

# Notice to Mariners

## Vessels and General Safety Advice

### **Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution (SHEPD) ED2 Cable Installation Works: Jura - Islay**

**Date of Issue: 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

Please be advised that Briggs Marine Contractors (on behalf of SHEPD) will be installing a new cable between Islay and Jura. Please refer to Figure 1, that shows the location of the planned works, please also refer to Table 1 overleaf that lists the coordinates for the area.

Pre-Lay Grapnel Run (PLGR) for route clearance of debris is to be carried out across the cable installation route between 17<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> July (weather permitting).

Cable installation will commence between 29<sup>th</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> August (weather permitting). The Cable Lay Vessel will be assisted at the shore ends by Celtic Guardian, Celtic Mara, Celtic Nomad and Celtic Trader, regularly passing inside the working corridor for crew transfers and supporting nearshore cable landing operations.

Rock bag installation will take place between 9 – 14<sup>th</sup> August (weather permitting).

#### **Legal Notice**

Please be advised that this Notice to Mariners should be treated as official notice of the nature, duration and location of the works which are scheduled to take place. During the period of this notice, we request that you plan your activities around our short-term, temporary activities.

Any failure to remove equipment or entry into the identified location in a manner that would constitute a hazard may be a breach of your duties of safe seamanship as described in the Convention on International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972 and/or the Merchant Shipping Act 1995, and may result in removal of the relevant equipment. Failure to remove equipment or entry into the identified location in a manner that would constitute a hazard may constitute a breach of duty of care at common law, and a failure to protect submarine cables for successful seabed user co-existence under Scotland's National Marine Plan.

**SHEPD shall found on this notice in the event of any damage, loss or disruption arising from failure to heed the information herein.**

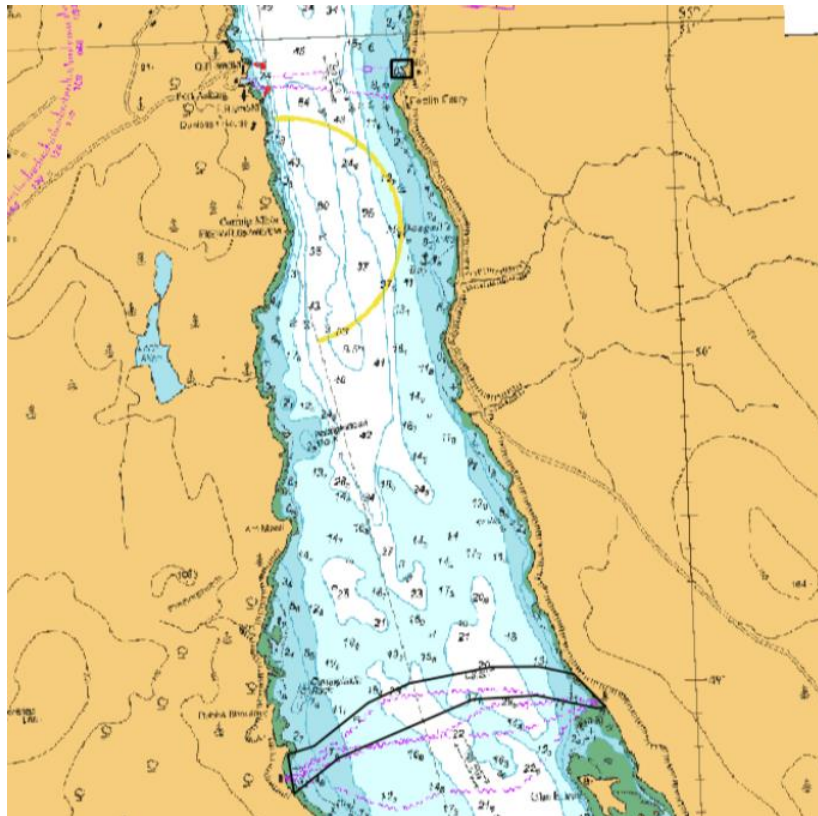






Figure 1 - Admiralty chart showing installation area + Landing Craft slipway (Jura)

