

STATE REVIEW

State review is an essential step in the preparation of the second world ocean assessment (WOA II). This timeline briefly outlines the process for review by States.

27 April - 5 June 2020

States review **WOA II** and submit their consolidated comments in the template provided to the secretariat of the **Regular Process**.

8 - 26 June 2020

Secretariat consolidates the comments from **States** and sends them to the **writing teams**.

29 June - 17 July 2020

Writing teams consider and respond to State comments, make any changes and submit the revised chapters to members of the **Group of Experts**.

3 - 7 August 2020

Group of Experts virtual meeting to agree on the second draft of **WOA II** and responses to **State** comments.

10 - 14 August 2020

Secretariat formats the second draft of **WOA II** and the responses agreed by the **Group of Experts**.

17 August - 4 September 2020

States review the second draft and responses of GOE to comments. **States** raise any questions with the **Group of Experts**.

27 April 2020

Secretariat of the **Regular Process** sends the first draft of **WOA II** to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations for review.

10 June 2020

Deadline for **States** to submit their written comments on **WOA II**.

26 June 2020

Deadline for **secretariat** to send the consolidated comments to **writing teams**.

20 - 31 July 2020

Members of the **Group of Experts** review the revised chapters and responses of **writing teams**.

7 August 2020

Group of Experts presents the second draft of **WOA II** to the **Bureau** of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the **Regular Process**.

17 August 2020

Deadline for **secretariat** to send second draft of **WOA II** to **States**.

7 - 8 September 2020

Group of Experts reports to **Bureau** on changes made. Bureau approves the submission of **WOA II** to the **Ad Hoc Working Group**.

November 2020

Ad Hoc Working Group considers **WOA II** and its submission to the General Assembly at its 14th meeting.