

Notice to Mariners

OfTI Marine Licence Commencement of Works and Nearshore Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) Diving Works– OEC – January 2023

Moray West Offshore Wind Farm

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Activity	Nearshore HDD Diving Works

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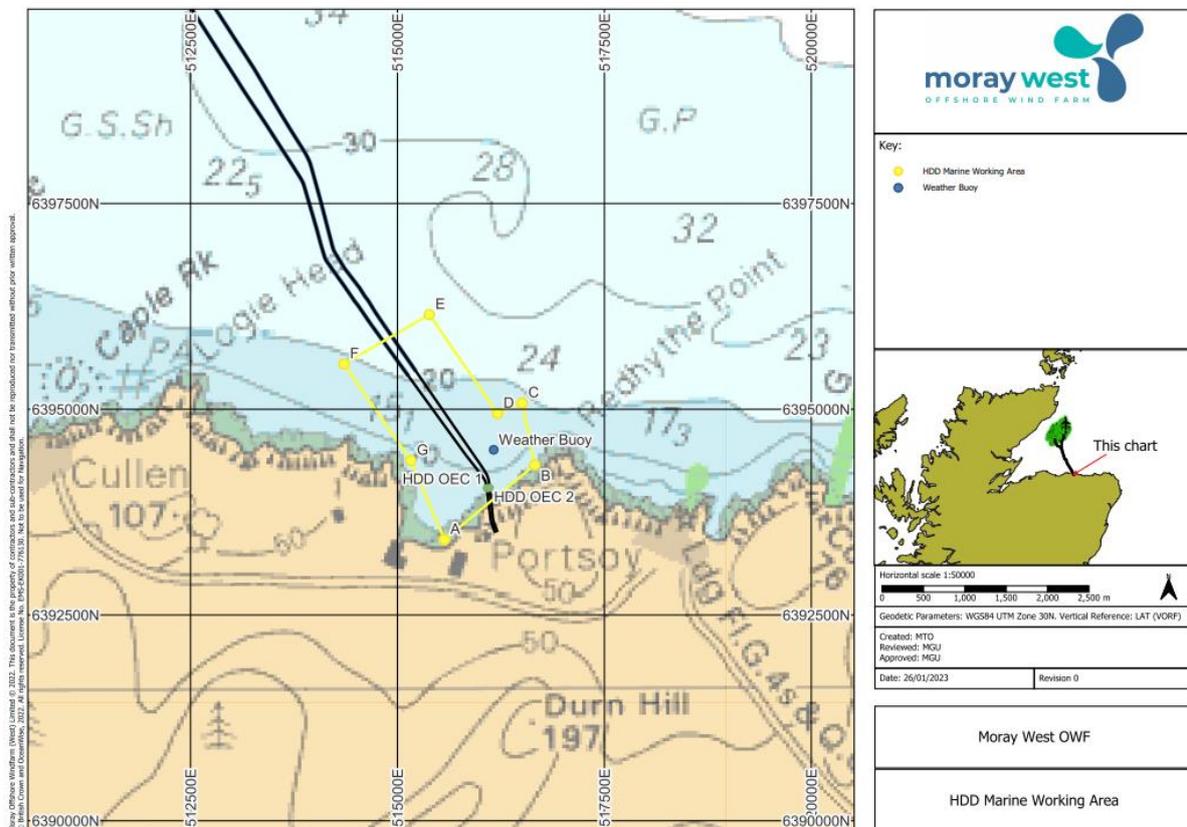
Version	Issue Date	Status	Updates
01	22 December 2022	Final	First Issue
02	6 February 2023	Final	Second Issue (Update on commencement of works, Pioner support vessel & Final mooring plan included)

1. Introduction

This is an amended version of the notice to mariners originally issued on 22 December 2022 and is to inform that Moray Offshore Windfarm (West) Limited (Moray West) will be commencing construction works of the Moray West Offshore Wind Farm Offshore Transmission Infrastructure (OfTI Marine Licence MS-00009813) on the revised date of no earlier than 6 February 2023, with the first construction works being carrying out nearshore horizontal directional drilling (HDD) diving works from a vessel at the Moray West Offshore Wind Farm Export Cable Corridor.

Whilst the Moray West wind farm site located on the Smith Bank in the Outer Moray Firth, approximately 22.5km from the Caithness coastline, the shore end of the export cable routes is close to the town of Portsoy as shown in (Figure 1)

Figure 1. Moray West Wind Farm Export Cable Corridor HDD nearshore area - Location of the works



The HDD diving vessel works are to take place within the yellow (HDD Marine Working Area) boundary shown in the figure above.

The works are anticipated to commence no earlier than, **6 February 2023**, and HDD diving works duration is forecasted to be completed around **late April 2023**, but the exact HDD diving works duration and completion date will depend on weather and progress of the works.

On completion of the HDD diving works, the weather buoy and marker buoy will be deployed by Isle of Jura.

