

To the DECC SouthCoastDmap

Denmark thanks for the consultation on the South Coast Designated Maritime Area Plan for Offshore Renewable Energy and wants to participate in the further environmental assessment process.

The notification has been sent for consultation to several Danish authorities and interest organizations and has been published on the Danish Environmental Protection Agency's website.

#### Authorities

- The Environmental Protection Agency; the units: Species and Nature Conservation :  
*The Danish Environmental Protection Agency's unit for Species and Nature Conservation has reviewed the submitted draft of the South Coast Designated Maritime Area Plan for Offshore Renewable Energy (SC-DMAP) and has the following comments. This is also an indication that Species and Nature Conservation wants to follow the project further in the process of environmental assessment.*

*It is first of all noted that a massive expansion of offshore wind from several nations is planned in Europe. Any new project should therefore include other planned projects, across territorial waters in an assessment of the overall effects on nature and the environment.*

*In this connection Species and Nature Conservation must highlight the longitudinal migration routes for birds (i.e. migration in east-west directions) where birds will be able to migrate through the Celtic Sea or use it as a resting place. We therefore recommend that thorough studies be carried out with a view to elucidating these topics, which include both the effect of this project and the overall impact from other projects.*

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Best regards

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