

OFFSHORE WIND POWER IN RHODE ISLAND

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GOVERNOR CARCIERI'S WIND AGENDA

Objective

Provide enough wind generation to supply **15%** of Rhode Island's native demand from wind powered generation in Rhode Island, for Rhode Island consumers.



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RIWINDS

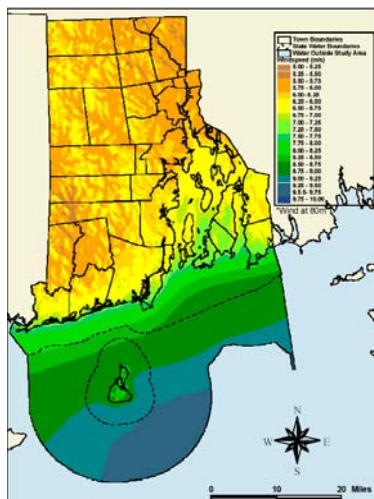
- Identify all technically feasible sites
- Cull out sites with permitting problems
- Force-rank remaining sites on production cost

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Rhode Island has a good wind regime



- Little on-shore potential
- Good coastal potential
- Best potential offshore

The good news...

RI capable of more than five times the RIWINDS goal

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RIE1 Approach

Parallel tracks for permitting and development



Expedited Permitting

Ocean SAMP



Partnership with Developer

Design/Build/Finance/Operate Contractor Selection

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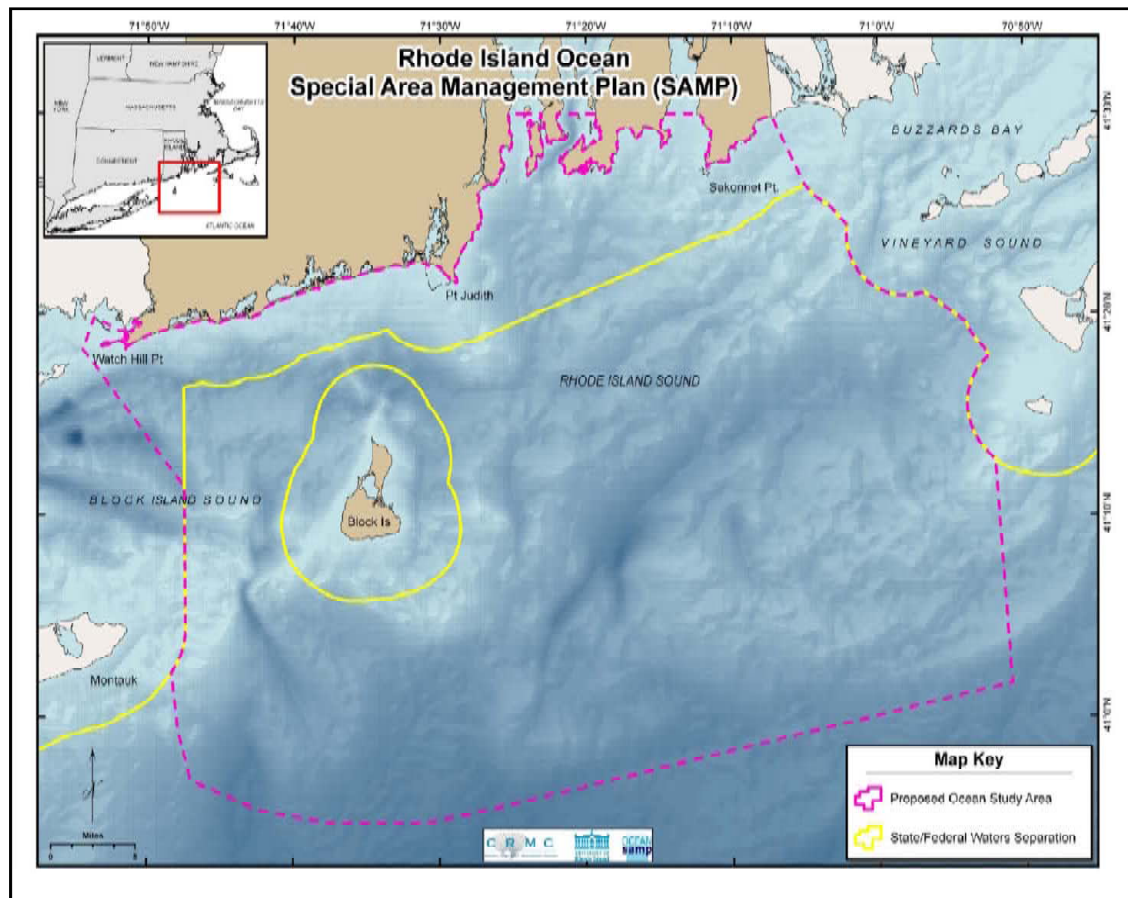
RIE1 Status

- **RFP**
 - **Responses received May 30**
 - **Deepwater Wind selected**
 - **Moving forward with development effort**

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Special Area Management Plan

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RIE1 Status

Special Area Management Plan

- Parallel process with developer selection
- Performed in conjunction with Federal partners
- Will establish nearly “pad-ready” sites
- Site list to be available August
- Regulations 12 months afterward

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