

Notice to Mariners

Vessels and General Safety Advice

Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution (SHEPD)

ED2 Cable Installation Works: Southern Loch Linnhe, Loch A' Choire – Kilmalieu

Update notice to reflect completion of shore end works and split pipe operations, updated dates & trenching vessel details.

Date of Issue: 19th September 2025

Please be advised that Briggs Marine Contractors (on behalf of SHEPD) have installed two new subsea cables between Southern Loch Linnhe, Loch A'Choire - Kilmalieu. Please refer to Figure 1, that shows the location of the planned works. Please also refer to Table 2 overleaf that lists the coordinates for the area.

The cable lay has been completed by the Blue Sky and supporting installation vessels. Split pipe protection has been completed by divers. The following post-lay operations are still to be completed:

- Rock bag installation.
- Trenching operations.

Two cables are on the seabed surface unprotected pending trenching operations due to commence mid-September. Guard vessel Spes Bonas will be on site from the 22nd August until trenching operations commence.

Please refer to Table 1 that lists scope of work, estimated date range and the relevant vessels that will be utilised. As work progresses, further updates will be provided.

	Estimated date range	Relevant vessels
Rock bag installation	19 th October – 31 st October	TBC
Trenching	19 th October – 31 st October	North Sea Enabler

Table 1 - Scope of work, estimated date range and vessels

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.

