



# Quarterly Agency Performance Report

**Permitting Council—Executive Director**  
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# Acknowledgments

Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 4370m-7(a)(2), the Executive Director of the Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council (Permitting Council) submits to Congress this quarterly report evaluating agency compliance with the provisions of Title 41 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST-41). This report provides a description of the implementation and adherence of each agency to the coordinated project plan and permitting timetable requirements under 42 U.S.C. § 4370m-2(c) and requirements for agency postings of certain information under 42 U.S.C. § 4370m-2(b)(3) during the third quarter of fiscal year 2025 (April-June 2025).

The Permitting Council is a federal agency charged with making the federal permitting process more efficient by improving the accountability, transparency and predictability of the federal environmental review and authorization process for certain critical infrastructure projects. The Permitting Council comprises the Executive Director, who serves as the Permitting Council Chair, and 15 additional members, including the Deputy Secretary (or equivalent) from 13 federal agencies, the Chair of the Council on Environmental Quality, and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.



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# Quarterly Agency Performance Report

Fiscal Q3 April–June 2025

## 1. Summary of Federal Agency Performance

The following summarizes the FAST-41 covered and transparency project portfolio and federal agency performance and compliance with FAST-41 requirements for the third quarter of fiscal year 2025 (fiscal Q3 2025):

- During this period, there were **40 active covered projects** on the Federal Permitting Dashboard (Dashboard).<sup>1</sup> **Eight new projects** joined the covered project portfolio during fiscal Q3 2025, representing **18 percent growth** in the portfolio compared to the preceding quarter.
- In this quarter, the transparency project portfolio contained 27 projects. **Two were completed** during the quarter.
- At the end of the reporting quarter, of the 29<sup>2</sup> active covered projects that had permitting timetables established, 13 have had no changes to overall project duration, 10 have had extensions of less than a year, and 6 have had extensions of more than a year (see Figure 1).



<sup>1</sup> The Dashboard is hosted and maintained by the Department of Transportation (DOT) and is used as a transparency and compliance tool for many types of infrastructure projects in which the Federal Government is involved. A small percentage of the projects on the Dashboard are FAST-41 covered projects. The Dashboard is accessible at <https://www.permits.performance.gov/projects>.

<sup>2</sup> Alaska LNG, Bluepoint Wind 1, and Pelican Carbon Sequestration Hub did not have permitting timetables established at the beginning of this reporting period.

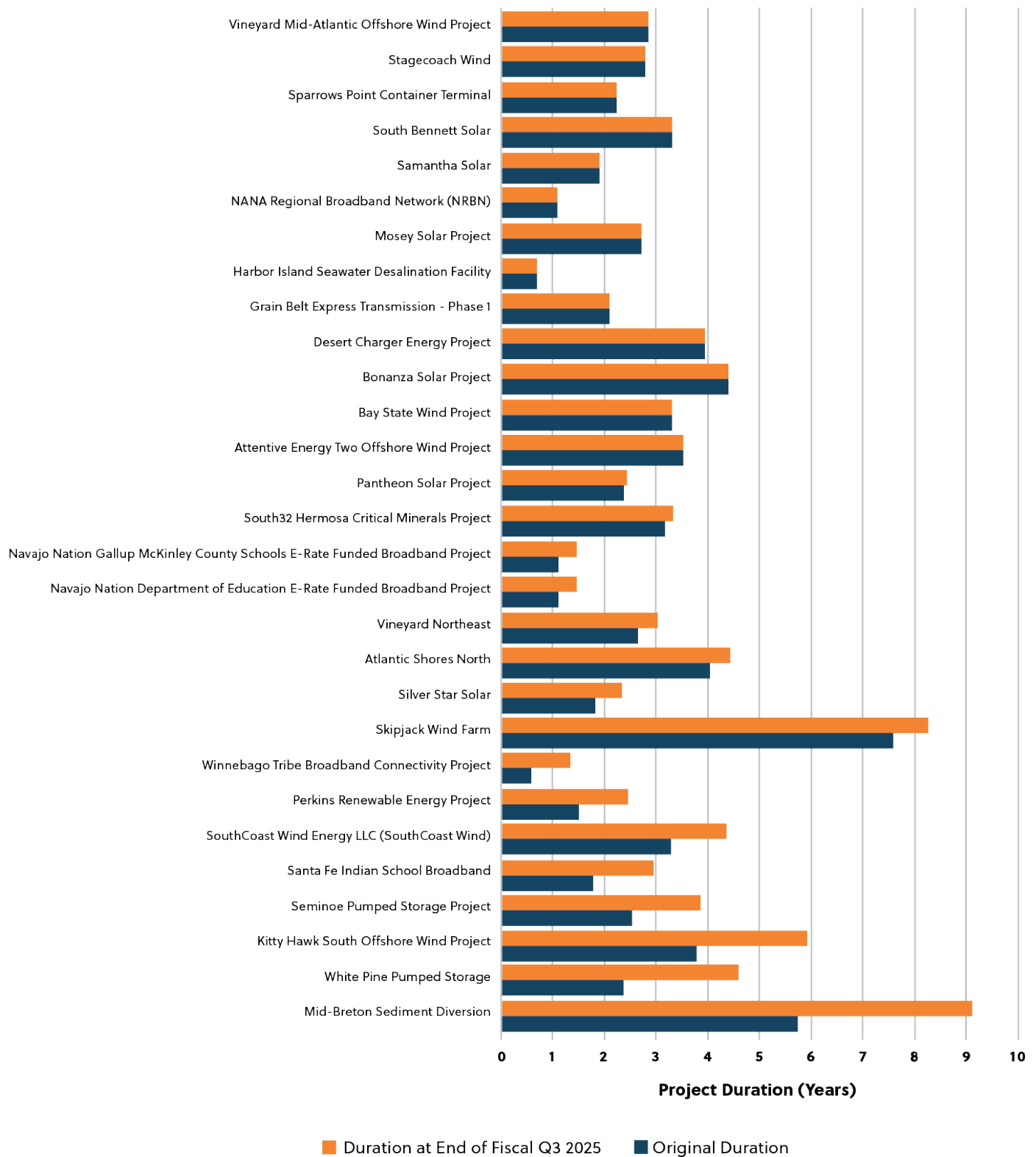


Figure 1: Comparison of covered project originally anticipated schedules to actual schedules at the end of fiscal Q3 2025.



- There were 34 milestones<sup>3</sup> scheduled to be completed across 16 covered projects during this quarter.<sup>4</sup> The following provides a breakdown of these milestones:
  - Agencies completed 7 of the 34 milestones.
  - Agencies extended 23 of the 34 milestones beyond the end of the quarter.
  - The remaining 4 of 34 milestones were associated with a project that was paused during the quarter.
- Agencies submitted five requests to the Executive Director to authorize date modifications that would necessitate extensions of final completion dates by more than 30 days after the originally established final completion date. After review of the circumstances, the Executive Director granted all requests. These requests affected 56 of the total 102 milestones that were modified this quarter, meaning that 46 of the milestone modifications that occurred during this quarter were minor, typically less than 30 days.
- There were three instances in which completion dates were neither completed on time nor modified per the procedures set forth at 42 U.S.C. § 4370m-2(c)(2)(F), resulting in nonconformance. Agencies met requirements to provide explanations for missed completion dates and established alternative completion dates.
- Agencies reviewed and satisfied the requirements for updating coordinated project plans (CPPs) for applicable covered projects on the Dashboard in all cases but one.<sup>5</sup>
- For covered projects, agencies satisfied the requirements to post certain project information to the Permitting Dashboard in all cases but one.<sup>6</sup>

The statutory FAST-41 requirements are explained in detail in the Appendix of this report, and detailed information on agency compliance with these requirements is provided in *Section 4* of this report.

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<sup>3</sup> Each environmental review or authorization on the Dashboard consists of intermediate and final completion dates for Federal agency action referred to as “milestones.”

<sup>4</sup> The 34 milestones include 26 completion dates and 8 alternative completion dates. The remaining 24 projects did not have any milestones scheduled to occur during fiscal Q3 2025 because some of those projects did not have permitting timetables established at the beginning of the reporting period, and some of those milestones are anticipated to occur in the future, beyond the end of the reporting quarter.

