

# Marine Notice No. 78 of 2022

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

# Oriel Wind Farm Ultra-High-Resolution Geophysical Survey off County Louth in the Irish Sea.

## 1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that an Ultra High Resolution Geophysical Survey will be carried out in the Oriel Wind Farm array area off County Louth in the Irish Sea to provide bathymetric and subsurface information to facilitate the development of the wind farm. The survey work is anticipated to start on **18 November 2022** and to be completed by **mid-December 2022**, subject to weather and operational constraints.

#### 2. Location of Activity

The survey work will be confined to the Oriel Wind Farm array area, which is located between Dunany Point and the Cooley peninsula as shown in the map in Appendix 1, with the maximum extent of the surveys indicated by the hatched zone. The survey coordinates are provided by the corner points in the table below:

Corner	Latitude	Longitude
W	53° 55' 20" N	006° 06' 30" W
SW	53° 53' 17 N	006° 05' 25" W
SE	53° 53' 13 N	006° 02' 54'' W
NW	53° 56' 52 N	006° 05' 32'' W
NE	53° 56' 48 N	006° 02' 28" W
E	53° 55' 13 N	006° 01' 39" W

## 3. Details of the Survey Vessel

The survey will be conducted by the "**Fastnet Pelican**" (Callsign: 2FNX7), which is a shallow draft survey vessel. The vessel will be engaged in survey operations and will be restricted in its ability to manoeuvre due to the deployment of towed survey equipment up to 100 metres astern. All vessels operating within this area are requested to leave a wide berth. The vessel will display appropriate lights and signals. The operations will be conducted during daylight hours. Mariners are advised to keep continuous watch on VHF radio channel 16 when navigating the area.

# 4. Contact Details

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All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the **International Collision Regulations** and 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]. See Marine Notice No. 06 of 2013. 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: www.irishstatutebook.ie

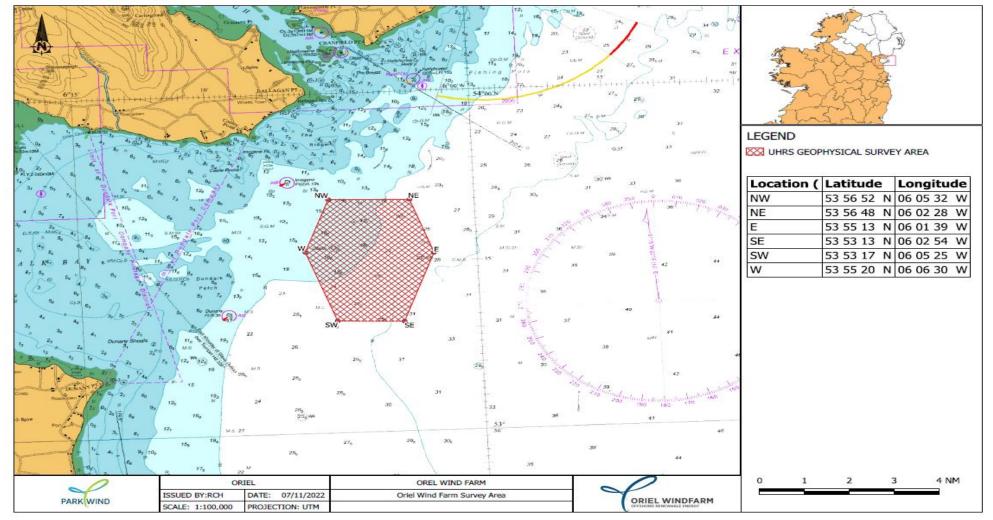
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Encl: Appendix 1 Oriel Wind Farm array area which is located between Dunany Point and the Cooley peninsula

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