



From: Commander, NYS Military Emergency Boat Service

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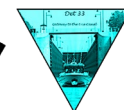
The following is the status of the New York State Military Emergency Boat Service

1) ADMINISTRATION:

- a. We say farewell this coming week to MKC Bill Munch. Chief Munch, a qualified MEBS CraftMaster and Coxswain, has been an outstanding addition to the Naval Militia since 2010. He has been a regular resource for JTF Empire Shield, and he will be sorely missed.
- b. All 900-series members are reminded that an annual physical exam record must be on file at NYNM HQ to remain eligible not only for SAD but also for membership. We have lost members due to the simple fact that they have not kept up with this requirement.
- c. We have received “end-of-year” budgetary guidance from MNBf for the upcoming closure of state fiscal year 2023-24. The official end date is 31MAR24. Purchases and obligations made before the SFY closure will count against the “Available” funds in the Expenditures to Date columns below. However, the effective end dates are:
 - i. Credit card purchases: 4MAR24
 - ii. New Purchase Order purchases: 15FEB24
 - iii. Standing Purchase Order obligations: 29FEB24
- d. Upcoming events:
 - i. 19JAN24/1300: MEBS Future Discussion, Latham
 - ii. 26JAN24/1000: NYNM Leadership Meeting; Latham
 - iii. 31JAN24: North Hudson AMSC; Poughkeepsie
 - iv. 6FEB24/1100: Empire Challenge Exercise IPC; Latham
 - v. 7FEB24: NYS Safe Boater Course; Leeds
 - vi. 5 APR24: WESTCOM regional kick off weekend; Buffalo

2) INFORMATION: **gCaptain 3JAN24. EQUINOR AND BP TERMINATE OFFSHORE WIND AGREEMENT FOR EMPIRE WIND 2 PROJECT IN NEW YORK**

Equinor and BP have announced the termination of the Offshore Wind Renewable Energy Certificate Agreement with the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) for the Empire Wind 2 project. Empire Wind 2 is planned with potential generative capacity of 1,260 MW. It is the second phase of the Equinor and BP’s Empire Wind project, with a combined potential capacity of more than 2 GW. The lease for the project was acquired in 2017. Offshore Wind Renewable Energy Certificates, or ORECs, are essential for facilitating the development of offshore wind in New York State. NYSERDA buys ORECs from project developers and sells them to utilities and load serving entities in order to achieve the state’s renewable energy objectives. Equinor said the decision to terminate the OREC agreement with NYSERDA reflects changes in the economic circumstances within the industry and provides an opportunity for a project reset by repositioning it to continue development in anticipation of new offtake opportunities. Factors such as inflation, interest rates, and supply chain disruptions have rendered the existing agreement unviable. “Commercial viability is fundamental for ambitious projects of this size and scale,” said Molly Morris, president of Equinor Renewables Americas. “The Empire Wind 2 decision provides the opportunity to reset and develop a stronger and more robust project going forward. We will continue to closely engage our many community partners across the state, generating union jobs and significant economic activity in New York.” The Empire Wind 1 and Empire Wind 2 projects recently achieved significant permitting milestones, having received the federal Record of Decision from BOEM.





Empire Wind 1 also obtained its Article VII Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need in New York last month. The termination of the OREC agreement deals the latest blow to New York's offshore wind project pipeline following Orsted's decision to halt the development of its 2,248-megawatt (MW) Ocean Wind 1 and 2 projects off New York and New Jersey.

3) OPERATIONS:

a. Readiness Rating:

MEBS Readiness Rating		Minimum Standard	Actual	Rating	Goal
Personnel Census	P-Rating	90	79	2	120 MEBS Members
Personnel Staff	S-Rating	7	12	1	13 Key Staff
Training Qualifications	Q-Rating	30	31	1	45 Qualified Coxswains
Training Proficiency	T1-Rating	122	86	2	240 Proficiency Mandays (2/member/year)
Additional Training	T2-Rating	90%	121.35%	1	Basic Course, Towing Cert., UECO, and +
Communications Reliability	K-Rating	90%	97.56%	1	100% Functionality
Equipment Maintenance	E-Rating	90%	100.00%	1	100% Operational
Equipment Vehicle Quantity	V-Rating	11	9	2	11 Trucks

Overall Readiness R-RATING

1.38	2
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Date:

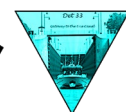
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b. JTFES Naval Det activity for the past week:

- i. DET 1 Indian Point Activity: Federal Safety and Security Zone Patrol/Lower Hudson River Patrol.
- ii. DET 2 Staten Island Activity: Support to USCG Sector NY.
- iii. DET 3 Jones Beach Activity: Support to JTFES and USCG Sector NY.

