

Press release

Site of onshore substation for F.E.W. Baltic II Offshore Wind Farm announced

- Final decision on the onshore substation site for the F.E.W. Baltic II offshore wind farm
- Milestone reached after the environmental decision for the connection infrastructure in late 2023
- F.E.W. Baltic II project is on schedule with commercial operation expected by the end of this decade

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The Voivode of Pomerania announced its decision on the site of the onshore connection for RWE's F.E.W. Baltic II offshore wind farm. The decision covers the construction of a substation and technical infrastructure, fibre optic cables and connection to the substation operated by PSE, the Polish national grid operator. The substation will be built in the municipality of Redzikowo (formerly the municipality of Słupsk). The decision on the onshore substation site is now legally binding.

Tomasz Kreft, Team Lead Consenting at RWE: "The construction of the onshore substation is one of the key elements of the F.E.W. Baltic II connection infrastructure. It allows electricity from the offshore substation to be transferred to land and fed into the national power system. F.E.W. Baltic II offshore wind farm will be cable to produce enough green electricity to supply the equvilant of approximately 350,000 Polish households."

The announcement follows the recent environmental decision on the connection infrastructure that RWE secured for the F.E.W. Baltic II project. The decision covers the onshore substation and the overhead line connecting it to the PSE infrastructure. Also, it includes the construction of technical infrastructure with external connections, the substation's technical building and access roads.

The 350 MW F.E.W. Baltic II offshore wind farm in the Polish part of the Baltic Sea covers an area of approximately 41 km2, over 50 km from the coast, north of Ustka. RWE is to implement the entire project. In 2021 the Polish Energy Regulatory Office granted RWE a Contract for Difference (CfD) for F.E.W. Baltic II, subject to approval by the European Commission. Seabed surveys have now been completed. Both geophysical and initial geotechnical surveys were carried out by Polish contractors. F.E.W. Baltic II is currently at an advanced stage, awaiting further administrative decisions and permits.

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