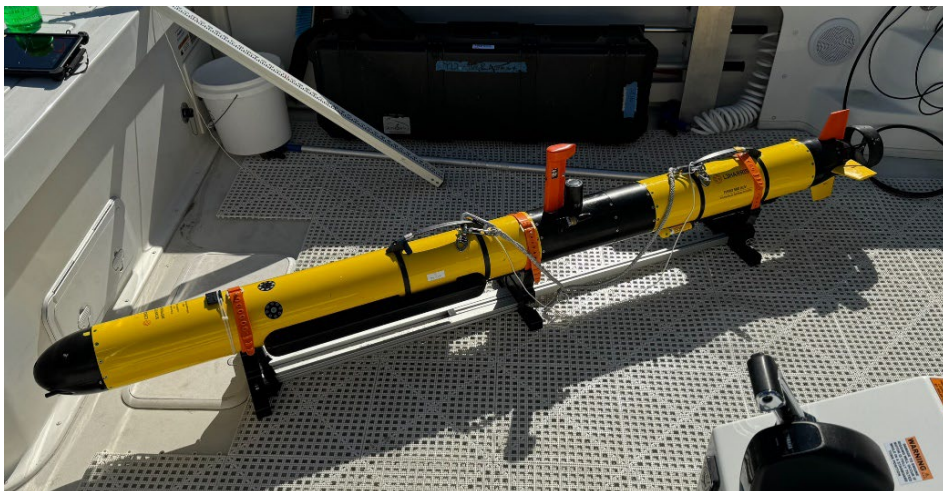


Metocean buoy off Ocean City, MD decommissioned. University of Delaware to complete required follow-on survey with an Autonomous Underwater Vehicle.

US Wind has completed the decommissioning of a metocean buoy off the coast of Ocean City, MD. Since May 2021, the buoy and an associated Trawl Resistant Bottom Mount (TRBM) system provided an array of wind, current, temperature, and marine life data to help monitor the marine environment and support the design of US Wind's forthcoming offshore wind projects. The buoy and TRBM were recently removed by contractors from Ocean Tech Services and Northstar Marine.

During the week of 27 May (weather permitting), the University of Delaware's (UD) Center for Autonomous and Robotic Systems will complete a required follow-on survey of the area with an Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV) to ensure no materials associated with the metocean buoy remain on the ocean floor. Mariners are requested to provide a wide berth to the research vessel to ensure the safety of the crew and AUV. Images of the R/V JOANNE DAIBER and AUV are shown below.





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US Wind controls the rights to an 80,000-acre lease area located off the coast of Maryland, which can support close to 1,800 MW of offshore wind energy generation. In October 2023, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management ("BOEM") issued a draft environmental impact statement on US Wind's construction and operations plan, positioning the company to secure final federal permits by the end of 2024.

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