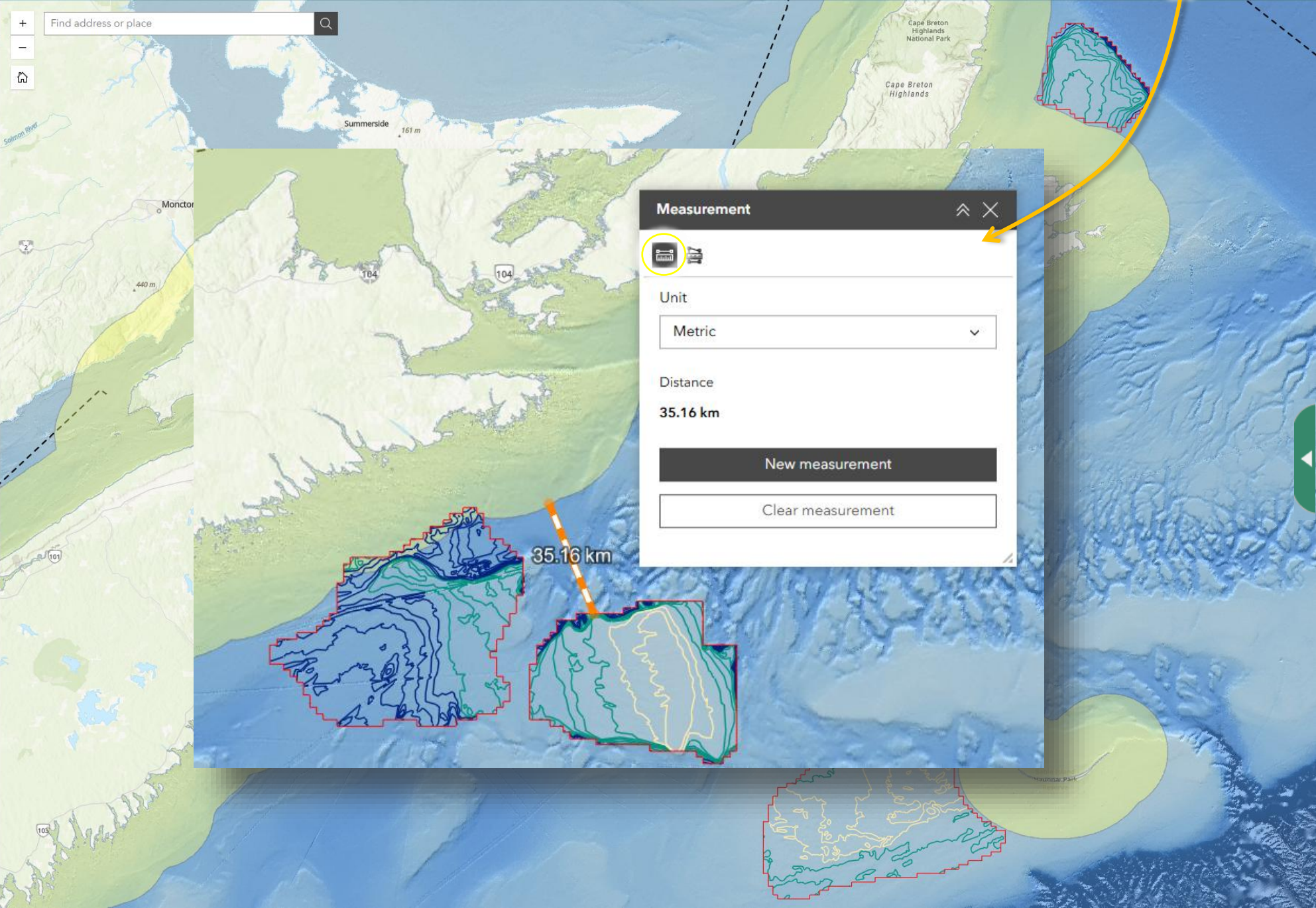


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