

# Marine Notice No. 25 of 2022

Notice to all Shipowners, Fishing Vessel Owners, Agents, Shipmasters, Skippers, Fishers, Yachtsmen and Seafarers

# Arklow Long Sea Outfall Project

## 1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that Van Oord Ireland are due to commence operations on the Arklow Long Sea Outfall project. The long sea outfall will be approximately 1000 metres in length and have a diameter of 630mm and will be laid in a pre-excavated trench. The current schedule for installation works of the pipeline is from **17 May until end of July 2022**, weather dependent.

From approximately **17 May 2022**, three HDPE pipelines each of 309m in length will be towed as a bundle from open sea to the North Quay – Arklow, where these HDPE pipe strings will be moored off alongside the North quay and worked on, until the pipe installation in mid-June.

During pipe installation the harbour entrance will have limited availability to other traffic for 48 hours.

Dredging works are planned to commence on the **28 May 2022** – subject to weather. Prior to that survey works will be performed in the period of **25 May until 30 May 2022**.

### 2. Location of Activity

The operations will take place in the locations indicated in the Table below. Further location information is available in Appendix 1.

	Latitude	Longitude
А	52°47.661' N	006°08.458' W
В	52°47.779' N	006°07.700' W
С	52°47.831' N	006°07.722' W
D	52°47.715' N	006°08.471' W
E	52°47.839' N	006°08.457' W

#### 3. Details of the Survey Vessels

The operations will be conducted by the following vessels:

"RAZENDE BOL" Backhoe dredger (call sign PFSD),
"AMS RETRIVER" shoal Buster (call sign MEHI8),
"HUSKY" Tug (call sign 2EQI7),
"ROS AINE" landing craft (call sign EI-2G-5),
and "VALDEMER" M Tug (call sign OUCG2).

Around **17 May 2022** Tug Valdemar will arrive offshore where lead tug AMS Retriever and assisting tail tug Husky will join the tow. The tow towards Arklow Harbour will take the normal navigation route into the Avoca river mouth, guided by lead tug AMS Retriever and tail tug Husky. Tow arrives at the North Quay (East of Marina), locking in.

Note that all vessels will keep a VHF radio listening watch on CH. 16.

#### 4. Additional Information.

Enquiries regarding the contents of this Marine Notice, or any other matters related to this survey works, should be directed to:

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All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the **International Collision Regulations** and are reminded of <u>Marine Notice No. 17 of 2007</u>, which gives general advice in relation to the activities of vessels engaged in survey work for hydrographic, seismic, fishing research and underwater operations.

The International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) are implemented in Irish law by the *Merchant Shipping* (*Collision Regulations*) (*Ships and Water Craft on the Water*) Order 2012 [S.I. No. 507 of 2012], and the *Signals of Distress* (*Ships*) *Rules 2012* [S.I. No.170 of 2012]. <u>See Marine Notice No. 06 of 2013</u>. These Statutory Instruments may be purchased by mail order from Government Publications, Office of Public Works, 52 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 6476834/1890-213434. They are also available online at: <u>www.irishstatutebook.ie.</u>

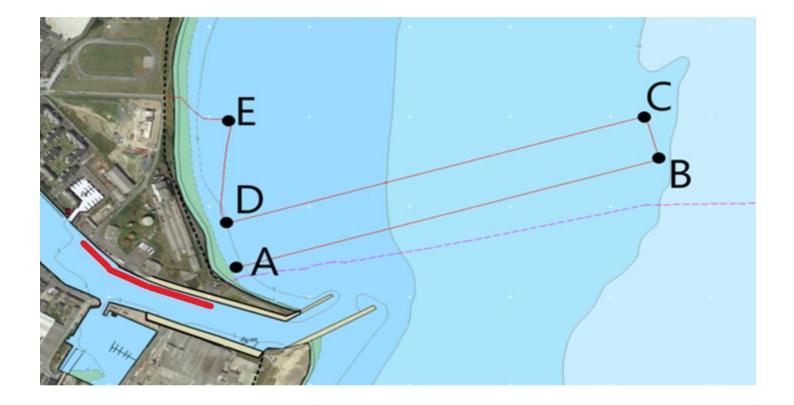
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#### Encl: Appendix 1 Arklow Work Area

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# Appendix 1 Arklow Work Area



#### **Towed Configuration**

