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Grassroots Opposition to Offshore Drilling and Exploration in the Atlantic Ocean and Eastern Gulf of Mexico

Overview

East Coast communities strongly oppose offshore oil and gas drilling and exploration, including [seismic airgun blasting](#)—an extremely loud and dangerous process used to search for oil and gas deposits deep below the ocean’s surface—because these activities threaten their economic well-being and quality of life. Along the Atlantic coast, communities rely on healthy ocean ecosystems to support jobs in fishing, recreation and tourism.

As of January 2018, [142 East Coast municipalities](#) and over 1,200 local, state and federal elected officials including the Governors of New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, have formally opposed offshore drilling and/or seismic airgun blasting. Numerous fishing and tourism interests, including local chambers of commerce, tourism and restaurant associations, and an [alliance](#) representing over 41,000 businesses and 500,000 fishing families from Florida to Maine, also oppose oil exploration and/or development in the Atlantic. The South, Mid-Atlantic, and New England Fishery Management Councils have all expressed concerns about the risks posed by seismic surveys and oil and gas development to managed resources, fisheries and coastal communities along the Atlantic coast. Finally, NASA, the Department of Defense, and the Florida Defense Support Task Force have all expressed concerns about expanded offshore oil and gas development threatening their ability to perform critical activities.

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Where the movement began: Kure Beach, North Carolina, a picturesque tourist destination known for its small town atmosphere and the oldest fishing pier on the Atlantic coast, was ground zero in the fight against offshore oil exploration in the Atlantic Ocean. This tiny spit of sand that 2,000 people call home sparked a movement that has spread like wildfire up and down the East Coast. On January 27, 2014, more than 300 residents showed up to protest the mayor's position on seismic airgun blasting. Check out the [video of the meeting](#), and [read more on our blog](#).

Ever since that fateful night in January, opposition to seismic airgun blasting and Atlantic drilling has been mounting. Members of Congress and East Coast Governors need to hear from the people who will be most affected by seismic blasting and offshore drilling -- **and that's where you come in**. We have some great momentum, but we're only going to #StopTheDrill if more of us take up the call, and urge our elected officials to #ProtectOurCoast. Check out all the opposition to offshore oil and gas exploration and development, spread the word and join the movement!

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Email us at act@oceana.org to join our pod of WaveMakers who want to get involved at the local level. The campaign organizer in your region will contact you about next steps.

- [East Coast Opposition to Offshore Drilling and Seismic Airgun Blasting](#) Fact Sheet (August 2017)
- [Seismic Airgun Blasting: The Impacts](#) Long Fact Sheet (July 2017)
- [Seismic Airgun Blasting: Quick Facts](#) Trifold Brochure (August 2017)
- [Fishing, Seismic Airgun Blasting and Offshore Drilling](#) Fact Sheet (March 2016)

- [Impacts to Tourism from Offshore Drilling](#) Fact Sheet (March 2016)
- [Map of East Coast Opposition to Offshore Drilling and Seismic Airgun Blasting](#) For Print (October 2017)
- [Maps Showing At-Risk Marine Life Threatened by Seismic Airgun Blasting](#): Overlap of proposed seismic airgun permits, essential fish habitat for commercially important species, and critical habitat for threatened/endangered species in the Atlantic (June 2017)
- [Offshore Energy by the Numbers](#): An economic analysis of offshore drilling and wind energy in the Atlantic and state factsheets (January 2015)
- [Printable Petition Against Seismic Airgun Blasting](#) (June 2017)
- [Seismic Airgun Blasting: How to submit a public comment](#) Quarter Card (May/June 2017)