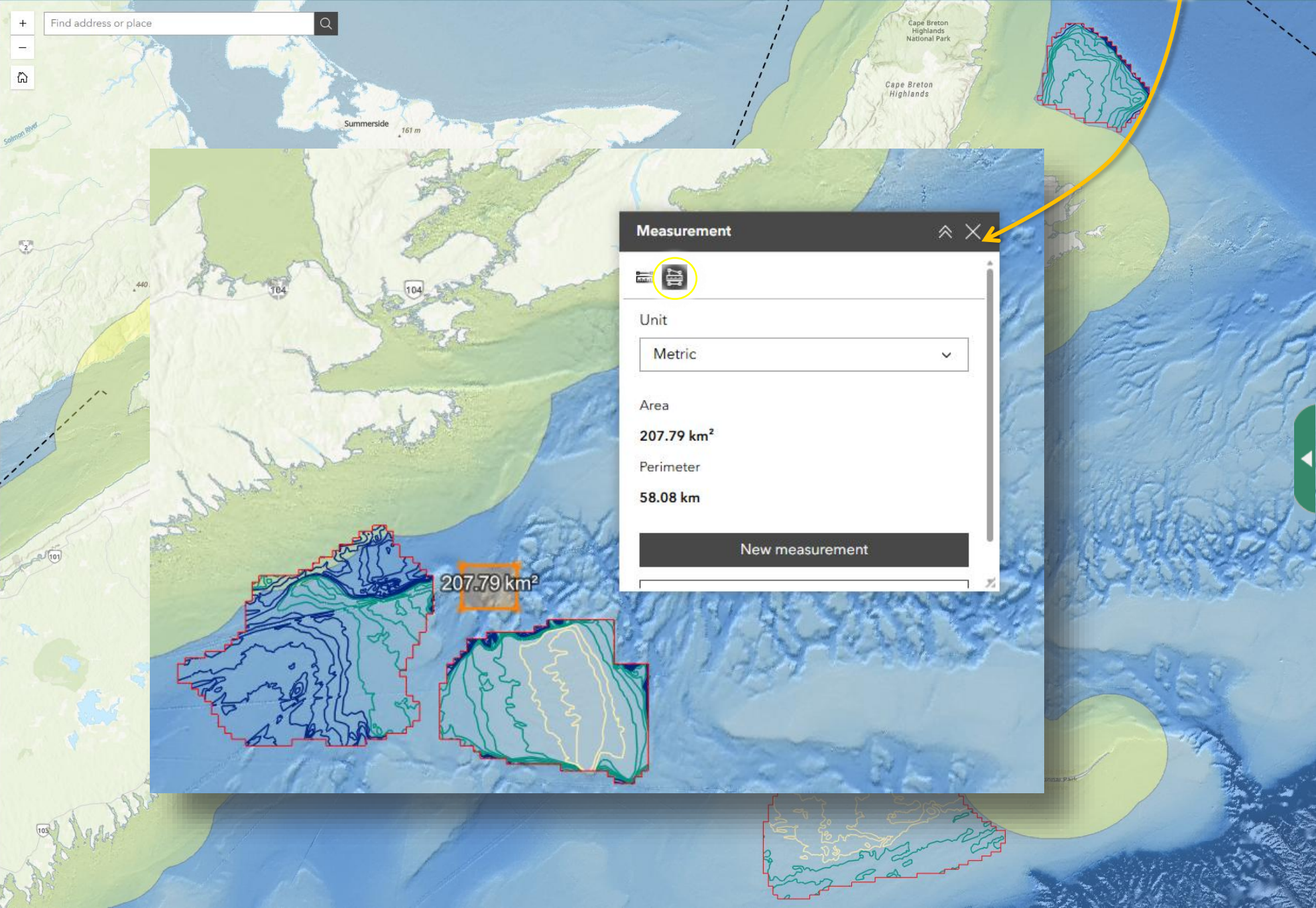