<sup>5</sup> See *Section 4.3* of this report for details.

<sup>6</sup> See *Section 4.3* of this report for details.

## 2. Background

FAST-41 requires the Executive Director to submit a Quarterly Agency Performance Report to Congress, which:

*evaluat[es] agency compliance with the provisions of [FAST-41], [and] which shall include a description of the implementation and adherence of each agency to the coordinated project plan and permitting timetable requirements under [42 U.S.C. § 4370m-2(c)].*

Accordingly, this Quarterly Agency Performance Report, which covers fiscal Q3 2025, evaluates agency implementation of FAST-41 requirements.

To assess compliance for this report, the Permitting Council reviewed CPPs. Under FAST-41, lead agencies must complete a CPP within 60 days of adding a project to the Permitting Dashboard. Among other things, a CPP coordinates agency participation in, and completion of, the federal environmental reviews and authorizations required for a project. The project permitting timetable, which is posted and managed on the Dashboard, is a key component of a CPP and includes intermediate and final completion dates<sup>7</sup> for agency actions on environmental reviews or authorizations that are required for the project. The requirements for a CPP and a permitting timetable are discussed in greater detail in the Appendix of this report.

This report provides an overview of:

- The project portfolio;
- Agency implementation of the FAST-41 initiation process, including the requirements for CPPs;
- Agency completion of required CPP quarterly updates;
- Significant permitting timetable changes;
- Agency conformance with permitting timetables;
- Agency postings of required information to the Dashboard.

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<sup>7</sup> The Federal Permitting Dashboard refers to these intermediate and final completion dates as “milestones.”

### 3. FAST-41 Project Portfolio

This section is organized by covered and transparency projects. The focus of this report is agency compliance with FAST-41 provisions related to covered projects, but the report also includes descriptive information regarding transparency projects in the portfolio.

#### 3.1. Covered Projects

In this quarter, the covered project portfolio contained 40 active projects and 2 projects for which all federal environmental reviews and authorizations were paused.<sup>8</sup> Active covered projects are summarized by the lead or facilitating agency in Table 1 and organized by sector in Table 2.

*Table 1: Summary by lead or facilitating agency of active covered projects in fiscal Q3 2025.*

Lead or Facilitating Agency	Number of Projects
Department of Agriculture (USDA)	3
Department of Commerce (DOC)	3
Department of Defense (DOD)	5
Department of Energy (DOE)	2
Department of the Interior (DOI)	22
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)	3
Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>

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<sup>8</sup> Active projects are those that had, at any time in fiscal Q3 2025, a status of “planned” or “in progress.” The Executive Director initially posts a FAST-41 covered project on the Dashboard in “planned” status. The project will remain in planned status until the Executive Director receives from the facilitating/lead agency a permitting timetable and posts the permitting timetable to the Dashboard, at which point the project’s status changes to “in progress.”

Active projects may also be characterized as projects for which, at any time in fiscal Q3 2025, federal environmental reviews and authorizations were not “paused,” “cancelled,” or “completed.” The Executive Director places a FAST-41 covered project in “paused” status if continued maintenance of all actions in the permitting timetable or continued federal action in the environmental review and authorization process for the covered project is impossible, and the project has not been either “cancelled” or “completed.” Beacon Wind Project and Ocean Wind 1 Project were paused for the quarter.



Table 2: Active covered projects in fiscal Q3 2025.

Project	Lead or Facilitating Agency
<b>Broadband (BRD)</b>	
NANA Regional Broadband Network (NRBN) (BRD1)	NTIA
Navajo Nation Department of Education E-Rate Funded Broadband Project (BRD2)	BIA
Navajo Nation Gallup McKinley County Schools E-Rate Funded Broadband Project (BRD3)	BIA
Santa Fe Indian School Broadband (BRD4)	NTIA
Winnebago Tribe Broadband Connectivity Project (BRD5)	NTIA
<b>Carbon Capture (CCS)</b>	
Pelican Carbon Sequestration Hub (CCS1)	DOE
<b>Electricity Transmission (ELT)</b>	
Grain Belt Express Transmission - Phase 1 (ELT1)	DOE
Royal Slope Power Transmission Line Project* (ELT2)	BOR
<b>Energy Storage (STO)</b>	
Seminole Pumped Storage Project (STO1)	FERC
White Pine Pumped Storage (STO2)	FERC
<b>Mining (MNG)</b>	
Castle Mountain Mine Phase 2 Project (MNG1)	BLM
Crownpoint / Church Rock Uranium Project (MNG2)	NRC
Grants Precision ISR Project (MNG3)	NRC
Graphite Creek Project (MNG4)	USACE
Hell's Kitchen Critical Minerals & Power (MNG5)	USACE
La Jara Mesa Project (MNG6)	USFS
South32 Hermosa Critical Minerals Project (MNG7)	USFS
<b>Pipelines (PPL)</b>	
Alaska LNG Project (PPL1)	FERC

\* Royal Slope Power Transmission Line Project was formerly known as Royal Slope Solar Project.

Table 2: Active covered projects in fiscal Q3 2025, continued.

Project	Lead or Facilitating Agency
<b>Ports and Waterways (PWW)</b>	
Sparrows Point Container Terminal (PWW1)	USACE
<b>Renewable or Conventional Energy Production (RCE)</b>	
Atlantic Shores North (RCE1)	BOEM
Attentive Energy Two Offshore Wind Project (RCE2)	BOEM
Bay State Wind Project (RCE3)	BOEM
Bluepoint Wind 1 (RCE4)	BOEM
Bonanza Solar Project (RCE5)	BLM
Desert Charger Energy Project (RCE6)	BLM
Kitty Hawk South Offshore Wind Project (RCE7)	BOEM
Mosey Solar Project (RCE8)	BLM
Pantheon Solar Project (RCE9)	BLM
Perkins Renewable Energy Project (RCE10)	BLM
Samantha Solar (RCE11)	BLM
Silver Star Solar (RCE12)	BLM
Skipjack Wind Farm (RCE13)	BOEM
South Bennett Solar (RCE14)	BLM
SouthCoast Wind Energy LLC (SouthCoast Wind) (RCE15)	BOEM
Stagecoach Wind (RCE16)	BLM
Vineyard Mid-Atlantic Offshore Wind Project (RCE17)	BOEM
Vineyard Northeast (RCE18)	BOEM
<b>Water Resources Projects (WTR)</b>	
Harbor Island Seawater Desalination Facility (WTR1)	USACE
Mid-Breton Sediment Diversion (WTR2)	USACE
Santee Sioux Tribe Water Capacity and Infrastructure Improvements (WTR3)	USDA

Figure 2 shows the location of active covered projects in fiscal Q3 2025. The project labels correspond to those in Table 2.

