

Notice to Mariners

Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Farm – Geophysical Surveys

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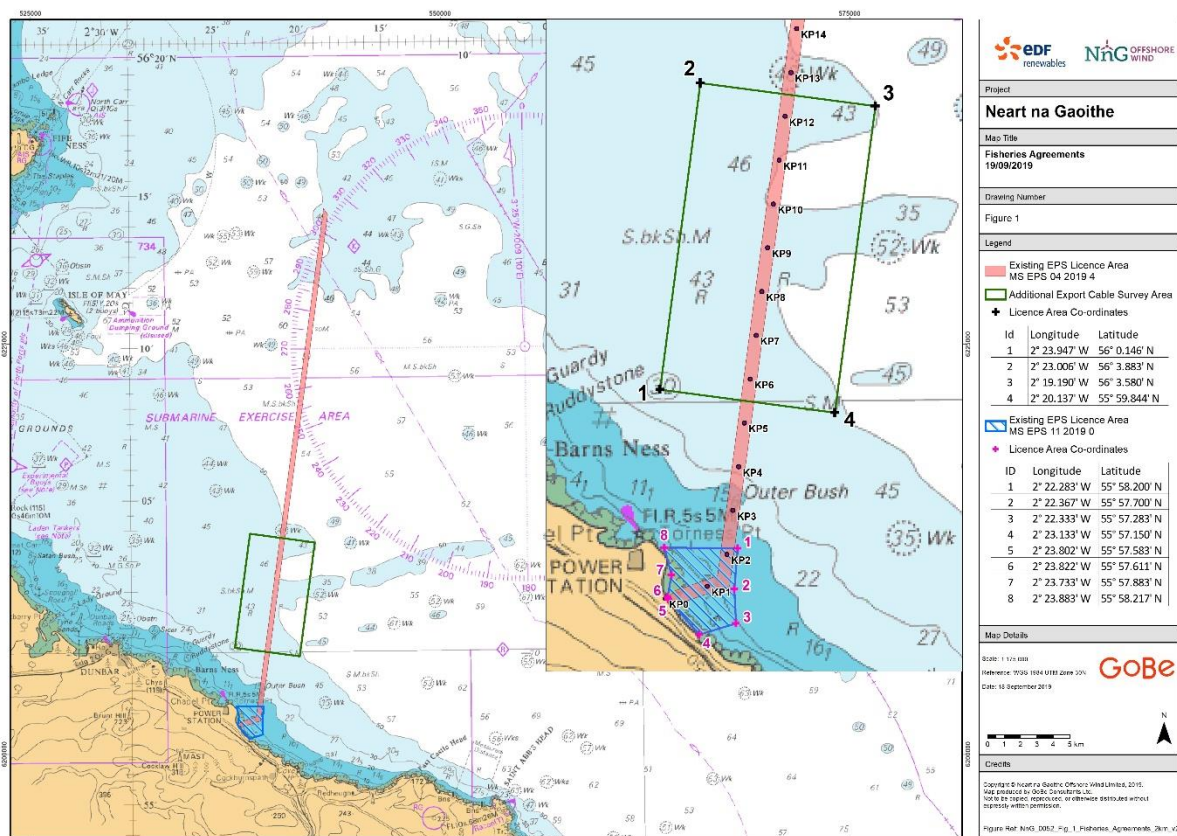
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Survey Campaign

Mariners are advised that geophysical surveys are ongoing within the boundaries of the Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Export Cable Corridor off the Firths of Forth and Tay and the nearshore area adjacent to the beach of Thorntonloch, as shown in the map below (not to be used for navigation) for the next 42 days approximately.

An extended survey area, between KP 5.5 and KP 12.5 along the Neart na Gaoithe Export Cable Corridor, is also to be surveyed. The survey work is being carried out by Fugro.

Note that this suite of surveys is now complete in the offshore wind farm area.



Up to three vessels will be present across the site at any one time, one of which is a guard vessel (further vessel details are provided on Page 3).

One vessel, Kommandor Stuart, will be undertaking the survey within the export cable corridor and additional export cable survey area shown in the figure above, starting on Friday 20th September. During this survey, equipment will be towed to a maximum of 200 metres behind the stern of the vessel down to a depth of no more than 5 metres above the seabed.

One vessel, Fugro Seeker, is undertaking surveys within the Nearshore Geophysical Survey Area, shown in the figure above. During this survey, equipment is towed approximately 100 metres behind the stern of the vessel down to a depth of no more than 5 metres above the seabed.

Area of Operations

The survey area is contained within the export cable corridor, additional export cable corridor survey area and nearshore survey area boundaries, defined by the following WGS84 coordinates:

Longitude (DD MM.MMM)	Latitude (DD.MM.MMM)
Export Cable Corridor	
002° 18.479' W	056° 14.546' N
002° 18.237' W	056° 14.349' N
002° 22.729' W	055° 57.866' N
002° 22.472' W	055° 57.734' N
002° 23.636' W	055° 57.693' N
002° 23.539' W	055° 57.541' N
002° 23.820' W	055° 57.609' N
002° 23.802' W	055° 57.584' N
Additional Export Cable Corridor Survey Area	
002° 23.047' W	056° 00.146' N
002° 23.006' W	056° 03.883' N
002° 19.190' W	056° 03.580' N
002° 20.137' W	056° 59.844' N
Nearshore Survey Area	
002° 22.283' W	055° 58.200' N
002° 22.367' W	055° 57.700' N
002° 22.333' W	055° 57.283' N
002° 23.133' W	055° 57.150' N
002° 23.802' W	055° 57.583' N
002° 23.822' W	055° 57.611' N
002° 23.733' W	055° 57.883' N
002° 23.883' W	055° 58.217' N

Schedule

The geophysical survey commenced on 24 May 2019 and will last approximately 42 days, ending on or before 29th October 2019.

Offshore survey operations will be 24/7, the nearshore survey, undertaken by the Fugro Seeker, will be working 12 hour operations and returning to the Port of Eyemouth at night.

Vessel Details

The survey vessels are:

- *Kommandor Stuart*, call sign MPQH3; and
- *Fugro Seeker*, call sign 2HCS2.

The survey will be supported by a guard vessel for fisheries liaison purposes. The guard vessel is either:

- *Artemis*, call sign MVIX5; or
- *Seagull*, call sign MVBO2.

The Fugro Seeker will have a dedicated Offshore Fisheries Liaison Officer (oFLO) on board at all times.

Vessels are requested to remain at least 500 metres away from the survey vessels.



Survey Vessel: *Kommandor Stuart*



Survey Vessel: *Fugro Seeker*



Guard Vessel: *Artemis*



Guard Vessel: *Seagull*

Port of Operation

Port of Leith

Port of Eyemouth

Contacts

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The OFLO is on the Fugro Seeker

Fugro Seeker:

16th -19th September & 24th – 27th September:

- Tel:- +44 (0) 7860 804316
- Email: anderson77@btinternet.com

20th – 23rd September & 28th September – 1st October:

- Tel:- +44 (0) 7921 236740
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The OFLO will issue regular broadcasts whilst the survey vessel is operating to ensure minimal disruption and that vessels maintain an appropriate and safe distance.

The Guard Vessel, Artemis, is currently on site and can be contacted as below, if required:

- Tel: +44 (0) 7949 663790 / +44 (0) 1261 455461
- Email: concordebf47@aol.com

Marine Co-ordination Centre:

- Tel: 07508421406 (this number is manned 24/7)

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