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To: Key Municipal Officials

From: Neal Goldberg, Legislative Analyst

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Re: MMA's Offshore Wind Advisory Committee

Maine Municipal Association is assembling an internal Offshore Wind Advisory Committee to enhance its representation in the state's ongoing offshore wind (OSW) discussion. Since the budding OSW industry is expected to impact every corner of the state, all interested municipalities and tribal nations are invited to participate.

MMA's internal advisory committee would serve a two-fold purpose: (1) provide MMA with perspectives to bring to the state's Roadmap process, and (2) establish MMA's position on the Roadmap's final policy recommendations.

If you, or another municipal official from your community, would like to help steer the direction of the Maine's OSW Roadmap then consider joining MMA's advisory committee.

Since OSW is going to touch on numerous policy issues and industry sectors a well-rounded municipal perspective is desired. For example, OSW development will influence local and regional energy markets, port and shoreside infrastructure, socioeconomics, manufacturing and supply chains, workforce development, marine resources, and ocean and environmental compatibility.

A two-page high-level overview of OSW in Maine can be found [here](#). The document is by no means comprehensive of the entire discussion but adequate to generate initial questions, concerns, or comments.

To express your interest in participating please respond to Neal Goldberg, at ngoldberg@memun.org, or 207-623-8428 x2208, by the end of day on October 21, 2021. From there interested municipalities will be receive further information about the advisory committee's first virtual meeting.