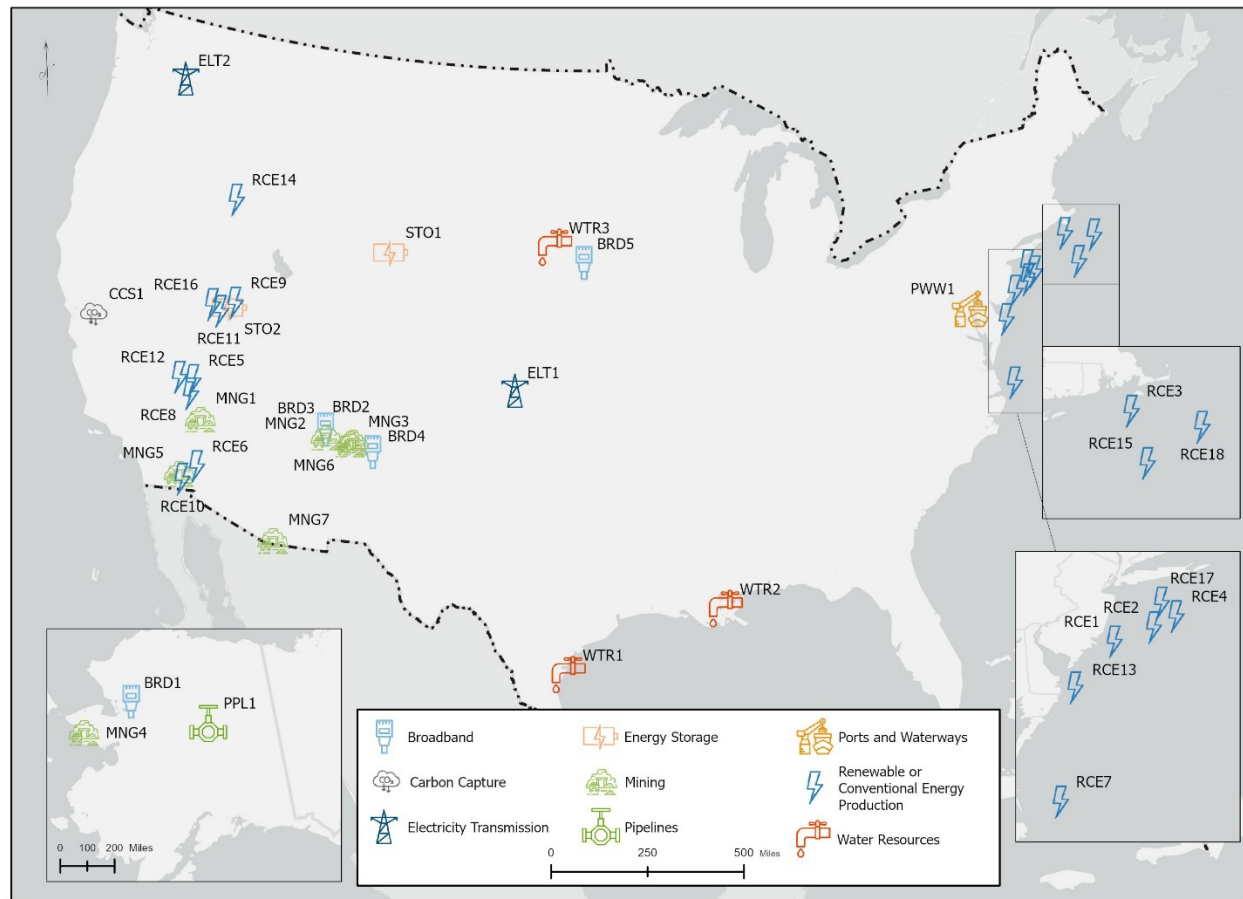


Figure 2: Active covered projects in fiscal Q3 2025.

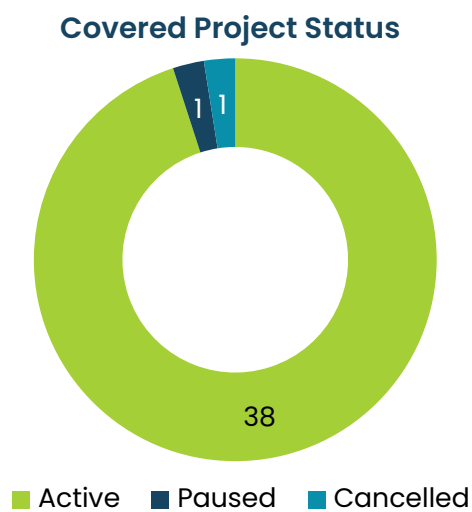
Eight new covered projects joined the portfolio during fiscal Q3 2025:

- [Castle Mountain Mine Phase 2 Project](#)
- [Crownpoint / Church Rock Uranium Project](#)
- [Grants Precision ISR Project](#)
- [Graphite Creek Project](#)
- [Hell's Kitchen Critical Minerals & Power](#)
- [La Jara Mesa Project](#)
- [Royal Slope Power Transmission Line Project](#)
- [Santee Sioux Tribe Water Capacity and Infrastructure Improvements](#)

FAST-41 coverage for [Stagecoach Wind](#) was cancelled due to the project sponsor's decision to withdraw the project from the FAST-41 program.

Atlantic Shores North was paused in May 2025 at the request of the project sponsor in response to the Presidential Memorandum, "[Temporary Withdrawal of All Areas on the Outer Continental Shelf from Offshore Wind Leasing and Review of the Federal Government's Leasing and Permitting Practices for Wind Projects](#),"<sup>9</sup> which impacted agency approvals and is expected to continue to do so. The memorandum directs that agencies shall not issue new permits for offshore wind projects "pending the completion of a comprehensive assessment and review of Federal wind leasing and permitting practices" led by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with a number of agencies.

Figure 3 provides a snapshot of the status of projects as of June 30, 2025, that were active at any point in fiscal Q3 2025. The two projects that were paused for the entire quarter are excluded.



*Figure 3: Snapshot of status, as of June 30, 2025, of each covered project that was active at any point in fiscal Q3 2025.*



<sup>9</sup> See 90 Fed. Reg. 8363.

### 3.2. Transparency Projects

On March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025, the President issued an Executive Order (EO) on “[Immediate Measures to Increase American Mineral Production](#).”<sup>10</sup> The EO directed that the Chair of the National Energy Dominance Council, in consultation with the heads of relevant agencies, submit to the Executive Director mineral production projects to be considered as transparency projects on the Permitting Dashboard.<sup>11</sup> In response, the Executive Director published 28 transparency projects.

Transparency projects are distinct from covered projects and are posted in the interest of transparency. Inclusion on the Dashboard as transparency projects makes the environmental review and authorizations schedules for these projects publicly available, leading to greater accountability and driving a more efficient process. The public nature of the Dashboard enables all stakeholders, from project sponsors and community members to federal agency leaders, to have an up-to-date accounting of where each project stands in the review process. In contrast, covered projects are entitled to assistance from the Permitting Council such as facilitating development of comprehensive permitting timetables and providing active, collaborative management of those timetables.

In this quarter, the transparency project portfolio contained 27<sup>12</sup> mining projects, which are summarized by the lead agency in Table 3 and organized by sector in Table 4.

*Table 3: Summary by lead agency of transparency projects in fiscal Q3 2025.*

Lead Agency	Number of Projects
Department of Agriculture (USDA)	8
Department of Defense (DOD)	3
Department of Energy (DOE)	4
Department of the Interior (DOI)	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>

<sup>10</sup> Exec. Order No. 14241, 90 Fed. Reg. 13673 (March 20, 2025).

<sup>11</sup> *Id.* § 3(b).

<sup>12</sup> One project, La Jara Mesa Project, was originally posted as a transparency project and later obtained FAST-41 coverage. La Jara Mesa Project is included in *Section 3.1* of this report.

Table 4: Transparency projects in fiscal Q3 2025.

Project	Lead or Facilitating Agency
3PL Railroad Valley Exploration Project (MNG1)	BLM
Amelia A&B (MNG2)	USACE
Antler Copper Project (MNG3)	BLM
Aqqaluk Pit Exploration and Expansion (MNG4)	USACE
Becky's Mine Modification (MNG5)	BLM
Bronco Creek Exploration Project* (MNG6)	USFS
Caldwell Canyon Mine Project (MNG7)	BLM
Golden Mile Mine Project (MNG8)	BLM
Grassy Mountain Mine Project (MNG9)	BLM
Greens Creek Surface Exploration (MNG10)	USFS
Kings Mountain Lithium Material Processing Plant† (MNG11)	DOE
Libby Exploration Project (MNG12)	USFS
Liberty Owl (MNG13)	DOE
Lisbon Valley Copper Project (MNG14)	BLM
McDermitt Exploration Project (MNG15)	BLM
Michigan Potash (MNG16)	DOE
NorthMet Project (MNG17)	USACE
Polaris Exploration Project (MNG18)	USFS
Resolution Copper Project (MNG19)	USFS
Roca Honda Project (MNG20)	USFS
Silver Peak Lithium Mine (MNG21)	BLM
South Railroad Project (MNG22)	BLM
South West Arkansas Project (MNG23)	DOE
Stibnite Gold Project (MNG24)	USFS
Stillwater Mine (MNG25)	USFS

\* Bronco Creek Exploration Project was formerly known as BCE Programmatic Exploration Project, and prior to that, as Superior Exploration Program.

† Kings Mountain Lithium Material Processing Plant was formerly known as Kings Mountain Mine Project.



Table 4: Transparency projects in fiscal Q3 2025, continued.