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Measurement



Unit

Metric

Area

207.79 km²

Perimeter

58.08 km

New measurement

Layers

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Legend

Governments Designated Wind Energy Areas



WEA Bathymetry Contours

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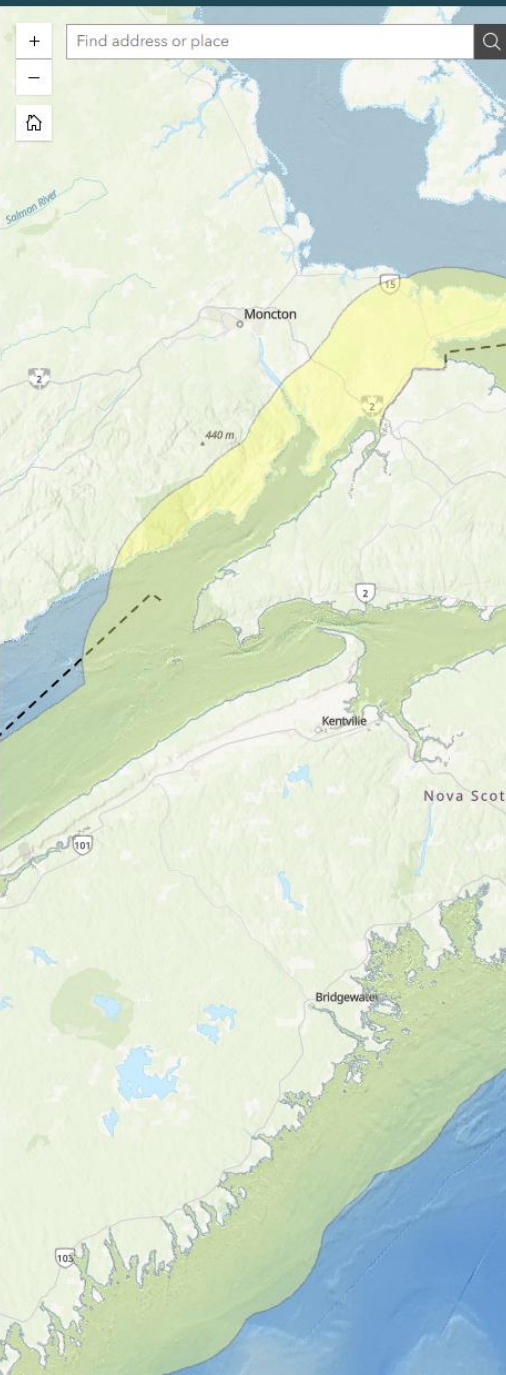
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- 60m - 120m
- 0m - 60m

Distance From Shore

25km Distance From Shore



CNSOER Jurisdictional Boundary



Data Sources

Governments Designated Wind Energy Area

Oil & Gas

- Directory of Wells
- Production Licenses
- Pipelines

Fishing

- Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization Zones
- Commercial Fishery
- Commercial Fisheries by Species
- Commercial Fisheries by Gear Type

Atlantic DND Practice Exercise Areas

- Atlantic Canada DND Firing & Practice Exercise Areas

Marine Vessel Activity & Routes

- Canada Alternate Ballast Water Exchange Areas
- Canadian Anchorages and Anchorage Areas
- Vessel Traffic Routes
- Vessel Density

Physical Geography

- Wind Speed
- Surficial Geology of the Scotian Shelf

Ecological

- Significant Benthic Areas
- Risk to Marine Birds
- DFO Species at Risk Critical Habitat
- Defined Ecological Areas
- Draft Maritime Conservation Network Sites
- CPCAD- Protected and Conserved Area
- Ecologically and Biologically Significant Areas

National and Provincial Parks

- Nova Scotia Parks & Protected Areas
- National Parks (Parks Canada)

Canada Lands Division

- Sections
- Grid

 These are active links.

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WEA Spatial Data Viewer: User Guide

Widgets

Widgets are used in the WEA Spatial Data viewer to assist the user in interacting and viewing data within the viewer. The available widgets are in two locations- the toolbar on the top right of the screen, and by opening the tab on the middle right side of the screen. In addition to the widgets, on the left side of the screen there is a layer and legend list.

Legend

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Legend

On the bottom third of the left side of the screen contains the legend list. The legend contains the symbols for the layers in the map. The legend is dynamic, it only shows the symbols for layers that are currently turned on in the viewer.

