Notice to Mariners

Vessel & General Safety Advice

Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution (SHEPD)

Replacement Cable Route, Gunna Sound

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

On the instruction of Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution [herein SHEPD], a survey campaign is required to provide detailed information on the seabed characteristics of within Gunna Sound to enable a route engineering feasibility study to be undertaken as part of a planned submarine cable installation project between Coll and Tiree.

The survey area is a 300m corridor, defined by the coordinates listed in Table 1.

Point Number	Latitude [WGS 84]	Longitude [WGS 84]
1	56°34'14.99"N	06°42'1.43"W
2	56°32'57.44"N	06°43'38.54"W
3	56°32'55.67"N	06°42'42.16"W
4	56°33'47.76"N	06°41'40.67"W

One of two MCA Category III vessels - Marine Sensor or Coastal Sensor will be utilised on the project, detailed overleaf.

Survey operations at this location is expected to commence within w/c 30th September 2024, with an anticipated duration of 21 days.

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.

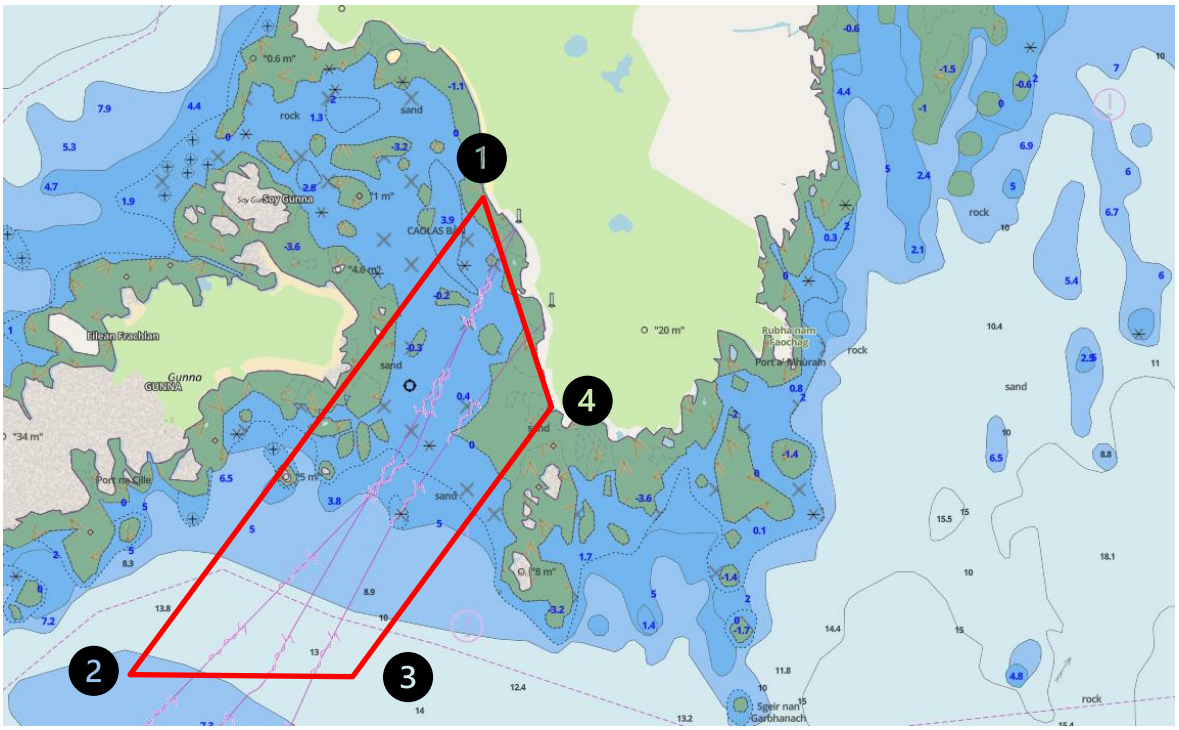
Failure to remove equipment or entry into the identified location in a manner that would constitute a hazard may constitute a breach of duty of care at common law, and a failure to protect submarine cables for successful seabed user co-existence under Scotland's National Marine Plan.

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

LOCATION DETAILS

The working extents are shown in Figure 1.

CABLE ROUTE SURVEY AREA, GUNNA SOUND



Proposed Dates	Vessel Scope	Vessel
30.09.2024 - 20.10.2024	Geophysical Survey	Marine Sensor Coastal Sensor

FIGURE 1 - OVERWATER SURVEY EXTENTS: COLL APPROACHES, GUNNA SOUND

VESSEL DETAILS

The vessels conducting these works will be restricted in their ability to manoeuvre and will display the appropriate lights and shapes.

Other vessels are requested to pass at a safe speed and provide a minimum clearance of 500m (COLREGs Rule 16 & 18) during marine operations.

All vessels will monitor VHF Channel 16 throughout survey operations. Mobile contacts for the vessels are listed at the end of this NtM.

Vessel Photo	Vessel Description
	**Marine Sensor** LOA: 6.9m Beam: 2.5m Draft: 0.3m Call Sign: MLLR2 MMSI No: 235033255 VHF: 16

Vessel Photo	Vessel Description
	**Coastal Sensor** LOA: 6.1m Beam: 2m Draft: 0.3m Call Sign: 2BRB2 MMSI No: 235068593 VHF: 16

CONTACT DETAILS

Vessel management contact details are given in the table below.

Name & Designation	Organisation	Contact Number	Email
Andrew McCormick Fleet Manager	Aspect Land & Hydrographic Surveys	01294 313 399 07796 171 320	amccormick@aspectsurveys.com
Scott Norman HSEQ Manager	Aspect Land & Hydrographic Surveys	01294 313 399 07516 801 268	snorman@aspectsurveys.com
General Office	Aspect Land & Hydrographic Surveys	01294 313 399	mail@aspectsurveys.com

FISHING LIAISON OFFICERS

Fishing liaison for the survey operations will be co-ordinated by Brown and May Marine (BMM). For any commercial fishery queries please contact the Company Fishing Liaison Officer (CFLO) Alex Winrow-Giffin (07760 160039 / alex@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 vessel master will issue regular broadcasts whilst survey works are ongoing to ensure minimal disruption and that vessels maintain an appropriate and safe distance.

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