

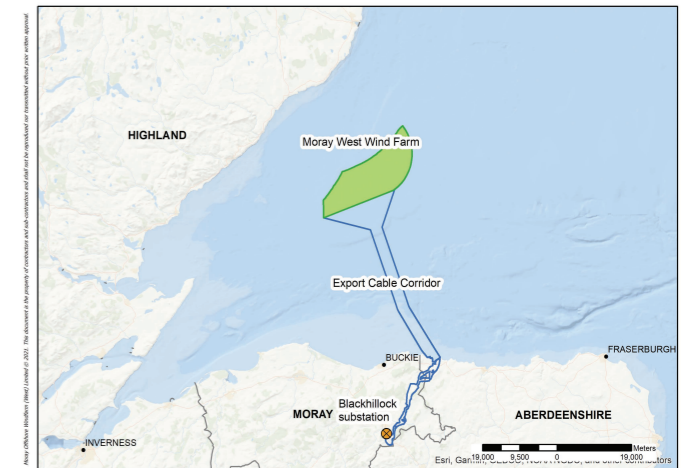
# Moray West Offshore Wind Farm

Summer 2022

Moray West Offshore Wind Farm is a project being developed by Ocean Winds, who have majority interest in the neighbouring Moray East project.




Having commenced close consultation with the community in 2018, all offshore and onshore consents are in place, and construction of the project is now underway.

Moray West will deliver multiple positive socio-economic impacts in the local community as well as a secure, reliable source of clean energy as an important step in combating climate change and achieving net-zero emissions.



## Keep in touch

Moray West is committed to close and continued engagement with the local community as construction of the wind farm gets underway. Please keep in touch, and send us your queries and comments.

-  You can view our plans in detail at our website: [www.moraywest.com](http://www.moraywest.com)
-  If you have any issues or questions during the onshore construction works, our inquiry line is in operation 24/7 at 01343 250010 and our operatives will direct your query to the appropriate place.
-  Any other questions or inquiries about the project can be sent to [info@moraywest.co.uk](mailto:info@moraywest.co.uk) or our Stakeholder Manager Roger McMichael at [roger.mcmichael@oceanwinds.com](mailto:roger.mcmichael@oceanwinds.com) or 07717 367 150.



60 to 65  
wind turbines



Capable of providing 30%  
of Scotland's electricity



Contributing to Scotland's progress  
to meet legally-binding targets for  
net zero emissions by 2045



Up to 640,000  
homes powered



~60 new, direct high-quality local  
jobs at the new Buckie operations  
base



Supporting investment  
in UK supply chain,  
including local ports

# Delivering Moray West

The Moray West project consists of:

## Offshore

- › 60 - 65 wind turbines
- › A total generating capacity of ~ 860MW
- › Fixed 'monopile' seabed foundations
- › Two offshore substation platforms within the wind farm array
- › Inter-array cables joining the wind turbines to the two offshore substation platforms
- › Two offshore export cables connecting the offshore substation platforms with the landfall Transition Joint Bays.

## Onshore

- › Landfall Transition Joint Bays connecting the two offshore cables to the onshore cables above Broad Craig, which is between Sandend Beach and Redhythe Point
- › A new onshore substation at Whitehillock
- › Two onshore export cable circuits from the landfall Transition Joint Bays to the onshore substation at Whitehillock
- › Onshore underground cabling between Whitehillock substation and Blackhillock substation for connection to the national electricity transmission system.

## Delivering the project

**February 2022** – Onshore works commence to construct a new substation at Whitehillock and associated infrastructure to connect the power generated offshore to the National Grid.

**July 2022** – UK Government Contracts for Difference (CfD) auction concludes, with announcement of winners. Moray West has participated in the auction, and if successful, it will assist us in delivering the project.

**2022** – Final investment decision allowing onshore and offshore projects to enter full construction phase.

**Autumn 2023** – Offshore construction commences, beginning with the installation of the turbine foundations, offshore substations and offshore export cables.

**End 2023** – Onshore construction complete.

**2024** – Offshore wind turbines installed.

**Mid 2024 onwards** – First power generated by Moray West, with the offshore wind farm operational and generating activity thereafter.

# Maximising the benefits of Moray West for all



## Investing and developing within the local community

**Moray West is committed** to supporting the Scottish and UK supply chain and will work in close partnership with local businesses, suppliers and skills providers to ensure that opportunities are realised.

### Local employment opportunities

Ocean Winds is a certified 'Great Place to Work', and we support an annual internship programme and biennial graduate programme.

Moray West's long-term Operations and Maintenance base will be located at Buckie Harbour, supporting close to 60 staff across onshore and offshore roles when the wind farm begins generating power in 2024.

We will be advertising a number of additional job opportunities in the region via Ocean Winds LinkedIn throughout the construction and operational phases of the project.

### Investing in skills development

Moray West is working closely with other offshore sector stakeholders to deliver a 'one stop shop' for Scottish offshore wind skills pathways. Our work will develop programmes to assist learners, job seekers and employers, ensuring there is a strong legacy from the Moray West project.

Working with UHI Moray College, Moray West will establish a local apprenticeship scheme once the wind farm is operational. We are also supporting Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) activity in schools across the region.

Ocean Winds' commitments through the Armed Forces Covenant will ensure the project supports Armed Forces leavers, particularly given the proximity of military bases in Moray.

### Visit Us Online

Visit our website to find out more about the **Moray West** project, how we can benefit the local community, and how we will help to provide green energy for the whole of Scotland.



[www.moraywest.com](http://www.moraywest.com)

### Developing the supply chain

Moray West is committed to developing a new offshore wind supply chain in the north of Scotland which will benefit local suppliers and the surrounding economy, and help to ensure the project is delivered as competitively as possible.

Potential suppliers can register details on our website at [www.moraywest.com/supply-chain/supply-chain-registration](http://www.moraywest.com/supply-chain/supply-chain-registration).

We are also primary sponsors of the DeepWind offshore wind cluster which draws together suppliers, innovators and skills providers. More information is available at [www.offshorewindscotland.org.uk/deepwind-cluster](http://www.offshorewindscotland.org.uk/deepwind-cluster).



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