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TO: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources
Members and Staff, Committee on Natural Resources

FROM: The Honorable Alan Lowenthal, Chair

SUBJECT: Remote EMR Legislative Hearing – May 13, 2021

On **Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. (EDT)**, the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources will host a virtual, fully remote legislative hearing titled, “*Protecting Coastal Communities and Ocean Resources from Offshore Drilling*,” including the following bills and other related measures.

- [H.R. 570](#) (Rep. Donald McEachin) To require operators of offshore oil and gas facilities to report failures of critical systems to the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes. *Offshore Accountability Act*
- [H.R. 2643](#) (Rep. Julia Brownley) To require the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement to further develop, finalize, and implement updated regulations for offshore oil and gas pipelines to address long-standing limitations regarding its ability to ensure active pipeline integrity and address safety and environmental risks associated with decommissioning, and for other purposes. *Offshore Pipeline Safety Act*
- [H.R. 2836](#) (Rep. Kathy Castor) To amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to prohibit oil and gas preleasing, leasing, and related activities in certain areas of the Outer Continental Shelf off the coast of Florida, and for other purposes. *Florida Coastal Protection Act*
- **H.R. ___** (Rep. Frank Pallone) To amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the Outer Continental Shelf in the Mid-Atlantic, South Atlantic, North Atlantic, and Straits of Florida planning areas. *COAST Anti-Drilling Act*
- **H.R. ___** (Rep. Mike Levin) To amend the Outer Continental Shelf Land Act to prohibit oil and gas leasing in the Southern California planning area. *American Coasts and Oceans Protection Act*
- **H.R. ___** (Rep. Jared Huffman) To amend the Other Continental Shelf Lands Act to prohibit oil and gas leasing in certain areas of the Outer Continental Shelf. *North Pacific Ocean Protection Act*

The hearing will take place on the Cisco WebEx platform and will be livestreamed on the Committee’s [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) pages. *Witnesses are by invitation only.*

All Members are invited to participate virtually and, if interested, should send an **RSVP by Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. (EDT)** to Sarina Weiss at Sarina.Weiss@mail.house.gov.

For hearing materials and schedules, please visit U.S. House of Representatives, Committee Repository at <http://docs.house.gov/>. Member submissions for the hearing record may be submitted through the Committee's electronic repository at HNRCDocs@mail.house.gov. If you have any questions or if you need further information, please contact Sarina Weiss, Policy Aide, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, at Sarina.Weiss@mail.house.gov.