MUNICIPALITIES

- [Accomack County, VA](#): Passed 4/15/2009 (offshore drilling); Voted to send letter [2/12/2016](#) (offshore drilling)
- [Apalachicola, FL](#): Passed 11/7/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Atlantic Beach, FL](#): Passed 9/8/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Atlantic Beach, NC](#): Passed 11/23/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Atlantic Beach, SC](#): Passed 9/14/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Atlantic City, NJ](#): Passed 4/9/2015 (seismic blasting and offshore drilling)
- [Avalon, NJ](#): Passed 10/12/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [Barnegat, NJ](#): Passed 7/28/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Bald Head Island, NC](#): Passed 8/21/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Baltimore, MD](#): Passed 10/19/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Beach Haven, NJ](#): Passed 8/11/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Beachwood, NJ](#): Passed 7/16/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Beaufort, NC](#): Passed 8/10/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Beaufort, SC](#): Passed 2/10/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Belville, NC](#): Passed 3/7/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Berlin, MD](#): Passed 1/25/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [Bethany Beach, DE](#): Passed 3/18/2016 (seismic blasting and offshore drilling)
- [Bonita Springs, FL](#): Passed 4/1/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Bradley Beach, NJ](#): Passed 3/11/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Briarcliffe Acres, SC](#): Passed 10/19/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Brigantine, NJ](#): Passed 3/18/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Brunswick County](#): Passed 1/16/2018 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Brookhaven, NY](#): Sent letter 8/17/2017 (offshore drilling)
- [Broward County, FL](#): Passed 4/10/2010 (offshore drilling)
- [Brunswick, GA](#): Passed 5/20/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Cape Canaveral, FL](#): Passed 12/15/2009 (offshore drilling) 4/15/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Cape Coral, FL](#): Passed 2/8/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [Cape May County, NJ](#): Passed 8/9/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [Carolina Beach, NC](#): Passed 2/28/2014 (seismic blasting); [Passed 10/13/2015](#) (offshore drilling)
- [Carolina Shores, NC](#): Passed 10/8/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Carrboro, NC](#): Passed 3/17/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Caswell Beach, NC](#): Passed 3/31/2014 (seismic blasting, resolution of concern); [Passed 10/14/2015](#) (offshore drilling)
- [Cedar Point, NC](#): Passed 1/26/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Chapel Hill, NC](#): Passed 9/28/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Charleston, SC](#): Passed 3/24/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Charleston County, SC](#): Passed 5/5/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Cocoa Beach, FL](#): Passed 4/3/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Columbia, SC](#): Passed 5/5/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Dare County, NC](#): Passed 12/5/2005 (offshore drilling); Renewed on [4/6/2015](#) (offshore drilling)
- [Dewey Beach, DE](#): Passed 12/12/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Duck, NC](#): Passed 9/2/2009 (offshore drilling)
- [East Hampton, NY](#): Passed 8/17/2017 (offshore drilling)
- [Edisto Beach, SC](#): Passed 5/8/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Emerald Isle, NC](#): Passed 4/15/2015 (seismic blasting); [Passed 10/13/2015](#) (offshore drilling)
- [Escambia County, FL](#): Passed 5/4/2017 (offshore drilling)
- [Fenwick Island, DE](#): Passed 1/22/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Fernandina Beach, FL](#): Passed 12/2/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Folly Beach, SC](#): Passed 3/10/15 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)

