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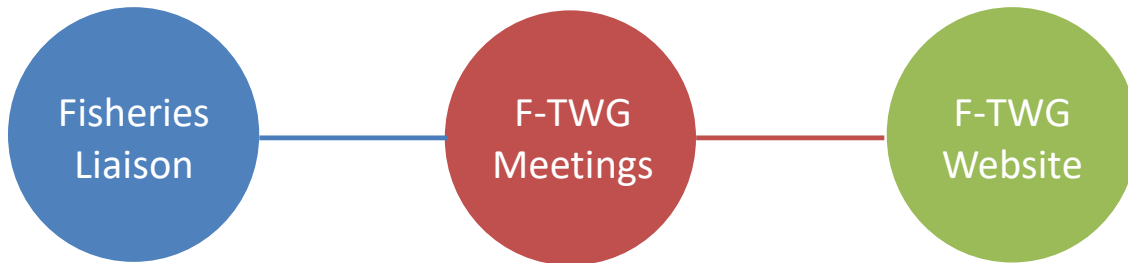
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Communications

November 2, 2018

Strategies to Improve Communication

- One of the main objectives of the F-TWG is to **enhance communication and coordination** between the fishing community and offshore wind industry
- Building off feedback received during the Master Plan
- Communication tools:



F-TWG Website

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- <https://nyfisheriestwg.ene.com/>
- Goal is to be a resource for the F-TWG and others interested in offshore wind and fisheries
- Compiles related resources
 - BMP documents
 - Recent comment letters
 - F-TWG meeting summaries
 - Other resources- links to agency websites, survey websites, data portals, etc.
- Public Feedback Forum
- Announcements & Events

New York State Fisheries Technical Working Group

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Announcements and Events

Upcoming Events:

November 2, 2018 - F-TWG meeting, New York, New York.

November 13-14, 2018 - NYSERDA State of the Science on Wildlife and Offshore Wind Energy Development workshop, Woodbury, NY.

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This website is intended to provide general information about the goals and status of the New York State Fisheries Technical Working Group. Additionally, it will offer access to resources related to offshore wind and fisheries and provide an avenue to provide comments on related issues.

What is the Fisheries Technical Working Group (F-TWG)?

The Fisheries Technical Working Group (F-TWG) is a group of commercial and recreational fisheries representatives and offshore wind energy developers who provide guidance and advice on how to responsibly implement New York State's efforts to advance offshore wind energy development. State and federal fisheries managers also are engaged in this group to provide technical experience and assist with coordination. Recognizing the complexity of the fishing industry in the New York Bight, F-TWG members come from a regional geography, with fishing community representatives from New England and the Mid-Atlantic.

F-TWG Mission

The mission of the F-TWG is to provide guidance to help steer New York State's efforts to advance offshore wind energy development in an environmentally responsible way. New York State has established the goal of 2,400 MW of installed offshore wind energy capacity by 2030. The F-TWG is intended to assist in the development of this offshore wind energy in a way that protects the state's and region's valuable fisheries and fishing communities.

F-TWG Objectives

- **Enhance communication and coordination** between the fishing community and offshore wind industry developers to encourage a two-way flow of information.
- **Disseminate information** regarding existing data, research, and information sources to fishing communities and the offshore wind energy industry.
- **Support scientific and technical research** to address issues related to offshore wind energy project planning, siting, construction, operation, monitoring, or related topics using F-TWG feedback to support research priorities and project scoping.

F-TWG Framework

The F-TWG Framework is currently in review in draft form. Please check back in in fall 2018.

The Commercial and Recreational Fishing Technical Working Group (F-TWG) is an outreach and collaboration effort of New York State Energy Research and Development Authority and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, with the maritime fishing community and offshore wind energy developers.

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F-TWG Website

Website can be updated or modified as needed

Are there other resource the group would like added to the site?

- Additional documents
- New pages- i.e. developer updates

Ideas for other ways to improve the usefulness of the site?

Discussion- Communication Strategies

Strategies to Improve Communication

- What else can the State and the F-TWG do to improve communication?
- Strategies to balance email overload & meeting fatigue but keep communication open?
- How to balance transparency and privacy (i.e. sharing F-TWG roster, contact reports, meeting summaries, etc.)?

