



Fishermen's Energy Study Shows Support For Offshore Wind Power In New Jersey

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A study released by Fishermen's Energy shows that a majority of residents and visitors of the southern New Jersey shore support an offshore wind project in the area.

The study, titled "Survey of Residents & Visitors in Four Communities Along the Southern New Jersey Shore," was published by Sharon Schulman and Jason Rivera at The William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy, in accordance with methodology utilized by Zogby International.

"Contrasted with a similar poll exactly three years earlier, we see that a huge amount of support has grown from both residents and visitors in support of wind mills three miles off Atlantic City's shore," says Schulman. "The survey is quite explicit in pointing out that not only do residents and tourists not mind having wind turbines off the shore of Atlantic City, but two-thirds of the respondents believe that it will have a positive effect on Atlantic City and the environment."

Support for a wind project three miles off the Atlantic City shore is strong among all subgroups and almost 30 percentage points higher than a similar question asked in 2006, according to the study.

The study goes on to say that most residents do not feel that this project would have a negative impact on Atlantic City and the local environment. In fact, 66% thought it would have a positive impact.

In addition, more than three-quarters of the visitors say it would have no effect on whether or not they would visit the Atlantic City area, and another 19% say that they would be a little or a lot more likely to visit the area.

Fishermen's Energy commissioned Zogby International and The William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy, under the auspices of the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, to develop and administer a survey to discern the public's sentiments in reference to Fishermen's Energy's proposed wind farm project, three miles offshore from Atlantic City.

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