2. Nearshore HDD works

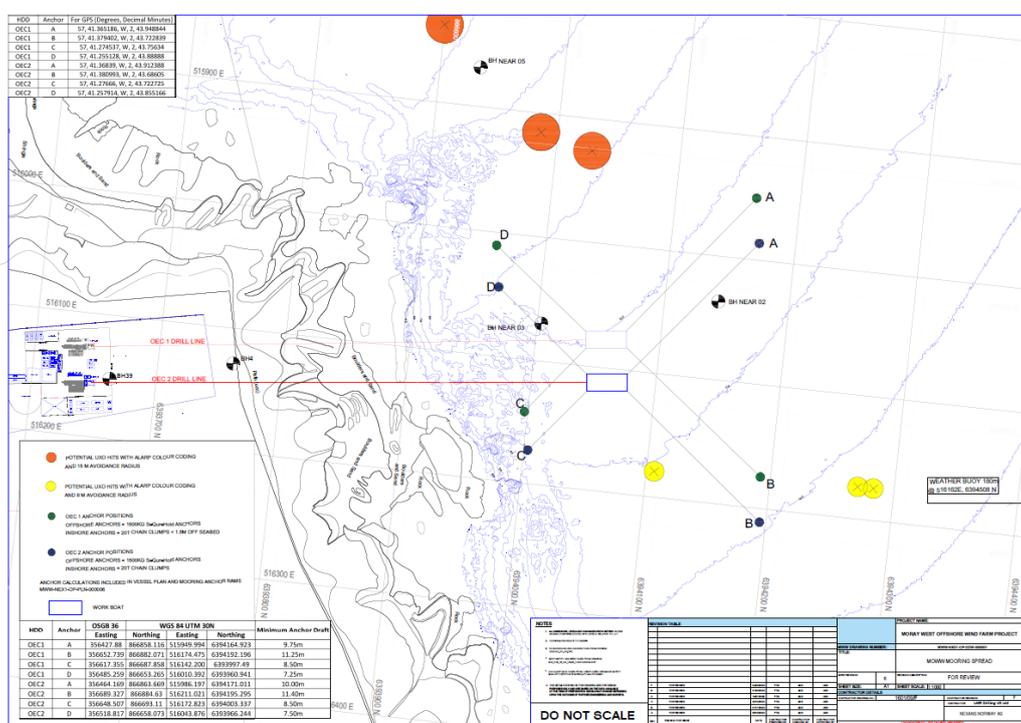
Scope of work to include deployment of the diving vessel four-point mooring system to support two HDD duct ends preparatory works at nearshore, utilising the diving vessel Isle of Jura (supported by Seafast Don (Ex Dalby Don) as the crew transfer vessel and Pioner as support vessel) and will remain in place until all nearshore HDD diving works are complete. The coordinates of the HDD diving works area presented in the below Table 1 (these are the same as presented in Figure 1 above).

Table 1. Coordinates of proposed HDD diving works

HDD Diving works area - Coordinates				
Site ID	UTM30(N) Easting (m)	UTM30(N) Northing (m)	WGS84 Latitude	WGS84 Longitude
A	515567	6393417	57° 40.963N	002° 44.336W
B	516659	6394324	57° 41.450N	002° 43.233W
C	516506	6395076	57° 41.856N	002° 43.384W
D	516208	6394949	57° 41.787N	002° 43.685W
E	515385	6396150	57° 42.436N	002° 44.509W
F	514353	6395551	57° 42.116N	002° 45.550W
G	515161	6394377	57° 41.482N	002° 44.741W

Isle of Jura four-point mooring system arrangement at each nearshore HDD duct ends are presented in the below Figure 2.

Figure 2. Moray West Wind Farm Export Cable Corridor Shore End. Location of the works & mooring plan



3. General Safety Advice

Please be aware that, during the HDD work activities, by virtue of its mode of operation the Dive support vessel Isle of Jura will be Restricted in her Ability to Manoeuvre (RAM) and will also display the flag ALPHA and appropriate day shapes while diving operations are taking place as defined under COLREGs (International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972, Rule 3). Masters of vessels are therefore requested to maintain their vessels and gears at a minimum safe passing distance from the vessel of 500 metres when it is undertaking work and showing the appropriate shapes and lights in accordance with COLREGs Rule 27 In order to not compromise the safety of the Isle of Jura and their crew, and the ability to undertake its contracted works.

4. Vessel Information

Nearshore HDD diving operations will be carried out by the diving vessel Isle of Jura.

Isle of Jura will carry out the two HDD duct ends preparatory works at nearshore utilising onboard diving spread moored at HDD duct ends punchout locations by deploying the vessel four-point mooring system.

Table 2. Isle of Jura General Information

Vessel Name	Isle of Jura
MMSI Number	232021966
Operating Company	Seafast Maritime Ltd
Vessel Call Sign	MFFY6
Vessel Mobile Phone Number	+881641499304
Vessel Email Address	jura@seafastltd.co.uk

Figure 3. Isle of Jura



The diving vessel Isle of Jura will be supported by Seafast Don (Ex Dalby Don) as the crew transfer vessel and Pioner to assist during the works as support vessel mainly for rope handling.

Table 3. Seafast Don (Dalby Don) General Information

Vessel Name	Seafast Don (Ex Dalby Don)
MMSI Number	232044406
Operating Company	Seafast Maritime Ltd
Vessel Call Sign	MMMD6
Vessel Mobile Phone Number	+44 (0) 07817545859
Vessel Email Address	Bobby.mitchell@seafastltd.co.uk

Figure 4. Seafast Don (Ex Dalby Don)



Table 4. Pioner General Information

Vessel Name	Pioner
Operating Company	Seafast Maritime Ltd
Vessel Mobile Phone Number	+ 44 (0) 7936910623
Vessel Email Address	jura@seafastltd.co.uk

Figure 5. Pioner



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