

## REGIONAL ASSESSMENT OF OFFSHORE WIND DEVELOPMENT IN NOVA SCOTIA – UPDATE

March 2024

The Committee focused on drafting the Interim Report in March. The Report was submitted to Ministers on March 22, 2024, and posted to the Registry on March 25, 2024. The Committee and Secretariat have begun planning for the spring engagement program and initiating meetings for follow-up conversations on the results of the Interim Report.

The [Interim Report](#) and Plain Language Summaries ([French](#) and [English](#)) are available on the [Regional Assessment Registry page](#). The Committee would like to thank all those who contributed on the work that went into the report. Although there will not be a formal review period, the Committee welcomes any feedback via the Regional Assessment email ([OffshoreWindNS-EolienneExtracotiereNE@iaac-aeic.gc.ca](mailto:OffshoreWindNS-EolienneExtracotiereNE@iaac-aeic.gc.ca)) and/or the [public commenting tool](#).

The Committee will be commencing the spring engagement program which will include in-person open house sessions and on-one-one meetings through April, May and June. A schedule of the open house sessions will be posted to the Registry under *Information Sessions* (<https://www.iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/proj/83514/session>). Invitations will be sent via email to the distribution list as well as posted to the [Regional Assessment Registry page](#) and social media. If you would like to be added to the distribution list, please send your contact information to the Regional Assessment email ([OffshoreWindNS-EolienneExtracotiereNE@iaac-aeic.gc.ca](mailto:OffshoreWindNS-EolienneExtracotiereNE@iaac-aeic.gc.ca)).

The Committee appreciates those who filled out the online Feedback Form. The link closed on March 31, 2024, and a total of 88 responses were received. The feedback received from this survey will be used to help inform the Committee's analyses and future engagement events. A summary of the results of the Feedback Form will be posted on the [Regional Assessment Registry page](#) in April.

The Committee continued to meet regularly with the Secretariat in March with a focus on the Interim Report and planning of the next phase of engagement which will include meetings with Advisory Groups, various participants, and open house sessions. A Summary of Regional Assessment Committee Meetings is updated and posted to the [Regional Assessment Registry page](#).

A summary of participant meetings will be added to the tracking tables within the relevant Participation Plans. These Plans include the [Public and Stakeholder Participation Plan](#), [Fisheries Participation Plan](#), and [Indigenous Participation Plan](#). Updated versions of these Plans have been posted to the [Regional Assessment Registry page](#).

All information about the Regional Assessment is available on the [Regional Assessment Registry page](#). The Committee invites all Indigenous peoples, organizations, and any other person or group with information and interests related to the Regional Assessment, and who wishes to participate in it, to reach out via the Regional Assessment email ([OffshoreWindNS-EolienneExtracotiereNE@iaac-aeic.gc.ca](mailto:OffshoreWindNS-EolienneExtracotiereNE@iaac-aeic.gc.ca)) and/or the [public commenting tool](#) with any questions or comments. If you would like your name and contact added to the distribution list, please send your contact information to the Regional Assessment email ([OffshoreWindNS-EolienneExtracotiereNE@iaac-aeic.gc.ca](mailto:OffshoreWindNS-EolienneExtracotiereNE@iaac-aeic.gc.ca)).