- [Flagler County, FL](#): Passed 5/18/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Ft. Lauderdale, FL](#): Passed 4/19/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Ft. Myers Beach, FL](#): Passed 4/6/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Ft. Walton Beach, FL](#): Passed 6/27/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Georgetown, SC](#): Passed 4/16/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Georgetown County, SC](#): Passed 7/25/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Gulfport, FL](#): Passed 9/15/2009 (offshore drilling)
- [Hilton Head, SC](#): Voted to send letter to BOEM 3/25/2015 (offshore drilling); [Voted to send letter](#) to state department of health and environmental control 3/19/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Hinesville, GA](#): Passed 3/17/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Holden Beach, NC](#): Passed 9/8/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Holly Ridge, NC](#): Passed 8/11/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Horry County, SC](#): Passed 8/22/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Indianland, FL](#): Passed 1/7/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Indian Harbor Beach, FL](#): Passed 1/13/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Indian River County, FL](#): Passed 12/8/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Islamorada, FL](#): Passed 9/8/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Isle of Palms, SC](#): Passed 2/17/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Jacksonville Beach, FL](#): Passed 3/16/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [James Island, SC](#): Passed 3/19/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Kiawah Island, SC](#): Passed 5/5/15 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Kill Devil Hills, NC](#): Passed 6/9/2014 (offshore drilling)
- [Kingsland, GA](#): Passed 4/13/2015 (seismic blasting, proclamation)
- [Kitty Hawk, NC](#): Passed 9/12/2005 (offshore drilling and exploration)
- [Kure Beach, NC](#): Passed 1/19/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Lake Worth, FL](#): Passed 12/15/2009 (offshore drilling)
- [Lewes, DE](#): Passed 11/9/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Manteo, NC](#): Passed 5/7/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Marco Island, FL](#): Passed 3/15/2010 (offshore drilling)
- [Martin County, FL Commissioners](#): Sent letter 7/30/2014 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [McClellanville, SC](#): Passed 5/4/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Melbourne, FL](#): Passed 1/13/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Melbourne Beach, FL](#): Passed 9/17/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Miami Beach, FL](#): Passed 9/10/2008 (offshore drilling)
- [Miami-Dade County, FL](#): Passed 6/20/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Martin County, FL](#): Sent 7/30/2014
- [Milton, DE](#): Passed 2/24/2016 (seismic blasting and offshore drilling)
- [Morehead City, NC](#): Passed 8/11/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Montgomery County, MD](#): Passed 3/1/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Mt. Pleasant, SC](#): Passed 5/13/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Myrtle Beach, SC](#): Passed 8/11/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Nags Head, NC](#): Passed 4/2/2014 (seismic blasting); [Passed 7/2/2014](#) (offshore drilling)
- [Naples, FL](#): Passed 1/17/2018
- [Neptune Beach, FL](#): Passed 11/3/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [New Smyrna Beach, FL](#): Passed 12/9/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Norfolk, VA](#): Passed 7/18/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [North Myrtle Beach, SC](#): Passed 8/17/2015 (offshore drilling)
- [North Wildwood, NJ](#): Passed 8/16/2006 (seismic blasting)
- [Northampton County, VA](#): Passed 3/8/2016 (offshore drilling)
- [Oakland Park, FL](#): Passed 7/19/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Oak Island, NC](#): Passed 4/29/2014 (seismic blasting, resolution of concern); [Passed 9/8/2015](#) (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Ocean City, MD](#): Passed 9/21/2015 (seismic blasting and offshore drilling)
- [Ocean Isle, NC](#): Passed 10/13/2015 (seismic blasting and offshore drilling)
- [Orange County, NC](#): Passed 9/1/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Palm Beach County, FL](#): Passed in 2010 (offshore drilling)
- [Pawleys Island, SC](#): Passed 9/14/2015 (offshore drilling, proclamation)
- [Pensacola, FL](#): Passed 5/11/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Pine Knoll Shores, NC](#): Passed 8/11/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)

- [Porterdale, GA](#): Passed 9/6/2016 (offshore drilling)
- [Port Royal, SC](#): Passed 2/11/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Punta Gorda, FL](#): Passed 2/3/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [Red Bank, NJ](#): Passed 3/12/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Rehoboth Beach, DE](#): Passed 1/15/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Rockville, SC](#): Passed 4/20/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Sanibel, FL](#): Passed 12/6/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [Satellite Beach, FL](#): Passed 11/5/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Savannah, GA](#): Passed 4/30/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Seabrook Island, SC Mayor and Councilmembers](#): Voted to send letter 5/8/2015 (Offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Southampton, NY](#): Passed 8/22/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [South Bethany, DE](#): Passed 6/10/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [South Miami, FL](#): Passed 11/7/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Southport, NC](#): Passed 5/8/2014 (seismic blasting); [Passed 8/13/2015](#) (offshore drilling)
- [Space Coast League of Cities, FL](#): Passed 2/9/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [St. Augustine, FL](#): Updated 4/14/2014 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [St. James, NC](#): Passed 5/6/2014 (seismic blasting, resolution of concern)
- [St. Johns County, FL Commissioners](#): Sent letter 4/3/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [St. Lucie County, FL](#): Sent letter 8/11/2017 (offshore drilling)
- [St. Marys, GA](#): Passed 2/2/2015 (seismic blasting, proclamation)
- [St. Petersburg, FL](#): Passed 4/17/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Stone Harbor, NJ](#): Passed 7/19/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [Sullivan's Island, SC](#): Passed 3/17/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Sunset Beach, NC](#): Passed 6/30/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Surf City, NC](#): Passed 8/4/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Surfside Beach, SC](#): Passed 9/22/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Swansboro, NC](#): Passed 11/24/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Topsail Beach, NC](#): Passed 4/23/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Titusville, FL](#): Passed 1/12/2010 (offshore drilling)
- [Tybee Island, GA](#): Passed 1/15/2015 (seismic blasting); [Passed 9/10/2015](#) (offshore drilling)
- [Vero Beach, FL](#): Passed 11/17/2015 (seismic blasting and offshore drilling)
- [Virginia Beach](#): Passed 6/20/2017 (seismic blasting and offshore drilling)
- [Washington, DC](#): Passed 2/19/2016 (seismic blasting and offshore drilling)
- [West Melbourne, FL](#): Passed 2/3/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [West Wildwood, NJ](#): Passed 8/5/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [Wilmington, NC](#): Passed 7/21/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Wilton Manors, FL](#): Passed 3/14/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Wrightsville Beach, NC](#): Passed 9/9/2010 (offshore drilling)

