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With the Wind at Its Back, Vineyard Wind Crosses the Finish Line

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Josh Kaplowitz, a partner in Troutman Pepper Locke’s Environmental + Natural Resources Practice Group, was quoted in the March 13, 2026 *The New Bedford Light* article, “[With the Wind at Its Back, Vineyard Wind Crosses the Finish Line.](#)”

Joshua Kaplowitz, an environmental lawyer with Troutman Pepper Locke LLP, called Vineyard Wind a “pioneer.” He was an attorney at the Interior Department, counseling the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management for a few years as the project entered and went through the regulatory process.

“I have to credit Vineyard Wind for sheer perseverance. It’s been a rollercoaster,” he said. “They’ve stuck it out and persevered through a lot of challenges, including going through the process during the first Trump administration.”

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Kaplowitz said there’s a significant problem with projects taking too long to get through the regulatory and permitting process. Permitting reform has been [on the table](#) in the Senate, but Democrats stalled negotiations over the Trump administration’s suspensions of the five offshore wind projects under construction.

Factoring in the current political situation, Kaplowitz wondered if Vineyard Wind or a project like it could make it through if it had started the process just a few years later.

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Like many in the offshore wind industry, Kaplowitz maintains hope. He hopes that people will see Vineyard Wind as a proof of concept for offshore wind. And he hopes it won’t be one of the last wind projects to stand in the Atlantic.

“I hope people look at this as a sign of things to come,” he said, “and not as a sort of a monument to what could have been.”

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