Project	Lead or Facilitating Agency
Tonopah Flats Lithium Project (MNG26)	BLM
Warrior Met Coal Mines (MNG27)	BLM

Figure 4 shows the location of transparency projects in fiscal Q3 2025. The project labels correspond to those in Table 4.

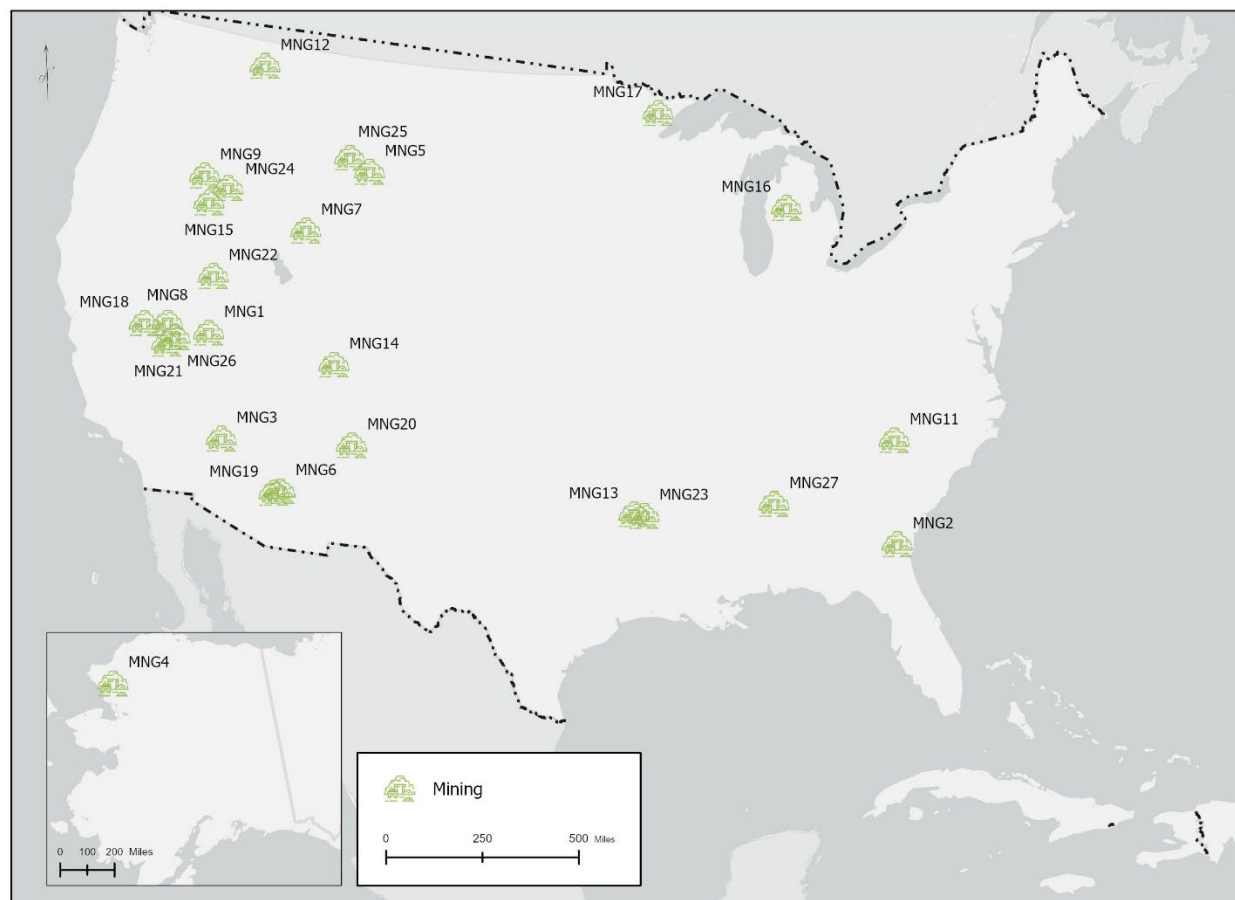
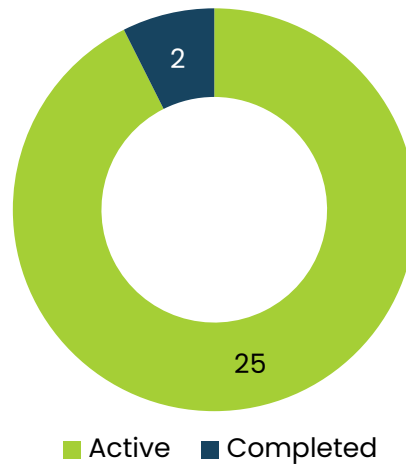


Figure 4: Transparency projects in fiscal Q3 2025.

During this quarter, two projects – [3PL Railroad Valley Exploration Project](#) and [Amelia A&B](#) – completed all remaining federal environmental reviews and authorizations. 3PL Railroad Valley Exploration Project is located in Nevada and involves mineral exploration activities; commodities of interest include lithium, boron, tungsten, sodium, potassium, and phosphate. Amelia A&B is located in Georgia and will excavate sands to extract titanium oxide, zircon, and other minerals.

Figure 5 provides a snapshot of the status of transparency projects as of June 30, 2025.

### Transparency Project Status



*Figure 5: Snapshot of status, as of June 30, 2025, of each transparency project.*

Future quarterly agency performance reports will include information on agency compliance with transparency project provisions of FAST-41.



## 4. Agency Compliance with the Provisions of FAST-41

This section provides an overview of the Executive Director's evaluation of each agency's performance with respect to FAST-41 covered project implementation. The Appendix includes a summary of the statutory requirements assessed throughout this report.

### 4.1. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA-NMFS)

NOAA-NMFS was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for 13 projects during fiscal Q3 2025.<sup>13</sup>

As of the publication of this report, NOAA-NMFS met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

NOAA-NMFS had two completion dates and two alternative completion dates scheduled to occur during the reporting period. These milestones were associated with three active covered projects.<sup>14</sup> Of the four milestones, one was completed, two were extended beyond the end of the quarter, and one was associated with a project that went into paused status, as summarized in Table 5. The milestone extensions, in the context of the relevant project, are discussed immediately below.

***SouthCoast Wind Energy LLC (SouthCoast Wind)***. The two milestones extended for this project were a result of agency implementation of the January 20, 2025 Presidential Memorandum, "Temporary Withdrawal of All Areas on the Outer Continental Shelf from Offshore Wind Leasing and Review of the Federal Government's Leasing and Permitting Practices for Wind Projects."<sup>15</sup> NOAA-NMFS has rescheduled the milestones and will reassess the timing of those milestones, as needed, as the Department of the Interior conducts a comprehensive assessment for wind energy leasing and permitting in compliance with the Executive Order.

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<sup>13</sup> NOAA-NMFS was not lead agency for any projects during the quarter.

<sup>14</sup> The remaining ten projects for which NOAA-NMFS was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations had no NOAA-NMFS milestones scheduled to occur during the quarter.

<sup>15</sup> Presidential Memorandum, 90 Fed. Reg. 8363 (Jan. 20, 2025).

Table 5: NOAA-NMFS's permitting timetable federal agency milestones scheduled to occur in fiscal Q3 2025.

Environmental Review or Authorization	Milestone	Milestone Status at End of Quarter
<b>Atlantic Shores North</b>		
Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) Incidental Take Authorization (ITA)	Publish Notice of Receipt in Federal Register (Letter of Authorization (LOA) Only)	Project went into paused status
<b>SouthCoast Wind Energy LLC (SouthCoast Wind)</b>		
MMPA ITA	ITA decision rendered*	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
MMPA ITA	Publish Final ITA Regulations in Federal Register (LOA Only)*	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
<b>Sparrows Point Container Terminal</b>		
Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), Section 305 Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) Consultation	NOAA Issues any EFH Conservation Recommendations	Completed

\* Denotes an alternative completion date scheduled to occur during the quarter.

In addition to the completed milestone scheduled to occur, NOAA-NMFS also completed four other milestones this quarter for the following projects and actions:

- Alaska LNG Project's MMPA ITA
- Harbor Island Seawater Desalination Facility's Magnuson-Stevens Act, Section 305 EFH Consultation
- Harbor Island Seawater Desalination Facility's Endangered Species Act (ESA) Consultation (NOAA-NMFS)
- Sparrows Point Container Terminal's ESA Consultation (NOAA-NMFS)

## 4.2. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)

NTIA was lead agency for three projects during fiscal Q3 2025.