ELECTED OFFICIALS AND KEY STAKEHOLDERS

Southeast

- [North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper](#): Sent letter to BOEM (offshore drilling); sent [letter to NOAA](#) (seismic blasting)
- [32 SC State Legislators](#): Sent letter to BOEM 8/17/2016 (offshore drilling)
- [SC State Senator Chip Campsen](#): Sent letter to BOEM 8/10/2017 (offshore drilling)
- [Hilton Head, SC Mayor Bennett](#): Sent [letter to BOEM](#) 8/7/2017 (offshore drilling); sent [letter to NOAA](#) 6/26/2017 (seismic blasting)
- [SC State Representative Hewitt](#): Sent letter to BOEM 7/31/2017 (offshore drilling)
- [South Carolina Governor Henry McMaster](#): Reiterates opposition to the media 6/26/2017 (seismic blasting and offshore drilling)
- [U.S. Representative Sanford \(SC-01\) and Mayors Tecklenburg \(Charleston, SC\) & Keyserling \(Beaufort, SC\)](#): sent a letter to Interior Secretary Zinke urging him to retain the 2017-2022 Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program in its current form, and deny any requests for seismic airgun blasting permits in the Atlantic Ocean (4/11/2017)
- [NC Council of Churches](#): Sent letter to President Obama 12/12/2016; sent [letter to President Trump](#) 8/15/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [NC Interfaith Power and Light](#): Sent letter to President Obama 12/13/2016; sent [letter to President Trump](#) 8/15/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [NC State Representative Pricey Harrison and 21 members of the NC General Assembly](#): Sent letter to President Obama 5/6/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Queen Quet, Gullah Geechee Nation](#): Sent letter to President Obama 11/3/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [5 GA Mayors led by Hinesville Mayor Allen Brown](#): Sent letter to President Obama 11/14/2016 (seismic blasting and offshore drilling)
- [70 State Legislators led by Representatives Harrison and Jones, and Senators Campsen and Jackson](#): Sent letter to DOI 7/26/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [15 SC Mayors led by Beaufort Mayor Billy Keyserling](#): Sent letter to President Obama 7/5/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [SC State Senator Chip Campsen](#): Sent letter to BOEM 3/30/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)

