

Guide to the Cape Wind EIS: Excerpts of Interest to Fishermen

The Final EIS for Cape Wind can be found at

<http://www.mms.gov/offshore/AlternativeEnergy/PDFs/FEIS/Cape%20Wind%20Energy%20Project%20FEIS.pdf>.

It is an 800-page PDF and may take a while to download.

Under Section 4.0, Description of the Affected Environment:

Biological Resources: Shellfish: section 4.2.5.4, page 4-70, or page 212 of PDF

Biological Resources: Fish and Fisheries: section 4.2.7, page 4-86, or page 228 of PDF

This section includes the Massachusetts Fishermen's Partnership economic impact study and other surveys of fishermen and fishing activities.

Biological Resources: Essential Fish Habitat: section 4.2.8, page 4-105, or page 247 of PDF

Socioeconomic Resources: Recreation and Tourism: Recreational Fishing: section 4.3.6.6, page 4-171, or page 313 of PDF

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Socioeconomic Resources: Competing Uses in the Vicinity of the Proposed Action: section 5.3.3.7, page 5-248, or page 578 of PDF

Navigation and Transportation: Port Facilities: section 5.3.4.3, page 5-256, or page 586 of PDF

This section includes discussion of recreational boating, commercial fishing, search and rescue, and the independent impact assessment conducted by the USCG. It also summarizes the radar study conducted by the USCG.

Navigation and Transportation: Communications: section 5.3.4.4, page 5-260, or page 590 of PDF

This section includes discussion of VHF, cellular communication, GPS, and LORAN.

Under Section 9.0, Monitoring and Mitigation:

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Appendices:

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This includes the entire [USCG radar study](#).