NTIA was the lead agency for one project—NANA Regional Broadband Network (NRBN)—with a deadline for establishing a CPP, and NTIA established the CPP in a timely manner. For the other two projects for which NTIA was lead agency, the agency reviewed and met its FAST-41 obligation to update the existing CPPs in a timely manner.

NTIA met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

NTIA had no milestones scheduled to occur during the reporting period.

NTIA completed one milestone this quarter for NANA Regional Broadband Network (NRBN)'s Environmental Assessment (EA).<sup>16</sup>

### 4.3. Department of Energy (DOE)

DOE was lead agency for two projects and was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for one additional project during fiscal Q3 2025.

DOE reviewed and met its FAST-41 obligation to update CPPs in a timely manner for one of two applicable projects. For Pelican Carbon Sequestration Hub, the CPP and permitting timetable were due in fiscal Q2 2025. While DOE has provided a CPP, it did not provide a comprehensive timetable within the FAST-41 statutory 60-day timeframe. The Executive Director will work with DOE, in its facilitating agency role, to ensure a comprehensive timetable is developed for the project and compliance attained under FAST-41.

As of the publication of this report, DOE met the requirement to post certain project information for one of two applicable projects. For Pelican Carbon Sequestration Hub, DOE did not publish required information. The Executive Director will work with DOE to attain compliance under FAST-41.

DOE had one completion date scheduled to occur during the reporting period associated with one active covered project.<sup>17</sup> The milestone was completed, as summarized in Table 6.

Table 6: DOE's permitting timetable federal agency milestones scheduled to occur in fiscal Q3 2025.

Environmental Review or Authorization	Milestone	Milestone Status at End of Quarter
<b>Grain Belt Express Transmission – Phase 1</b>		
ESA Consultation (FWS)	FWS determines ESA Consultation Package is Complete – Formal	Completed

### 4.4. Department of Homeland Security, United States Coast Guard (USCG)

USCG was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for one project during fiscal Q3 2025.<sup>18</sup>

USCG met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

USCG had no milestones scheduled to occur during the reporting period.

<sup>16</sup> This milestone was associated with a permitting action added to the Dashboard after the beginning of the quarter, so was not counted as "scheduled to occur" for the reporting period.

<sup>17</sup> The remaining two projects for which DOE was lead or responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations had no DOE milestones scheduled to occur during the quarter.

<sup>18</sup> USCG was not lead agency for any projects during the quarter.

USCG completed one milestone this quarter for the Alaska LNG Project's USCG Bridge Permit.<sup>19</sup>

#### 4.5. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

BIA was lead agency for two projects and was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for two additional projects during fiscal Q3 2025.

BIA reviewed and met its FAST-41 obligation to update CPPs in a timely manner for both applicable projects.

BIA met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

BIA had four completion dates and two alternative completion dates scheduled to occur during the reporting period. These milestones were associated with three active projects.<sup>20</sup> All six milestones were extended beyond the end of the quarter, as summarized in Table 7. The milestones extensions, in the context of the relevant projects, are discussed immediately below.

***Navajo Nation Department of Education E-Rate Funded Broadband Project*** and ***Navajo Nation Gallup McKinley County Schools E-Rate Funded Broadband Project***. BIA requested, and the Executive Director granted, permitting timetable extensions for both projects at the end of the last quarter, as documented in our [fiscal Q2 2025 report](#). BIA's changes to its ESA Consultation (FWS) and Section 106 Review milestones during fiscal Q3 2025 were made to implement the Executive Director's earlier determination.

***Winnebago Tribe Broadband Connectivity Project***. In May 2025, BIA adjusted the permitting timetable for its right-of-way (ROW) authorization because the project sponsor had recently submitted the application package and associated waivers request.

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<sup>19</sup> This milestone was associated with a permitting action added to the Dashboard after the beginning of the quarter, so was not counted as "scheduled to occur" for the reporting period.

<sup>20</sup> The remaining project for which BIA was lead or responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations had no BIA milestones scheduled to occur during the quarter.



Table 7: BIA's permitting timetable federal agency milestones scheduled to occur in fiscal Q3 2025.

Environmental Review or Authorization	Milestone	Milestone Status at End of Quarter
<b>Navajo Nation Department of Education E-Rate Funded Broadband Project</b>		
ESA Consultation (FWS)	FWS determines ESA Consultation Package is Complete – Formal	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
Section 106 Review	Section 106 consultation concluded	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
<b>Navajo Nation Gallup McKinley County Schools E-Rate Funded Broadband Project</b>		
ESA Consultation (FWS)	FWS determines ESA Consultation Package is Complete – Formal	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
Section 106 Review	Section 106 consultation concluded	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
<b>Winnebago Tribe Broadband Connectivity Project</b>		
ROW Authorization (BIA)	Application deemed complete*	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
ROW Authorization (BIA)	Final decision/agency action*	Extended beyond the end of the quarter

\* Denotes an alternative completion date scheduled to occur during the quarter.

#### 4.6. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

BLM was lead agency for 10 projects and was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for 7 additional projects during fiscal Q3 2025.

BLM was the lead agency for one project—Desert Charger Energy Project—with a deadline in the reporting period for establishing a CPP, and BLM established the CPP in a timely manner. BLM reviewed and met its FAST-41 obligation to update CPPs in a timely manner for all nine applicable projects. For Stagecoach Wind, BLM did not review or update the CPP because the project's FAST-41 coverage was cancelled during the quarter.

As of the publication of this report, BLM met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

BLM had 10 completion dates scheduled to occur during the reporting period. These milestones were associated with five active covered projects.<sup>21</sup> Of the 10 completion dates, 2 were completed and 8 were extended beyond the end of the quarter; 3 of those 8 resulted in nonconformance, as summarized in Table 8. The milestones extensions and nonconformance, in the context of the relevant projects, are discussed in detail below.

<sup>21</sup> The remaining 12 projects for which BLM was lead or responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations had no BLM milestones scheduled to occur during the quarter.

**Bonanza Solar.** BLM missed the June 5, 2025 milestone to publish the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), resulting in nonconformance.<sup>22</sup> The BLM internal review and briefing process occurred during a transition period for the incoming Bureau and Department political leadership. As such, the review of the project has required enhanced coordination that has affected the timeline. BLM established an alternative completion date for this milestone of July 25, 2025.

**Pantheon Solar Project.** In March 2025, BLM submitted a request to the Executive Director to extend the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and BLM's ROW Authorization schedules for the project due to a combination of factors attributable to both the project sponsor and agency. The relevant BLM district office requires the project sponsor to submit a Plan of Development prior to developing and issuing a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS for NEPA. After submitting its Plan of Development, the project sponsor considered making modifications and resubmitting an updated Plan of Development. However, the project sponsor ultimately decided not to make any changes, in part to avoid the agency extending the review process. The BLM district office did not proceed with developing the NOI during the time the project sponsor was deciding whether to provide an updated Plan of Development. After the project sponsor decided to keep its original Plan of Development, BLM needed additional time to complete and route the NOI based on internal Instruction Memoranda (BLM NV IMs 2024-019 and 2024-020), which implement BLM's pre-NEPA process and provide for an internal 90-day review and routing of the Plan of Development and NOI through the relevant BLM district and state offices. Therefore, to accommodate BLM's internal review and routing process as laid out in the Instruction Memoranda, BLM requested an extension of all NEPA-related completion dates. The completion date for BLM's ROW authorization is dependent on the timing of the NEPA action, so BLM also requested a corresponding extension for that completion date. The Executive Director **granted** the request.

BLM subsequently missed the extended date that the Executive Director had approved, resulting in nonconformance, for the same reasons that BLM missed the Bonanza Solar Final EIS milestone.<sup>23</sup> BLM established an alternative completion date for the NOI milestone of July 25, 2025.

