

NOTICE TO MARINERS



Notice of environmental study activities on Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm

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Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm – PELAgIO Offshore Windfarm Environmental Study.

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1. Area of Planned Activity.

Marine Scotland Science intend to undertake Offshore Wind Farm environmental surveys around the Seagreen Offshore Windfarm site, and wider Firth of Forth and Tay areas as part of the PELAgIO programme of works. PELAgIO is a three-year project, led by the University of Aberdeen and co-funded by the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) and The Crown Estate (TCE), that will help improve understanding of how OWFs may influence marine productivity and, consequently, fish, bird, and marine mammal distributions.

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2. Activity Description

As part of the survey activity three seabed frames shall be deployed within the Seagreen site boundary in the coordinates shown below in table 1 and fig 1. The frame/mooring all have an acoustic release & recovery system. Mooring M4_WBAT has an associated groundline and thermistor chain, the attached polyester line contains mini CTD sensors, the mooring arrangement is shown below in fig 2, the surface mark shall display a yellow light, flashing 5 every 20s, range 4 nautical miles.

The moorings shall be laid by the research vessel Scotia, which is expected on site on Thursday the 2nd of May to lay moorings M0_WBAT & M4_WBAT. the mooring operation is expected to be completed within 24 hours. Mooring M3_WBAT shall be laid at a date later in May which will be confirmed in a revision to this notice.

ID	Latitude (DDM WGS 84)	Longitude (DDM WGS 84)
Seabed Frame M0_WBAT	56° 32.700' N	001° 30.300' W
Seabed Frame M4_WBAT	56° 32.868' N	001° 31.586' W
Seabed Frame M3_WBAT	56° 32.350' N	001° 31.040' W