4) LOGISTICS:

- a. We are working to establish a purchase order for dock space at Atlantic Marina in Tottenville for DET 11, in the 2024 season. We will need an updated Appendix A and a new quote from the vendor.
- b. All boats and trucks are FMC.
- c. We intend to swap LC 350 and LC 351 on 17JAN24.
- d. The following minor logistics and maintenance issues are being addressed:
 - i. New PB400 fenders purchased.
 - ii. PB 300 has hydraulic steering leak on port side. Parts on order.
 - iii. PB 301 has suspect hydraulic steering oil leak. Will investigate upon swap out.
 - iv. PB 281 radar drive belt slipping. Access to radar dome is a problem, as the last time it was off, it was replaced incorrectly. We will work on this.



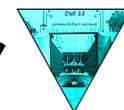


- v. PB 301 Idle Air Controller on starboard engine suspect.
 - vi. PB 220 and 221, replacing battery compartment cover latches.
 - vii. Truck 08 is considered FMC since it can meet its assigned mission. It is not planned for towing.
 - viii. Winter maintenance has been completed on the following vessels: PB 220, PB 221, PB 230, PB 300, LC 351.
 - ix. New light bars are being purchased for the new trucks. We have one completely installed on Truck 39.
 - x. We are procuring SIMRAD Cruise 9 chartplotters to replace Furuno chartplotters on PB 300, 301, 280, and 281.
 - xi. We have a new Navionics chip for the PB301 SIMRAD chartplotter.
 - xii. PB 300 needs bottom paint.
- e. SFY 2023-24 Expenditures to date:

General	\$3,092.02
Boat Maintenance	\$138,720.39
Truck Maintenance	\$1,786.88
Trailer Maintenance	\$1,204.86
Travel/Per Diem	\$20,443.57
Boat Gasoline	\$13,118.83
Truck Diesel	\$6,173.56
Major Acquisition	\$297,973.68
Grants Reimbursement	-\$61,966.54
Total	\$420,547.25
Available:	\$24,547.63

f. Boat, Truck and Trailer Status / Locations:

<u>Bow / Bumper #</u>	<u>Boat / Vehicle</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Comments</u>
PB 220	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 221	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 230	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 280	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 281	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 300	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 301	Patrol Boat	Jones Beach	FMC	JTFES DET 3	Ready, in water.
LC 350	Landing Craft	Jones Beach	FMC	JTFES DET 3	Ready, in water.
LC 351	Landing Craft	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 400	Patrol Boat	Verplanck	FMC	JTFES DET 1	Ready, in water.
PB 440	Patrol Boat	Staten Island	FMC	JTFES DET 2	Ready, in water.
F350-5274	Prime Mover	Camp Smith	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5275	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5327	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5329	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready





F350-5339	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5340	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5619	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F550-5008	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready. No long-range tows.
F550-5009	Prime Mover	Camp Smith	FMC	N/A	Ready
CT 8901	Cargo Trailer	Staten Island	FMC	N/A	Ready
CP 8902	C2 Trailer	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
MT 8903	Maint Trailer	Leeds	FMC	NA	Ready

- 5) **PLANNING AND EXERCISES.** Exercise Empire Challenge '24 is tentatively set for 6-8 SEP 24. The field portion of the exercise is being planned for Lake Champlain. The CPX portion will support JTF 3 at Stratton Air National Guard Base in Scotia.
- 6) **COMMUNICATIONS.** N/A
- 7) **TRAINING.**
 - a. NYS Safe Boater Course, Leeds Armory, 7FEB24.
 - b. FAA Part 107 certifications on file: 2
 - c. Authorized motor vehicle drivers: 42. With CDL: 8