**Perkins Renewable Energy Project.** In March 2025, BLM submitted a request to the Executive Director to extend the NEPA review, ROW Authorization, and Bureau of Reclamation's (BOR's) Use Authorization schedules for the project because additional ESA species surveys are needed and cultural resource surveys need to be re-performed.

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<sup>22</sup> As required by statute, explanations for the missed completion dates, alternative completion dates, and monthly status reports are available on the [Permitting Dashboard](#).

<sup>23</sup> As required by statute, explanations for the missed completion dates, alternative completion dates, and monthly status reports are available on the [Permitting Dashboard](#).

After the original permitting timetable was established, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) proposed listing the Monarch Butterfly as threatened pursuant to the ESA, the federal agencies conducted site visits, and the project sponsor finalized the transmission corridor boundaries. Based on this new information, BLM and FWS have requested the project sponsor provide additional surveys for the Monarch Butterfly, the Yuma Ridgway Rail, and the California Black Rail.

Also after the original permitting timetable was established, BLM determined that the cultural surveys for consultation pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act needed to be re-performed because the peer review of the cultural resources field survey found significant discrepancies in the field work. The project sponsor will have a new consultant re-do the cultural resources survey and complete the associated cultural resource technical report.

Both the information prepared for the ESA consultation request package and the draft cultural resources technical report are required to advance the NEPA process, and the ROW and use authorization actions are dependent on the timing of the NEPA review. Accordingly, BLM requested to extend the NEPA, ROW, and use authorization actions based on the shift in the ESA consultation and Section 106 actions. The Executive Director [granted](#) the request.

Although the extensions related to ESA consultation were a driving factor to extend the NEPA, ROW, and use authorization actions, BLM did not timely request an extension of the ESA consultation.<sup>24</sup> This resulted in nonconformance, and BLM established alternative completion dates to update the overall ESA Consultation (FWS) timeline accordingly.<sup>25</sup>

***Samantha Solar.*** BLM extended completion dates for the NEPA action for the same reasons that BLM modified the Bonanza Solar and Pantheon Solar Project EIS timetables, namely that BLM review of the project has required enhanced coordination with DOI leadership.

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<sup>24</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 4370m-2(c)(2)(D)(ii) (a completion date may not be modified within 30 days of the completion date).

<sup>25</sup> As required by statute, explanations for the missed completion dates, alternative completion dates, and monthly status reports are available on the [Permitting Dashboard](#).

Table 8: BLM's permitting timetable federal agency milestones scheduled to occur in fiscal Q3 2025.

Environmental Review or Authorization	Milestone	Milestone Status at End of Quarter
<b>Bonanza Solar Project</b>		
EIS	Final EIS	Extended beyond the end of the quarter; triggered nonconformance
<b>Pantheon Solar Project</b>		
EIS	NOI	Extended beyond the end of the quarter; triggered nonconformance
<b>Perkins Renewable Energy Project</b>		
ESA Consultation (FWS)	ESA Consultation Request Package Submitted	Extended beyond the end of the quarter; triggered nonconformance
ESA Consultation (FWS)	FWS determines ESA Consultation Package is Complete - Formal	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
EA	Determination to prepare an EA	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
ROW Authorization (BLM)	Completed application received	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
<b>Samantha Solar</b>		
EIS	NOI	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
EIS	Scoping	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
<b>White Pine Pumped Storage</b>		
EA	EA Process Concluded	Completed
ROW Authorization (BLM)	Final decision/agency action	Completed

#### 4.7. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)

BOEM was lead agency for ten projects during fiscal Q3 2025.

BOEM reviewed and met its FAST-41 obligation to update CPPs in a timely manner for 10 of 11 applicable projects. For Bluepoint Wind 1, the initial CPP and permitting timetable were due in fiscal Q2 2025. BOEM has not submitted a CPP or comprehensive permitting timetable. BOEM is choosing to delay publishing a permitting timetable until completion of the assessments outlined in the Presidential Memorandum, "Temporary Withdrawal of All Areas on the Outer Continental Shelf from Offshore Wind Leasing and Review of the Federal Government's Leasing and Permitting Practices for Wind Projects."<sup>26</sup> The Executive Director will work with BOEM, when BOEM is ready, to attain compliance under FAST-41.

BOEM met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

BOEM had three completion dates and three alternative completion dates scheduled to occur during the reporting period. These milestones were associated with three active

<sup>26</sup> See 90 Fed. Reg. 8363.

covered projects.<sup>27</sup> Of the six milestones, one was completed, two were extended beyond the end of the quarter, and three were associated with a project that went into paused status, as summarized in Table 9. The milestone extensions, in the context of the relevant projects, are discussed in detail below.

**Vineyard Northeast.** In March 2025, BOEM submitted a request to the Executive Director to extend all remaining completion dates on the project’s permitting timetable because of the timing of weather-dependent fieldwork the project sponsor must complete for BOEM’s preparation of the draft EIS and Section 106 consultation documents. All other actions on the project’s permitting timetable are dependent on the timing of BOEM’s NEPA action. The Executive Director **granted** the request.

*Table 9: BOEM’s permitting timetable federal agency milestones scheduled to occur in fiscal Q3 2025.*

Environmental Review or Authorization	Milestone	Milestone Status at End of Quarter
<b>Atlantic Shores North</b>		
ESA Consultation (FWS)	ESA Consultation Request Package Submitted*	Project went into paused status
ESA Consultation (NOAA-NMFS)	ESA Consultation Request Package Submitted*	Project went into paused status
Magnusen-Stevens Act Section 305 EFH Consultation (NOAA-NMFS)	EFH Consultation Request Submitted – EFH Assessment*	Project went into paused status
<b>Attentive Energy Two Offshore Wind Project</b>		
Construction and Operations Plan	Application deemed complete (Agency Action)	Completed
<b>Vineyard Northeast</b>		
ESA Consultation (FWS)	ESA Consultation Request Package Submitted	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
EIS	Draft EIS	Extended beyond the end of the quarter

\* Denotes an alternative completion date scheduled to occur during the quarter.

#### 4.8. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (BOR)

BOR was lead agency for one project and was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for four additional projects during fiscal Q3 2025.

BOR met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

<sup>27</sup> The remaining seven projects for which BOEM was lead agency had no BOEM milestones scheduled to occur during the quarter.

BOR had one completion date scheduled to occur during the reporting period associated with one active covered project.<sup>28</sup> The completion date was extended beyond the end of the quarter, as summarized in Table 10. This milestone extension is explained in the Perkins Renewable Energy Project discussion in *Section 4.6* of this report.

*Table 10: BOR's permitting timetable federal agency milestones scheduled to occur in fiscal Q3 2025.*

Environmental Review or Authorization	Milestone	Milestone Status at End of Quarter
<b>Perkins Renewable Energy Project</b>		
Use Authorization (BOR)	Application deemed complete	Extended beyond the end of the quarter

#### 4.9. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

FWS was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for 24 projects during fiscal Q3 2025.<sup>29</sup>

As of the publication of this report, FWS met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

While FWS had no milestones scheduled to occur during the reporting period, FWS nevertheless completed five milestones this quarter for the following projects and actions:<sup>30</sup>

- Alaska LNG Project's ESA Consultation (FWS)
- Alaska LNG Project's Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Permit (two milestones)
- Harbor Island Seawater Desalination Facility's Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act Review
- Harbor Island Seawater Desalination Facility's ESA Consultation (FWS)

#### 4.10. Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS)

NPS was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for two projects during fiscal Q3 2025.<sup>31</sup>

NPS met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

NPS had no milestones scheduled to occur during the reporting period.

<sup>28</sup> The remaining three projects for which BOR was lead or responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations had no BOR milestones scheduled to occur during the quarter.

<sup>29</sup> FWS was not lead agency for any projects during the quarter.

<sup>30</sup> These milestones were associated with permitting actions added to the Dashboard after the beginning of the quarter, so were not counted as "scheduled to occur" for the reporting period.

<sup>31</sup> NPS was not lead agency for any projects during the quarter.



## 4.11. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

EPA was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for six projects during fiscal Q3 2025.<sup>32</sup>

EPA met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

EPA had one completion date scheduled to occur during the reporting period that was associated with one active covered project.<sup>33</sup> The completion date was extended beyond the end of the quarter, as summarized in Table 11. The milestone extension, in the context of the relevant project, is discussed in detail below.