- [Charleston, SC Mayor John Tecklenberg](#): Sent letter to President Obama 12/7/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Beaufort, SC Mayor Billy Keyserling](#): Sent letter to President Obama 11/16/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Hinesville, GA Mayor Allen Brown](#): Sent letter to President Obama 10/6/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [Georgetown, SC Mayor Jack Scoville](#): Wrote op-ed in South Strand News 4/13/2015 (offshore drilling)
- [Charleston, SC Mayor Joe Riley](#): Sent letter to BOEM 4/16/2014 (seismic blasting), sent [letter](#) 7/02/2012 (offshore drilling)
- [James Island, SC Public Service District](#): Passed Resolution on 3/23/2015 (Offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Fripp Island, SC Property Owners Association](#): Sent letter to Governor 7/16/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [One Hundred Miles, GA](#): Sent letter to President Obama 11/4/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Savannah Garden Club, GA](#): Sent letter to President Obama 11/21/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [South Carolina Wildlife Federation](#): Sent letter to President Obama 11/18/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [South Carolina conservation groups](#): Sent letter to the Department of the Interior 5/26/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Horry County, SC Democratic Party](#): Passed Resolution 10/19/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Gullah/Geechee Nation, NC-SC-GA-FL](#): Passed 10/1/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [North Carolina Council of Churches](#): Adopted statement 3/1/2016 (offshore drilling)
- [North Carolina Interfaith Power & Light](#): Sent letter to President Obama 12/13/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [St. Augustine Beach, FL Mayor Andrea Samuels](#): Sent letter to BOEM 4/15/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [Jacksonville, FL \(Former\) Mayor Alvin Brown](#): Sent letter to BOEM 5/7/2014 (seismic blasting)
- [South Carolina Department of Natural Resources](#): Sent letter of concern to BOEM 4/28/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Florida State Department of Environmental Protection](#): Sent letter to BOEM "recommending delaying permitting until data/information that is currently not available can be collected and effects assessed using this new information" 4/20/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Florida Coastal and Ocean Coalition](#): Sent letter to President Obama 11/15/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
Mid-Atlantic
- [Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe](#): sent letter to BOEM 8/17/2017 (offshore drilling)
- [New Jersey Governor Chris Christie](#): sent letter to BOEM 8/16/2017 (offshore drilling)
- [Maryland Governor Larry Hogan](#): sent letter to BOEM 8/16/2017 (offshore drilling); [letter of concern to NOAA](#) 7/6/2017 (seismic blasting)
- [New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman](#): sent letter to BOEM 8/17/2017 (offshore drilling)
- [Delaware Governor John Carney](#): sent letter to BOEM 8/14/2017 (offshore drilling); issued [statement](#) 4/28/2017 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Attorneys General of Maryland, Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Massachusetts, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Rhode Island](#): sent [letter to NOAA](#) 7/21/2017 (seismic blasting)
- [Virginia Attorney General Mark Herring](#): Sent letter to NOAA 7/21/2017 (seismic blasting)
- [Virginia Lt Governor Ralph Northam](#): Issued [statement](#) 7/20/2017 (offshore drilling); sent [letter to BOEM](#) 2/25/2016 (offshore drilling)
- [14 New York State Legislators](#): issued citation 5/21/2017 (offshore drilling and exploration)
- [Brookhaven, NY Town Supervisor](#): sent letter 05/21/2017 (offshore drilling)
- [43 state and local elected officials from Delaware led by Mayors Hansen and Becker, and Senators Peterson and Lopez](#): Sent letter to DOI 8/2/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [42 state and local elected officials from Maryland led by Senator Raskin, Delegate Lierman and Council Member Hucker](#): Sent letter to DOI 8/2/2016 (seismic blasting)
- [New Jersey State League of Municipalities](#): 7 mayors sent letter to DOI 1/30/2015 (offshore drilling)
- [Delaware Natural Resources and Environmental Control Secretary David Small](#): Sent letter to DOI 4/21/2015 (seismic blasting)
- [Maryland Attorney General Brian Frosh](#): Sent letter to BOEM 3/30/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Maryland \(Former\) Governor Martin O'Malley](#): Sent letter to DOI 2/26/2014 (offshore drilling); [Wrote an op-ed](#) in the New York Times 2/2/2015 (offshore drilling)
- [Lynnhaven River NOW, VA](#): Sent letter to Congressman Rigell 8/25/2015 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Virginia Garden Club](#): Sent letter of opposition to BOEM 7/16/2016 (seismic blasting), sent [letter](#) to President Obama 11/2/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting); expressed [opposition](#) in their legislative agenda 1/25/2016 (offshore drilling)
- [Princess Anne Garden Club, VA](#): sent letter to City Council 9/8/2015 (offshore drilling); updated [resolution](#) 4/13/2016 (seismic blasting), sent [letter](#) to President Obama 11/4/2016 (offshore drilling)
- [Albermarle Garden Club, VA](#): Resolution of opposition 5/18/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)
- [Norfolk Garden Club, VA](#): Passed resolution 3/16/2016 (offshore drilling)
- [Virginia Beach Garden Club, VA](#): Sent letter to BOEM 9/29/2015 (offshore drilling)
- [The Virginia Aquarium, VA](#): Sent a letter to the Mayor and City Council of Virginia Beach expressing concerns about offshore development near the Norfolk Canyon 8/18/15 (offshore drilling)
- [Sandbridge Civic League, VA](#): Sent letter to President Obama, BOEM, et al. 11/1/2015 (offshore drilling)
- [Resort Beach Civic League, VA](#): Sent letter to President Obama, BOEM, et al. 11/1/2015 (offshore drilling)
- [Assateague Coastal Trust, MD](#): Sent letter to President Obama 11/15/2016 (offshore drilling and seismic blasting)