

# The Danish Energy Agency invites to a supplementary hearing regarding Hesselø Offshore Wind Farm

Supplementary 5-weeks public hearing on the sea-based part of the strategic environmental assessment (SEA) of the plan for Hesselø Offshore Wind Farm (OWF).

The signatory parties of the <u>Climate Agreement on green electricity and heat of 25 June 2022</u> have decided to move Hesselø Offshore Wind Farm to a more southern location (light-green area in the above figure).

The Danish Energy Agency therefore invites the public, companies, authorities and other interested in the coming Hesselø OWF to submit ideas for the sea-

based part of the strategic environmental assessment (SEA) of the plan for the revised southern location of Hesselø OWF.

The land-based part of the Hesselø OWF (both SEA and environmental impact assessment (EIA)) is unchanged, and is therefore not a part of this hearing due to its earlier public process in February-March 2021.

The public hearing of the revised Hesselø OWF is an early public consultation in the scoping phase, which runs from the 10 October to 14 November 2022.

Read relevant hearing material, information on how to submit inputs to the hearing etc. (Link in danish).

Based on the ideas and inputs received during the consultation, the Danish Energy Agency will decide what topics and environmental impacts to be included in the sea-based part of the SEA for the revised southern location of Hesselø OWF.

## The $2^{nd}$ public hearing will be conducted in the first part of 2024

The results of the environmental assessment should be published and subject to a public consultation in the first half of 2024. The Danish Environmental Protection Agency expects mid-2024 to issue the EIA-permit (§ 25 of the Danish Environmental Assessment Act) for the land-based part of the project, provided that the EIA-process allows the project to be carried out.

The EIA of the sea-based part of the project is expected to be carried out in 2025-2026 when the winner of the tender for Hesselø Offshore Wind Farm has been found: the scoping phase is expected to be in 2025 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> public consultation on the EIA report is expected to be in 2026. Later in 2026, the Danish Energy Agency expects to issue the construction license (EIA-permit) for Hesselø Offshore Wind Farm, provided that the EIA-process allows the project to be carried out.

#### **Facts**

- Hesselø Offshore Wind Farm will have an installed capacity of 800 –
   1.200 MW.
- Deadline for full commissioning of the wind farm is by the end of 2029.
- The turbines will be located in Hesselø Bay in the Kattegat at a distance of approximately 30 km from Zealand, 30 km from Anholt and 35 km from Djursland.
- Offshore export cables will run to the landfall at Gilbjerg Hoved in North

Zealand. Near Pårup, a new high voltage power station will potentially be constructed. From the station, the electricity will be exported through onshore cables towards the existing high voltage power station Hovegaard north of Ballerup. This station will be extended.

#### **Further information**

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