***SouthCoast Wind Energy Project.*** In March 2025, BOEM, on behalf of EPA, submitted a request to the Executive Director to extend the final completion date for a National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit decision under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) from the EPA due to the January 20, 2025, Presidential Memorandum, “Temporary Withdrawal of All Areas on the Outer Continental Shelf from Offshore Wind Leasing and Review of the Federal Government’s Leasing and Permitting Practices for Wind Projects.”<sup>34</sup> The Executive Director **granted** the request.

Table 11: EPA’s permitting timetable federal agency milestones scheduled to occur in fiscal Q3 2025.

Environmental Review or Authorization	Milestone	Milestone Status at End of Quarter
<b>SouthCoast Wind Energy LLC (SouthCoast Wind)</b>		
CWA Section 402 Permit, NPDES	EPA authorizes discharge under Individual permit	Extended beyond the end of the quarter

## 4.12. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

FERC was lead or facilitating agency for three projects during fiscal Q3 2025.

FERC reestablished a permitting timetable for the Alaska LNG Project in a timely manner.<sup>35</sup> FERC reviewed and met its FAST-41 obligation to update CPPs in a timely manner for all three applicable projects.

FERC met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

FERC had no milestones scheduled to occur during the reporting period.

<sup>32</sup> EPA was not lead agency for any projects during the quarter.

<sup>33</sup> The remaining five projects for which EPA was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations had no EPA milestones scheduled to occur during the quarter.

<sup>34</sup> See 90 Fed. Reg. 8363.

<sup>35</sup> Alaska LNG Project rejoined the portfolio of projects undergoing active federal review in fiscal Q2 2025 to allow for permit renewals and updated Biological Opinions to be added to the permitting timetable. FERC posted corresponding updates to the permitting timetable on May 9, 2025.

FERC completed one milestone this quarter for the Alaska LNG Project's ESA Consultation (FWS).<sup>36</sup>

#### 4.13. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)

NRC was lead agency for two projects during fiscal Q3 2025.

NRC had no milestones scheduled to occur during the reporting period.

#### 4.14. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

USACE was lead agency for 5 projects and was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for 17 additional projects during fiscal Q3 2025.

USACE was the lead agency for one project—Harbor Island Seawater Desalination Facility—with a deadline in the reporting period for establishing a CPP and established the CPP in a timely manner. USACE reviewed and met its FAST-41 obligation to update the CPPs in a timely manner for applicable projects.

As of the publication of this report, USACE met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

USACE had two completion dates and one alternative completion date scheduled to occur during the reporting period. These milestones were associated with three active covered projects.<sup>37</sup> The three completion dates were extended beyond the end of the quarter, as summarized in Table 12. The milestone extensions, in the context of the relevant projects, are discussed in detail below.

***Mid-Breton Sediment Diversion.*** In March 2025, USACE submitted a request to the Executive Director to extend all remaining completion dates on the project's permitting timetable because the project sponsor modified the construction area to avoid an archaeological site of concern to the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana and the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. The Executive Director **granted** the request.

***SouthCoast Wind Energy LLC (SouthCoast Wind).*** This milestone extension was the result of implementation of the January 20, 2025 Presidential Memorandum, "Temporary Withdrawal of All Areas on the Outer Continental Shelf from Offshore Wind Leasing and Review of the Federal Government's Leasing and Permitting Practices for Wind Projects."<sup>38</sup> USACE has rescheduled the final milestone and will reassess the timing of the milestone,

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<sup>36</sup> This milestone was associated with a permitting action added to the Dashboard after the beginning of the quarter, so was not counted as "scheduled to occur" for the reporting period.

<sup>37</sup> The remaining 19 projects for which USACE was lead or responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations had no USACE milestones scheduled to occur during the quarter.

<sup>38</sup> See 90 Fed. Reg. 8363.

as needed, as DOI conducts a comprehensive assessment for wind energy leasing and permitting.

**Vineyard Northeast.** This milestone extension is explained in the Vineyard Northeast discussion in *Section 4.7* of this report.

*Table 12: USACE's permitting timetable federal agency milestones scheduled to occur in fiscal Q3 2025.*

Environmental Review or Authorization	Milestone	Milestone Status at End of Quarter
<b>Mid-Breton Sediment Diversion</b>		
EIS	Draft EIS	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
<b>SouthCoast Wind Energy LLC (SouthCoast Wind)</b>		
Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) of 1899 and Section 404 CWA	Final Verification/Permit Decision Rendered*	Extended beyond the end of the quarter
<b>Vineyard Northeast</b>		
Section 10 RHA of 1899 and Section 404 CWA	Publication of Public Notice	Extended beyond the end of the quarter

\* Denotes an alternative completion date scheduled to occur during the quarter.

USACE completed eight milestones this quarter for the following projects and actions:

- Sparrows Point Container Terminal's Section 106 Review
- Harbor Island Seawater Desalination Facility's ESA Consultation (FWS), Section 106 Review, ESA Consultation (NOAA-NMFS), Magnuson-Stevens Act, Section 305 EFH Consultation, and Section 408 Permit

#### 4.15. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (USFS)

USFS was lead agency for two projects and was responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations for one additional project during fiscal Q3 2025. USDA was also facilitating agency for one project.

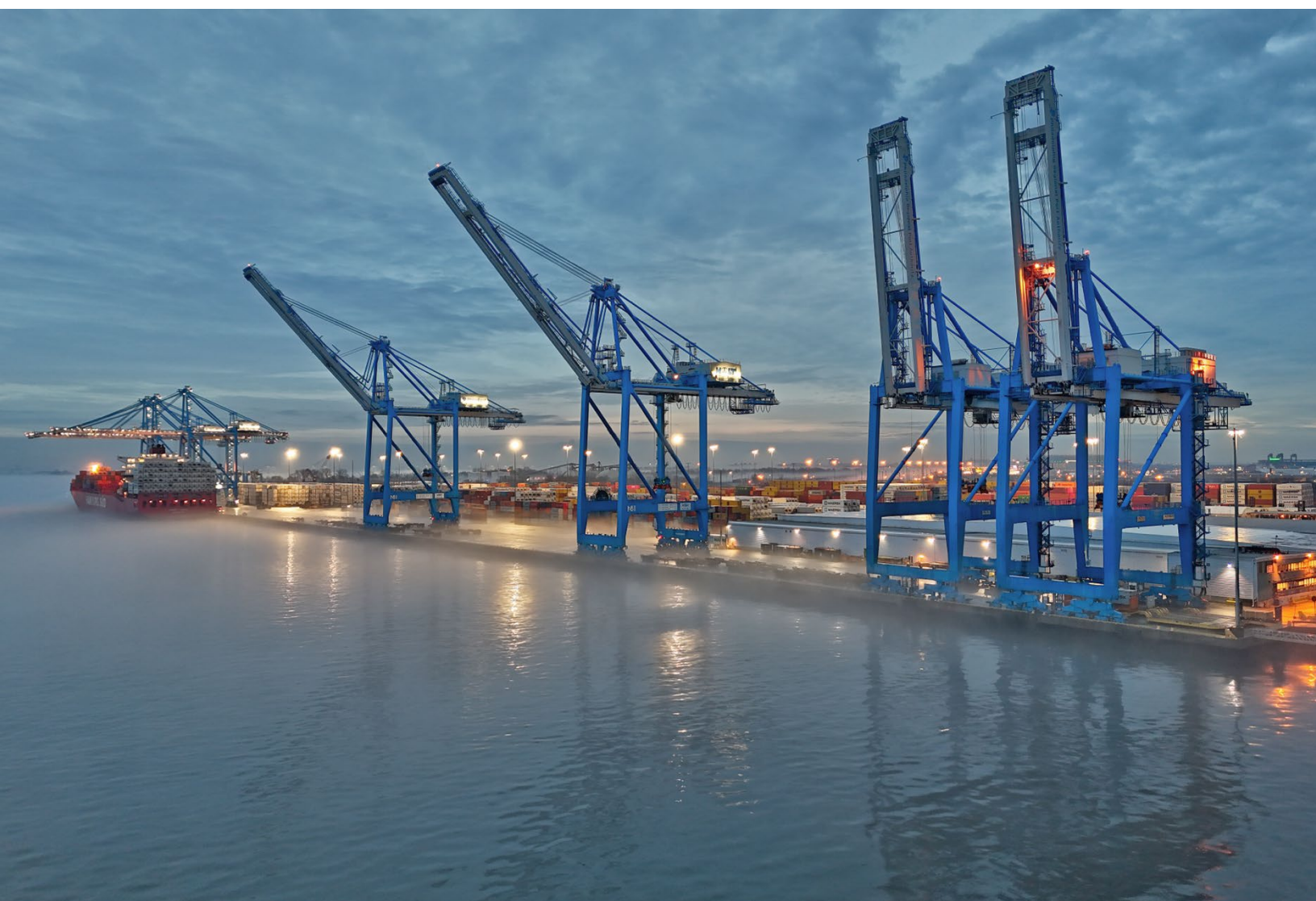
USFS reviewed and met its FAST-41 obligation to update the CPP in a timely manner for the applicable project.

