

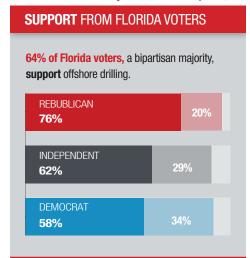
# WHAT THEY ARE SAYING ABOUT OFFSHORE OIL & NATURAL GAS IN

# **Florida**

PROJECTED EMPLOYMENT GAINS FOR FLORIDA 86,520 100,000 80.510 90.000 54.177 68,308 80,000 96.047 70.000 45,218 74,915 60,000 34,558 50,000 24,142 61,385 40.000 15,543 5,708 30,000 2,760 3,987 9,375 20,000 2,390 3.108 10,000 2019 2021 2023 2025 2031 2033 2035 2020 2026 2018 2024

Oil and natural gas development in the Atlantic and Eastern Gulf of Mexico could create almost 100,000 jobs in Florida and raise \$20 billion for the state budget by 2035 with revenue sharing in place.<sup>1</sup>

Harris Poll of 610 registered voters on January 15-19, 2015



## WHAT THE OFFICIALS SAY



#### Marco Rubio, U.S. Senator

"I support offshore energy exploration as a way to meet our energy needs, create jobs and reduce our dependency on foreign oil from unstable countries."



#### Tom Feeney, CEO, Associated Industries of Florida

"Offshore oil and natural gas development has been fueling America's energy security. Expansion of this vital energy resource will improve the climate for manufacturing growth providing new job opportunities for Floridians."

# Nancy Stephens, Executive Director, Manufacturers Association of Florida



"Offshore energy development is contributing to America's energy renaissance and has revitalized the chemical and manufacturing industries creating new job opportunities for Floridians."

# **SEISMIC SURVEYS**

The first step in exploring for offshore oil and natural gas resources is often conducted through seismic surveys, which are like ultrasounds of the earth. This safe and proven technology is also used by the U.S. Geological Survey, the National Science Foundation, and the offshore wind industry.

Anti-oil and gas activists are spreading misinformation about seismic surveys. Here's what a top government scientist had to say about their claims.



### Dr. William Y. Brown, Chief Environmental Officer at the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

"I think those assertions are wildly exaggerated and not supported by the evidence."

--- National Geographic, August 9, 2014

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