

# Survey - White Cross Offshore Wind Farm

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Type of notice: Activity Sector: Renewable Energy Category: Geophysical



## Summary

From the 29th of May 2022, N-SEA will be conducting geophysical, (limited) UXO and environmental surveys within the area.

## Description

Please be advised that from the 29th of May 2022, N-SEA will be conducting geophysical, (limited) UXO and environmental surveys within the area provided. The survey consists of an offshore windfarm location, and its export cable route corridor. The geophysical and UXO survey will employ MBES, SSS, High-resolution Sub-Bottom Profiler, Single Channel Sparker and Magnetometers. The environmental survey will acquire drop down video footage and grab samples. Sparker operations are limited to the OFW only.

The offshore works will be completed by N-Sea personnel on the survey vessel 'Braveheart Spirit' and the 'Geo Focus'. Full vessel details are presented in the Notice to Mariners.

The 'Geo Focus' will arrive end of May in the field, while the 'Braveheart Spirit' is expected to join operations mid June.

All environmental sampling will be executed by N-Sea subcontractor Ocean Ecology.

The survey operations involve towed survey equipment (SSS, Magnetometer and Sparker), and no equipment will be left on the seabed.

This notification is intended for circulation to all interested parties undertaking or managing activities in the vicinity of the planned survey works. If you would like further details regarding the surveys please contact the N-Sea project manager using the contact details at the head of this communication.

### Liaison and General Operational Principles

- 1. The survey contractor will ensure advance notice of survey works is provided to all marine users.
- 2. As near-shore areas have the potential to hold higher densities of static fishing gear, all survey operations will be undertaken during daylight hours.
- 3. Where considered appropriate, a Fisheries Liaison Officer will be used to provide advice to the survey contractors and facilitate liaison with the fishing industry.
- 4. During liaison, should areas of high fishing density be identified, best efforts will be made to modify survey plans (either the location of survey sites or timing of operations) to avoid damage to both survey and fishing gear.

## Locations

Title: Array survey area

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#### **Coordinates:**

1 - 51°12.522'N 005°25.014'W 2 - 51°13.106'N 005°18.034'W 3 - 51°09.326'N 005°17.238'W 4 - 51°09.241'N 005°18.388'W 5 - 51°02.664'N 005°17.006'W 6 - 51°02.178'N 005°22.815'W 7 - 51°12.522'N 005°25.014'W

Title: Export Cable Route Corridor (centreline +- 500m) Coordinates:

1 - 51°06.148'N 005°17.737'W 2 - 51°07.596'N 005°10.255'W 3 - 51°07.588'N 005°09.999'W 4 - 51°06.781'N 004°57.016'W 5 - 51°06.567'N 004°52.690'W 6 - 51°06.742'N 004°43.674'W 7 - 51°07.530'N 004°37.912'W 8 - 51°07.598'N 004°30.153'W 10 - 51°05.353'N 004°22.146'W 11 - 51°06.111'N 004°16.690'W 12 - 51°05.663'N 004°13.312'W 13 - 51°05.663'N 004°13.389'W

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