USFS met the requirement to post certain project information 100 percent of the time.

USFS had two completion dates scheduled to occur during the reporting period associated with one active covered project.<sup>39</sup> The two milestones were completed, as summarized in Table 13.

*Table 13: USFS's permitting timetable federal agency milestones scheduled to occur in fiscal Q3 2025.*

Environmental Review or Authorization	Milestone	Milestone Status at End of Quarter
<b>South32 Hermosa Critical Minerals Project</b>		
ESA Consultation (FWS)	ESA Consultation Request Package Submitted	Completed
EIS	Draft EIS	Completed



<sup>39</sup> The remaining two projects for which USFS was lead or responsible for environmental reviews or authorizations had no USFS milestones scheduled to occur during the quarter.



# Appendix: Statutory Requirements

## 1. Initiation and Establishment of a Coordinated Project Plan

**FAST-41 Initiation Notice.** The FAST-41 process begins when a project sponsor<sup>40</sup> submits a notice of the initiation of a FAST-41 covered project (a.k.a., FAST-41 Initiation Notice, or “FIN”) to the Executive Director and the appropriate facilitating or lead agency.<sup>41</sup> The Executive Director must make a project entry on the Permitting Dashboard within 14 days of receiving a FIN unless the facilitating or lead agency, or the Executive Director, determines that the project is not a covered project.<sup>42</sup>

**Agency Invitations.** Within 21 days after the Executive Director makes a project entry on the Dashboard, the facilitating or lead agency must invite all federal agencies likely to have responsibilities with respect to the proposed project to become a participating or cooperating agency for purposes of FAST-41.<sup>43</sup>

**Coordinated Project Plan Establishment.** The facilitating or lead agency must establish a CPP “not later than 60 days after the date on which the Executive Director must make a specific entry for the project on the Dashboard.”<sup>44</sup> A CPP coordinates agency participation in, and completion of, the federal environmental reviews and authorizations required for a FAST-41 covered project.<sup>45</sup> To that end, the CPP must include a list of all entities with an environmental review or authorization responsibility for a project; their respective roles and responsibilities; a discussion of potential avoidance, minimization, and mitigation strategies; plans and a schedule for public and Tribal outreach and coordination; and the project permitting timetable.<sup>46</sup>

The CPP is central to the management of the environmental review and authorization process for a FAST-41 covered project. The permitting timetable, which is posted and managed publicly on the Permitting Dashboard according to the requirements of FAST-41, is a key component of the CPP and includes intermediate and final completion dates for all federal environmental reviews and authorizations required for the project.<sup>47</sup>

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<sup>40</sup> Under FAST-41, a “project sponsor” means an entity, including any private, public, or public-private entity, seeking an authorization for a covered project. 42 U.S.C. § 4370m(18).

<sup>41</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(a)(1)(A).

<sup>42</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(b)(2)(A)(ii).

<sup>43</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(a)(2)(A).

<sup>44</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(c)(1)(A).

<sup>45</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(c)(1).

<sup>46</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(c)(1)(B).

<sup>47</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(c)(2). An intermediate completion date is the date on which an agency completes a component part, or stage, of a particular environmental review or authorization required by statute (e.g., publication of a draft EIS under NEPA, or completion of a Biological Assessment under the ESA). A final completion date is the date on which an agency completes an overall environmental review or authorization required by statute (e.g., publication of a Record of Decision for an EIS under NEPA, or issuance of a Biological Opinion under the ESA).



Thus, the permitting timetable provides transparency, predictability, and a comprehensive view of all the steps that are necessary for completion of the federal environmental review and authorization process.

## 2. Coordinated Project Plan Quarterly Updates

FAST-41 requires the facilitating or lead agency to review and update the CPP at least once per quarter.<sup>48</sup> While an agency's updates to the permitting timetable are integral to the process, the other statutorily required aspects of the CPP also need to be reviewed and, if necessary, updated. Agencies meet this statutory requirement by certifying, on the Dashboard, that they have reviewed and updated their CPPs timely.

The Permitting Council uses the certification of this FAST-41 requirement as a key indicator that agencies are actively managing their permitting timetables and updating project CPPs, as needed.

## 3. Agency Modification of Permitting Timetables

Once a permitting timetable has been established as part of the CPP for a project, FAST-41 allows the lead or facilitating agency to modify completion dates set forth in the permitting timetable if certain statutory prerequisites are met. Specifically, the facilitating or lead agency may modify federal agency completion dates only after:

- Consulting with the Executive Director, affected cooperating agencies, participating agencies, and the project sponsor before making the modification;
- Providing a written, publicly posted justification for the modification;
- Obtaining Executive Director authorization for changes that would necessitate an extension of a final completion date by more than 30 days after the originally established final completion date.<sup>49</sup>

Additionally, a completion date may not be modified within 30 days of that completion date, thus requiring agencies to modify completion dates at least 31 days in advance.<sup>50</sup>

## 4. Agency Conformance with Permitting Timetables

Each federal agency is required to meet the intermediate and final completion dates in the permitting timetable posted on the Permitting Dashboard.<sup>51</sup> If an agency does not conform to the established timetable—that is, if an agency does not meet the

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<sup>48</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(c)(1)(B).

<sup>49</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(c)(2)(D).

<sup>50</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(c)(2)(D)(ii).

<sup>51</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(c)(2)(F)(i).



completion dates set forth in the permitting timetable—the statute requires that the agency responsible for the delayed action must:

- Provide, for posting on the Dashboard, an explanation of why the agency was unable to meet the completion date.
- Establish an alternative completion date in consultation with the facilitating or lead agency.
- Provide, for posting on the Dashboard, monthly reports describing all agency actions relating to the project until the agency has taken final action on the delayed authorization or review.<sup>52</sup>

## 5. Agency Posting of Required Information

For each covered project added to the Permitting Dashboard, FAST-41 requires the facilitating or lead agency, and each cooperating and participating agency, to post to the Permitting Dashboard a hyperlink that directs the public to a website containing certain project information. Specifically, and to the extent consistent with applicable law, agencies must post:

- The project FIN;
- Either the application and supporting documents that have been submitted by a project sponsor for any required environmental review or authorization, or a notice explaining how the public may obtain access to such documents;
- A description of any federal agency action taken or decision made that materially affects the status of a covered project, and any significant supporting documentation;
- Information on the status of mitigation measures that were agreed to as part of the environmental review and permitting process, including whether and when the mitigation measures have been fully implemented;
- A description of the status of any litigation to which the agency is a party that is directly related to the project, including, if practicable, any judicial document made available on an electronic docket maintained by a federal, state, or local court;
- Any document described above that is not available by hyperlink on another website.<sup>53</sup>

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<sup>52</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(c)(2)(F)(ii).

<sup>53</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(b)(3)(A)(i)-(ii).

Agencies additionally must post directly to the Permitting Dashboard information about project-related public meetings, public hearings, and public comment periods, as that information becomes available.<sup>54</sup>

Agencies must make the information described above available not later than five business days after the date on which the federal agency receives the information.<sup>55</sup>

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<sup>54</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(b)(3)(A)(iii).

<sup>55</sup> *Id.* § 4370m-2(b)(3)(B).