Table 1 – Survey item coordinates

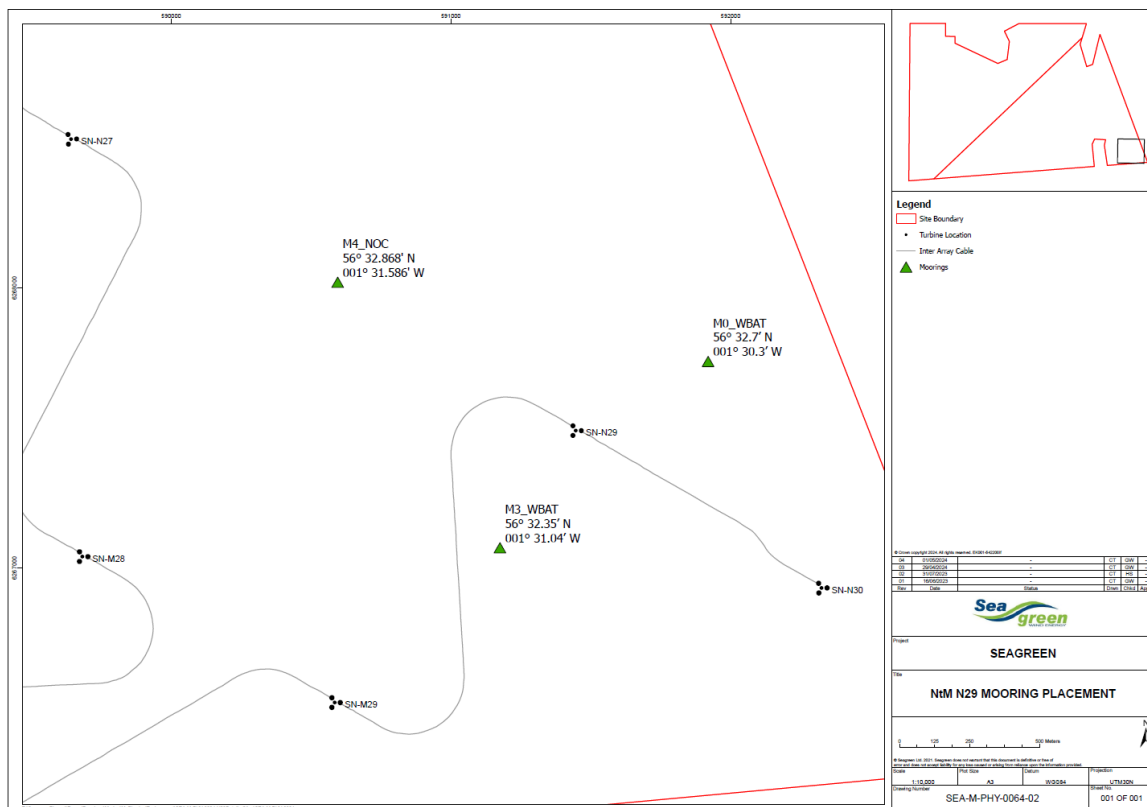


Fig 1 – Seabed frame locations and coordinates.

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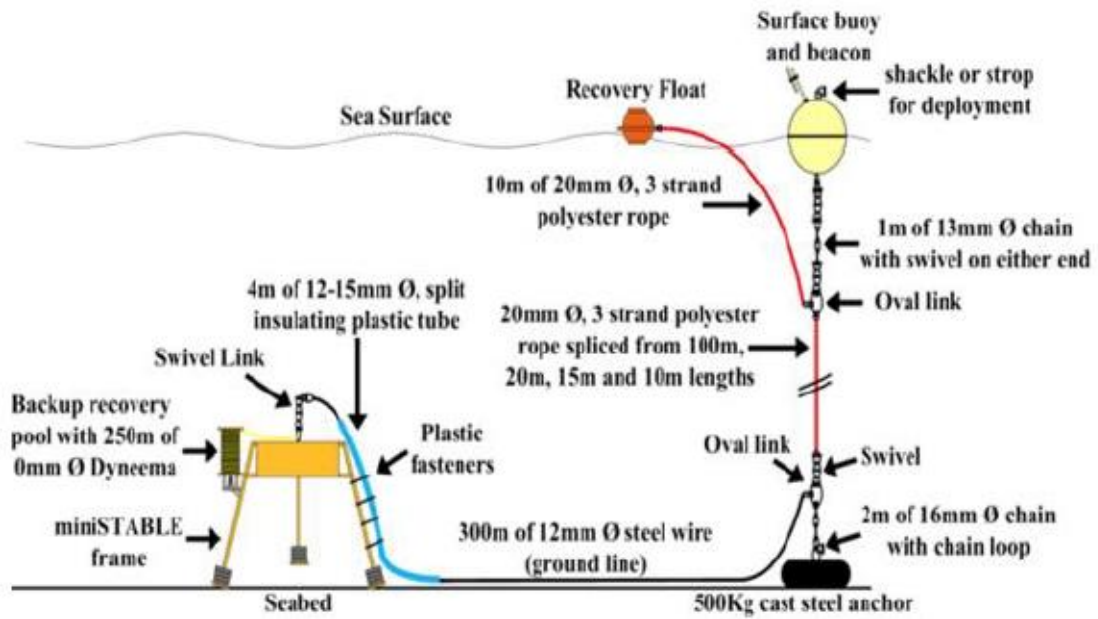


Fig 2 – Seabed frame locations and coordinates.

3. Vessel Details

Vessel – MRV Scotia	Contact Details	
	Call Sign	MXHR6
	MMSI	234973000
	Vessel Details	
	Length	68.6m
	Beam	15.0m
	Draft	6.1m
	Vessel Contact	Graeme.watters@sse.com

4. Safety Zones

Following consideration by Scottish government ministers it has been agreed that during the construction phases of the Seagreen development mandatory rolling 500m safety zones will be established around each Wind Turbine Generator and/or their foundations whilst construction works are in progress, as indicated by the presence of a construction vessel. The safety zones will be triggered whenever a vessel is on station at a WTG and undertaking construction activities.

In addition, mandatory pre commissioning 50m safety zones will be established around each Wind Turbine Generator and/or their foundations when construction works have been completed but prior to Wind Farm commissioning or where construction works have only been partially completed. These safety zones will be active at any structure during the construction phase where a construction vessel is not present at a Wind Turbine Generator.

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MARINERS ARE REMINDED to navigate with caution and keep continued watch on VHF Ch.70/16 when navigating the area.

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