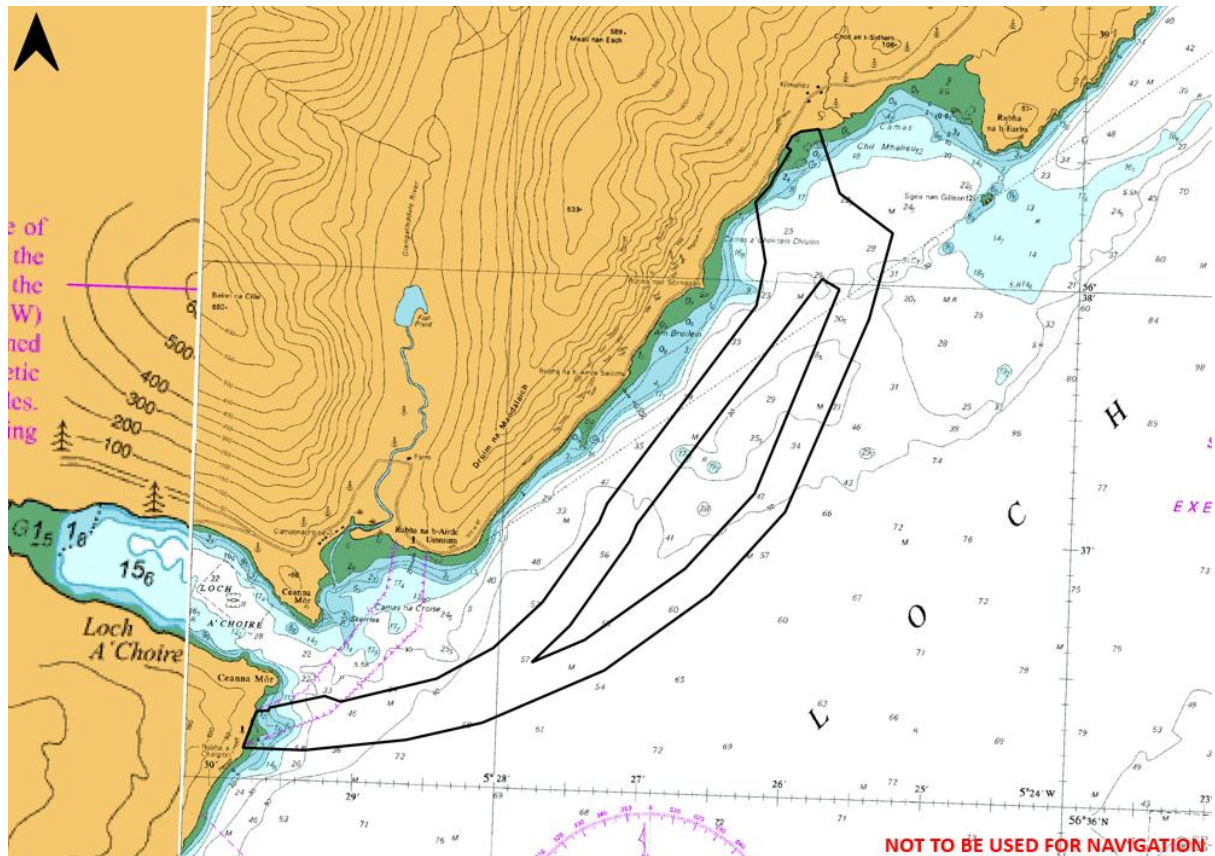


Figure 1 - Admiralty chart showing installation area with the installation corridor marked out

Latitude (DDM) WGS84	Longitude (DDM) WGS84
56° 38.203' N	005° 25.333' W
56° 37.866' N	005° 25.478' W
56° 37.108' N	005° 26.021' W
56° 36.778' N	005° 26.528' W
56° 36.469' N	005° 27.253' W
56° 36.250' N	005° 28.095' W
56° 36.172' N	005° 28.631' W
56° 36.118' N	005° 29.342' W
56° 36.119' N	005° 29.774' W
56° 36.263' N	005° 29.687' W
56° 36.266' N	005° 29.604' W
56° 36.278' N	005° 29.596' W
56° 36.331' N	005° 29.213' W
56° 36.312' N	005° 29.097' W
56° 36.414' N	005° 28.431' W
56° 36.540' N	005° 28.039' W
56° 36.724' N	005° 27.706' W
56° 37.042' N	005° 27.327' W
56° 37.116' N	005° 27.275' W
56° 37.903' N	005° 26.275' W
56° 38.073' N	005° 26.221' W

56° 38.305' N	005° 26.306' W
56° 38.373' N	005° 26.203' W
56° 38.405' N	005° 26.180' W
56° 38.512' N	005° 26.070' W
56° 38.519' N	005° 26.095' W
56° 38.527' N	005° 26.103' W
56° 38.533' N	005° 26.094' W
56° 38.564' N	005° 26.066' W
56° 38.585' N	005° 26.005' W
56° 38.596' N	005° 25.878' W
56° 38.351' N	005° 25.717' W
56° 38.203' N	005° 25.333' W
56° 38.016' N	005° 25.819' W
56° 37.979' N	005° 25.695' W
56° 37.041' N	005° 27.060' W
56° 36.972' N	005° 27.108' W
56° 36.585' N	005° 27.399' W
56° 36.490' N	005° 27.766' W
56° 36.638' N	005° 27.506' W
56° 36.875' N	005° 26.710' W
56° 37.176' N	005° 26.239' W

Table 2 – Installation corridor boundary

	<p>Guard Vessel</p> <p>Spes Bona</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 15 m LOA - 6 m beam - 3.7 m draft <p>MMSI: 235074945 Callsign: 2CQP4</p>
	<p>Trenching vessel</p> <p>North Sea Enabler</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 96 m LOA - 20 m beam - 6 m draft <p>MMSI: 257974000 Callsign: LAYT8</p>

Figure 2 - Vessel Specification

Work Description

During operations the vessels Rock bag and North Sea Enabler will be restricted in their 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 will be conducted over 24 hours 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. Vessels will display the appropriate lights/day shapes for their operations.

Primary Equipment for Activities

Activity	Equipment	Vessel
Rock Bag Installation	Rock Bag/ Survey spread/ vessel crane	TBC
Trenching	Trenching equipment/ROV/Survey spread/vessel crane	North Sea Enabler

Contact Details

The contact details are given in the tables below:

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Fisheries Liaison Officers

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Further Details

Further enquiries should be addressed to the following people:

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Distribution List

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