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THE VIEW FROM ATLANTIC AVENUE

March 10, 2022: The Governor's Energy Office (GEO) is about to release draft recommendations from the four working groups that have been meeting for several months as part of an effort to develop a Roadmap for Offshore Wind Energy Development. The overall project that began in the late summer of 2021 is funded by the US Economic Development Agency (EDA) as a two-year planning effort to take a comprehensive look at a wide range of factors that need to be understood if, and when industrial-scale offshore wind energy turbines are installed.

I serve on the Fisheries Working Group, which includes fishing industry members, NGOs and state agency representatives. The other three working groups are Energy Markets and Strategies; Environment and Wildlife; and Supply Chain, Workforce, Ports and Marine Transportation. The draft recommendations will be released later in March and the GEO will be accepting comments over the next few months as they finalize them and package them into the Roadmap.

On Friday, March 25 (12:30-1:30pm), I will host a panel discussion on our monthly "Lunch and Learn" webinar series with representatives from each of the four working groups to present the draft recommendations. We will reserve time for viewers to share comments at the end of the webinar. As always, if you can't attend the live session, all talks are recorded and archived on our website. We'll be promoting this session and providing Zoom details over the next few weeks. Check our website if you need more information.

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FISHERIES LOG

Prices to Harvesters in Stonington

Scallops: \$18/lb.

Lobsters (run): \$12.55/lb.

Bait (frzn. redfish heads): \$37.50/50lbs.

Fuel (diesel): \$3.85/gal.

Oceanographic Buoy I-01

44°6'10"N 68°6'44"W - Frenchboro

Sea Surface Temperature: Not Available

Bottom Temperature: 40.7°F (avg. for this date: 38.4°F)

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