

Mariners Briefing

South Fork Wind Fisheries Monitoring Activity

Export Cable Trawl Survey:

Date of Notice: March 7th, 2022

Overview:

From September 2021 through 2025, Cornell University Cooperative Extension will be working with a New York based commercial fishing vessel to complete a trawl survey along the South Fork Wind (SFW) export cable route in New York state waters (see attached chart).

Survey details:

Purpose: To assess the impacts of the installation and power transmission of SFW export cable on the abundance and demographics of various demersal fish and invertebrate species compared to the control area.

Vessels: *F/V Bulldog* (see below for vessel details)

Sampling frequency: Sampling will occur seasonally and sample approximately 40 stations along the SFW export cable and at a nearby reference area. Trips will last approximately 5 days.

Gear configuration: The trawl survey will be executed using the trawl net that was designed by the Northeast Trawl Advisory Panel for the NEAMAP trawl survey. Tows are 20 minutes long at 3 knots.

Gear marking: N/A

Communications: VHF channels 13 & 16 will be monitored as all times.

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