Legend

Governments Designated Wind Energy Area



Contour

Contour Color

— 120m+

— 60m - 120m

— 0m - 60m

Distance From Shore

20km Distance From Shore



25km Distance From Shore



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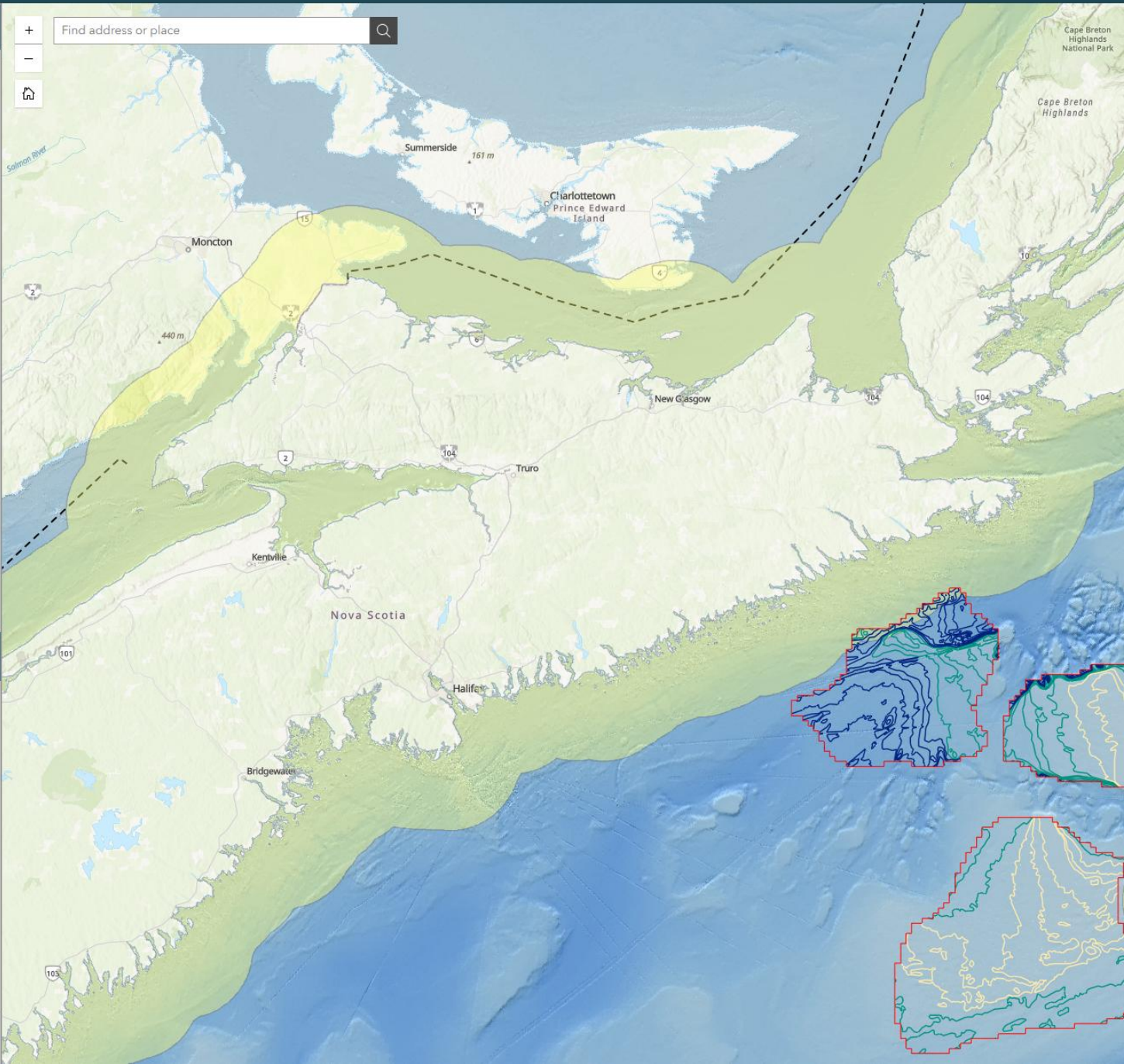
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Distance From Shore