Point	Latitude	Longitude
<b>WGS 84 Geographic</b>		
1	55° 48.828' N	6° 6.219' W
2	55° 48.850' N	6° 6.076' W
3	55° 48.974' N	6° 5.774' W
4	55° 49.028' N	6° 5.546' W
5	55° 49.067' N	6° 5.099' W
6	55° 49.063' N	6° 4.846' W
7	55° 49.035' N	6° 4.658' W
8	55° 48.932' N	6° 4.491' W
9	55° 48.929' N	6° 4.539' W
10	55° 48.975' N	6° 4.862' W
11	55° 48.971' N	6° 5.207' W
12	55° 48.844' N	6° 5.793' W
13	55° 48.811' N	6° 5.944' W
14	55° 48.708' N	6° 6.193' W
15	55° 48.828' N	6° 6.219' W

Table 1 – Installation corridor boundary

	<p><b>Landing Craft</b> <b>Spanish John II</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 20m LOA</li> <li>- 6.5m beam</li> <li>- 12-hour operations</li> </ul> <p>MMSI: 235010076 Callsign: VQQM2</p>
	<p><b>PLGR</b> <b>Forth Warrior</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 27.3 LOA</li> <li>- 11.5m beam</li> <li>- 3.06 Draft</li> </ul> <p>MMSI: 235116011 Callsign: 2JHR8</p>
	<p><b>Cable Lay Vessel</b> <b>SeaCor Nile</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 27.3 LOA</li> <li>- 11.5m beam</li> <li>- 3.06 Draft</li> </ul> <p>MMSI: 235116011 Callsign: 2JHR8</p>
	<p><b>Support</b></p> <p>Celtic Guardian</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 14m length</li> <li>- 4.3m beam</li> <li>- 0.7m draft</li> </ul>





**Support**

- Celtic Trader  
 - 10.3m length  
 - 3.3m beam  
 - 0.5m draft



**Support**

- Celtic Mara  
 - 11m length  
 - 3.4m beam  
 - 0.5m draft



**Support**

- Celtic Nomad  
 -11m length  
 -3.4m beam  
 -0.5m draft



**Rock Bag Installation  
Hydro Patriot**

- 73.6 LOA
- 16.3m beam
- 5.8 Draft

MMSI: 257884000  
 Callsign: LGJX3


**Dive Support Vessel  
 Challenger of Leith**

- 15.1m LOA
- 6.6m beam
- 1.7 Draft

MMSI: 235058132

Callsign: 2AAD3

**Table 2 - Vessel Specification**
**Work Description**

During operations the vessels Seacor Nile, Forth Warrior, Hydro Patriot + Challenger of Leith will be restricted in ability to manoeuvre. Whilst operations will seek to minimise disruption on the width of the main navigation channel, some disruption may be unavoidable during operations within the working corridor.

Operations may be conducted on a 24-hour basis and are weather/tide dependent.

Should any vessel wish to come within 500m of the vessels, then direct communication with the Master/Operator is required. The vessels will display the appropriate lights/day shapes for their operations.

**Primary Equipment for Cable Lay Activities**

Activity	Equipment	Vessel
Landing Craft	Vessel crane	Spanish John II
PLGR	PLGR/Survey Spread	Forth Warrior
Cable lay Activities	Cable lay/ROV/Survey spread	Seacor Nile
Rock Bag Installation	Rock Bag/Survey spread	Hydro Patriot
Dive Support Vessel	Vessel crane	Challenger of Leith

**Contact Details**

The contact details are given in the tables below:

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**Fisheries Liaison Officers**

Fishing liaison for the cable installation works will be co-ordinated by Brown and May Marine (BMM). For any commercial fishery queries please contact the Company Fishing Liaison Officers (CFLOs) Alex Winrow-Giffin on 07760 160039, alex@brownmay.com or Meg Kalafat on 07702 710176, meg.kalafat@brownmay.com.

The local Fishing Industries Representative (FIR) George White (07761 87396), georgewhite0@gmail.com will also be in place to liaise with the vessels and fishing operations in the area. The FIR shall liaise directly with commercial fishery interests to advise of any fishing gear clearance requests.

**Further Details**

Further enquiries should be addressed to the following people:

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**Distribution List**

Any stakeholders identified within the relevant Fishing Liaison Management Action Plan (FLMAP), will be included on the distribution list for this NtM.