



Press Release: “Close to the Wind” Summit to Convene at the Hyport Conference Center in Hyannis, Massachusetts

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The “**Close to the Wind**” Summit, a gathering to bring together concerned voices to discuss the technology, wisdom and risks of offshore wind development. Guest speakers will discuss offshore wind power development, interconnection and better approaches to the transition to renewable energy. The conference will take place on **Saturday, January 27, 2024**, at the **Hyport Conference Center, 35 Scudder Ave., Hyannis, Mass.**

Organized by the group Save Greater Dowses Beach, East Coast activists, energy and environmental experts will discuss offshore wind energy construction, transmission and its onshore impacts. The conference will focus attention on less harmful and costly ways to develop offshore wind energy while minimizing the damage and disruption to residents and businesses that operate offshore and onshore.

Event Highlights:

- 1. Speakers:** Local and regional thought leaders from the fields of renewable energy, commercial fishing and community activism will deliver inspiring addresses. Speakers to include:
Lisa Quattrocki Knight, Cofounder and President, Green Oceans <https://green-oceans.org/>
Jerry Leeman – New England Fishermen’s Stewardship Assoc. <https://www.nefishermen.org/>
Val Oliver and Amy DiSibio, ACK for Whales <https://ack4whales.org/>
David Buzanoski, President, Falmouth Heights Maravista Neighborhood Assoc. <https://fhmna.org/>
Barnstable Speaks <http://barnstablespeaks.com/>
Joe Bourne, Protect Sandbridge Beach <https://www.protectsandbridgebeach.org/>
Susanne Conley and Adam Mirick, Save Greater Dowses Beach <https://savedowses.org/>
- 2. Q&A:** Attendees will have ample opportunity to ask questions and express their own viewpoints on offshore wind development and its impacts.

Registration and Details:

- **Date:** Saturday, January 27, 2024
- **Time:** 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
- **Location:** Hyport Conference Center, 35 Scudder Avenue, Barnstable, Massachusetts
- **Registration:** Reserve your place by emailing saveourbeach22@gmail.com
- **Donation:** \$20 at the door (checks preferred)

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