## TOP FIVE THINGS TO KNOW

# OceanReports

Want to know what's going on in our ocean? Use this data-rich tool, OceanReports, to generate a custom report for the area of your choosing. Applications include conservation, ocean planning, and industry development. This tool is intended to save public dollars, cut industry costs, reduce permitting timelines, and support better management of U.S. ocean space.



1. **Informs ocean activities.** Ocean projects require synthesis of big data in a meaningful way for effective project planning and permitting. This tool provides critical information needed for both of these tasks.

2. **It's the big picture.** The tool draws from over 100 data layers from more than 20 federal and state data sources. The most common information includes locations and data for offshore energy, habitats, regulatory areas, transportation, aquaculture, and other ocean industry planning information.



3. **Reduces ocean use conflicts.** Understanding location conditions and knowing who is using the ocean space, and in what ways, is critical. People can easily get the important information they need early in the planning process.

4. **Easy to use.** Simply draw a box around the area of interest to generate a custom report that can be printed, shared, or saved for later use. OceanReports is also a great way to communicate information about a project.

5. **Diverse customer base.** Users include ocean industry consultants, marine planners, physical scientists, policy analysts, permitting agencies, educators, and the public.



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