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Humboldt Bay offshore wind terminal sees \$8.6 million investment

A rendering shows what the Humboldt Bay Harbor would look like once outfitted to deploy offshore wind infrastructure. (Screenshot)



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U.S. Rep. Jared Huffman (D-San Rafael) announced Thursday that more than \$8.6 million has been awarded to the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation District to go toward the development of an [offshore wind terminal in Humboldt Bay](#).

It's the latest step for the wind terminal as California continues to try to reach their lofty clean energy goals of 100% carbon-free energy by 2045.

Jared Huffman

"My district in Northern California has some of the best areas available to help meet the administration's offshore wind energy goals, and I'm glad I could help secure this grant to support the development of one of the first offshore wind projects on the West Coast," Huffman said in a prepared statement.

The Redwood Marine Terminal was the lone offshore wind farm development project on the West Coast to receive funding.

"The district is grateful for all the support we have received from our state and federal partners," Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation Commission President Greg Dale said in a news release. "As this project moves forward, the district is committed to working with the community, fishermen, and tribes to minimize the impacts and maximize the local benefits."

According to a Crowley Wind Services news release, the grant will provide the needed funding "to progress the project to "shovel ready" status including design and permitting preparation costs."

Crowley signed a deal with the harbor district in October of 2022 which allows Crowley to exclusively negotiate to be the developer and the operator of the Humboldt Bay wind terminal.

Huffman lauded the funding noting that the awarded money will go toward "studies, site design, and permitting activities for a heavy-lift offshore wind terminal at the Redwood Marine Terminal. The grant will also fund the creation of a bay-wide master plan for offshore wind development and project management and grant administration expenses."

"With the help of the Port Infrastructure Development Program grant secured by the Humboldt Bay Harbor District, Crowley looks forward to advancing our collaboration in the development of the Humboldt Heavy Lift Marine Terminal in close collaboration with the Harbor District, County, Tribal Nations, and other key organizations and stakeholders," Bob Karl, senior vice president and general manager, Crowley Wind Services said. "We also thank U.S. Rep. Jared Huffman for his support of the project."

