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TODAY: McGuire to host Hearing on Potential Impacts of Offshore Wind Energy on California's Fisheries and Wildlife

Hearing today in Humboldt County will Include Testimony from Fisheries and Environmental Organizations, along with State and Federal Agency and Industry Experts

Humboldt County, CA – North Coast Senator Mike McGuire, Chair of the Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture (JCFA) is hosting a hearing <u>today – Friday, May 3</u>, to discuss the potential impacts on California's fisheries and wildlife from offshore wind energy development.

The hearing, **"California's Fisheries and Wildlife: Can they co-exist with Offshore Wind Energy Development?"** will be held <u>Friday, May 3, 2019 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.</u>, at the Humboldt Bay Aquatic Center, Room 203, in Eureka, California.

The public is encouraged to attend. The hearing will include a public comment period and will be livestreamed at <u>www.senate.ca.gov</u>.

Today's hearing will provide the public an opportunity to learn more about California's burgeoning offshore wind energy industry from agency and industry leading experts. The JCFA will also hear testimony from environmental and fisheries leaders about their perspectives and concerns. The presenters will emphasize the need to incorporate fish and wildlife needs during the development process.

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