25km Distance From Shore



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Bookmarks

- Sable Island Bank
- French Bank
- Middle Bank
- Sydney Bight

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Title

ArcGIS Web Map

File format

pdf

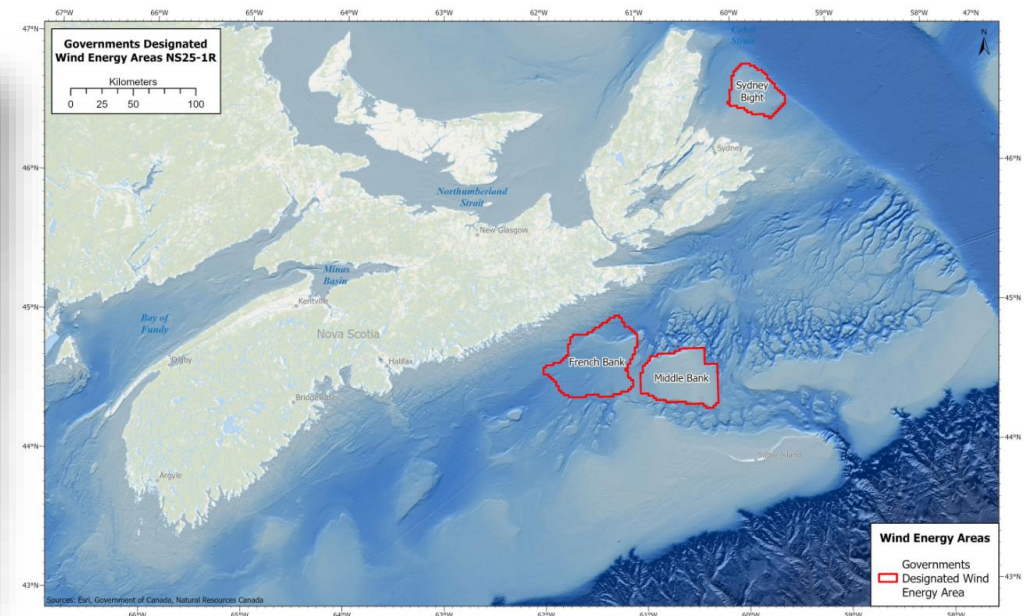
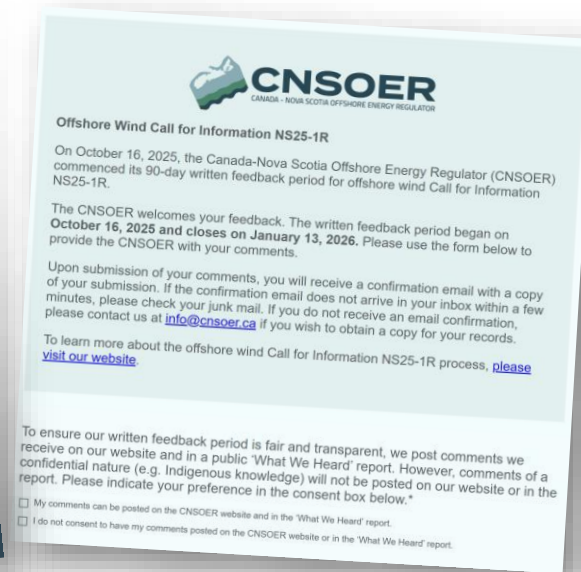
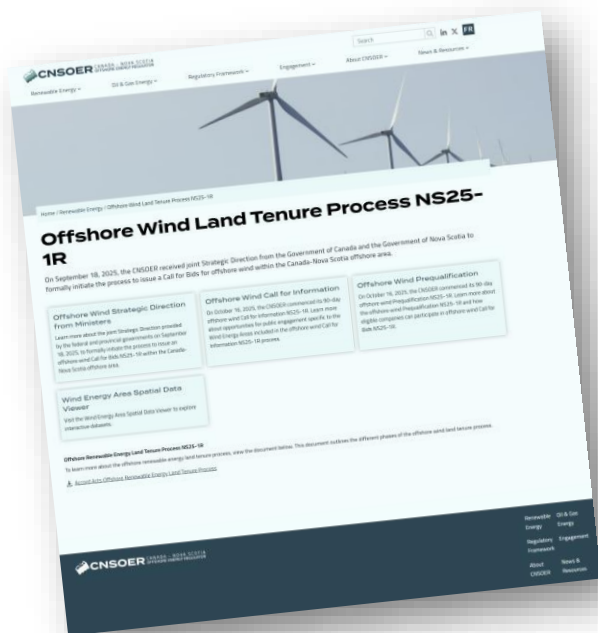
Advanced

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Call for Information NS25-1R

After the offshore wind Call for Information NS25-1R closes on January 13, 2026, all feedback collected through public written comments, the virtual public information webinar, and nominations will be reviewed prior to the CNSOER making offshore renewable energy recommendations.



Offshore Wind Land Tenure Process

Next Steps

- The CNSOER will review and assess all information received
 - Nominations
 - Feedback
 - Prequalification applications
- Offshore Renewable Energy Recommendation
 - Offshore wind Call for Bids and the terms and conditions of the Submerged Land Licence
 - Subject to Ministers review and approval

Offshore Wind Land Tenure Process

Next Steps

- Offshore Wind Call for Bids
- Review bids from prequalified companies
- Offshore Renewable Energy Recommendation
 - To issue Submerged Land Licences to the successful bidders
 - Subject to Ministers review and approval
- Issue Submerged Land Licences

Regulating Offshore Activities

- Administer the land tenure processes through our Calls for Bids processes
- Ensure regulatory requirements are met before granting an authorization and before offshore activities commence
- Implement effective monitoring programs
- Ensure compliance with legislated requirements
- Work activities are completed in a safe and environmentally responsible manner



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