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Notice of Survey Activity on Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm

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Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm – PrePARED survey of fine-scaled fish distributions in the Firth of Forth & Tay areas.

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1. Area of Planned Activity.

Mariners are advised that the Scottish Government's Marine Directorate (MD, formerly Marine Scotland Science) intend to undertake a 6-day survey of fine-scale fish distributions around and within the Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm, as part of the PrePARED programme of works. Coordinates of the survey locations are listed in the attached document and shown below in fig1.

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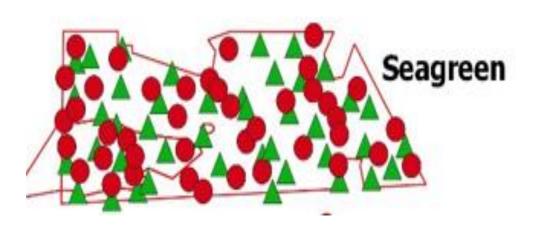


Fig 1 – Fish trap locations red circle, BRUV green triangle.

2. Activity Description

PrePARED is a four-year partnership, led by MD and co-funded by Crown Estate Scotland, that will help improve understanding of how seabirds, marine mammals and fish respond to offshore wind farms. During this survey a number of **fish traps** and **Baited Remote Underwater Video** (BRUVs) will be left on the seabed for up to 2 and 5 hours respectively, and will be surface marked with buoys. The vessel will remain in vicinity of deployed equipment until recovery. Habitat data and sediment type at each BRUV/Fish Trap location will be collected using a **CTD sensor** lowered to 5m from the seabed, and a **Day Grab** which samples the sediment. The vessel will remain stationary for deployment and recovery of all gear.

The survey vessel Alba na Mara is expected to arrive at Seagreen on or around the 30th of July with survey works completed by the 4th of August, vessel details below.

3. Vessel Details



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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.

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

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