

Utility plans vote on New York offshore wind project

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A New York utility is set to vote later this month on a plan to construct an offshore wind farm off eastern Long Island.

The Long Island Power Authority says the 90-megawatt, 15-turbine wind farm 30 miles east of Montauk would be the largest offshore wind project built to date.

Plans are also underway for a wind farm that would feature as many as 194 turbines in a 127-square-mile section south of Jones Beach. That proposal still faces <u>legal challenges</u>.

LIPA spokesman Sid Nathan says the utility plans to award a contract to Deepwater Wind. Terms have not been announced. Deepwater CEO Jeff Grybowski confirmed the utility's Jan. 25 vote.

Deepwater opened the nation's first <u>offshore wind farm</u> last month near Rhode Island. That project involves five turbines.

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