



Notice to Mariners

Site Investigations – Nearshore Geotechnical Survey – SPT & Borehole Sampling – June 2026

Caledonia Offshore Wind Farm

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Revision History

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1. Introduction

This Notice to Mariners (NtM) is to inform that the proposed Caledonia Offshore Wind Farm (OWF) will undertake a shallow geotechnical site investigation within the Offshore Export Cable Corridor (OECC) in the nearshore waters by Stake Ness. The OECC adjoins the Caledonia OWF Site which is located in the Moray Firth and is approximately 429 km² in size, with the northern limit approximately 22 km from Wick and the southern extent approximately 38 km from Banff (Figure 1).

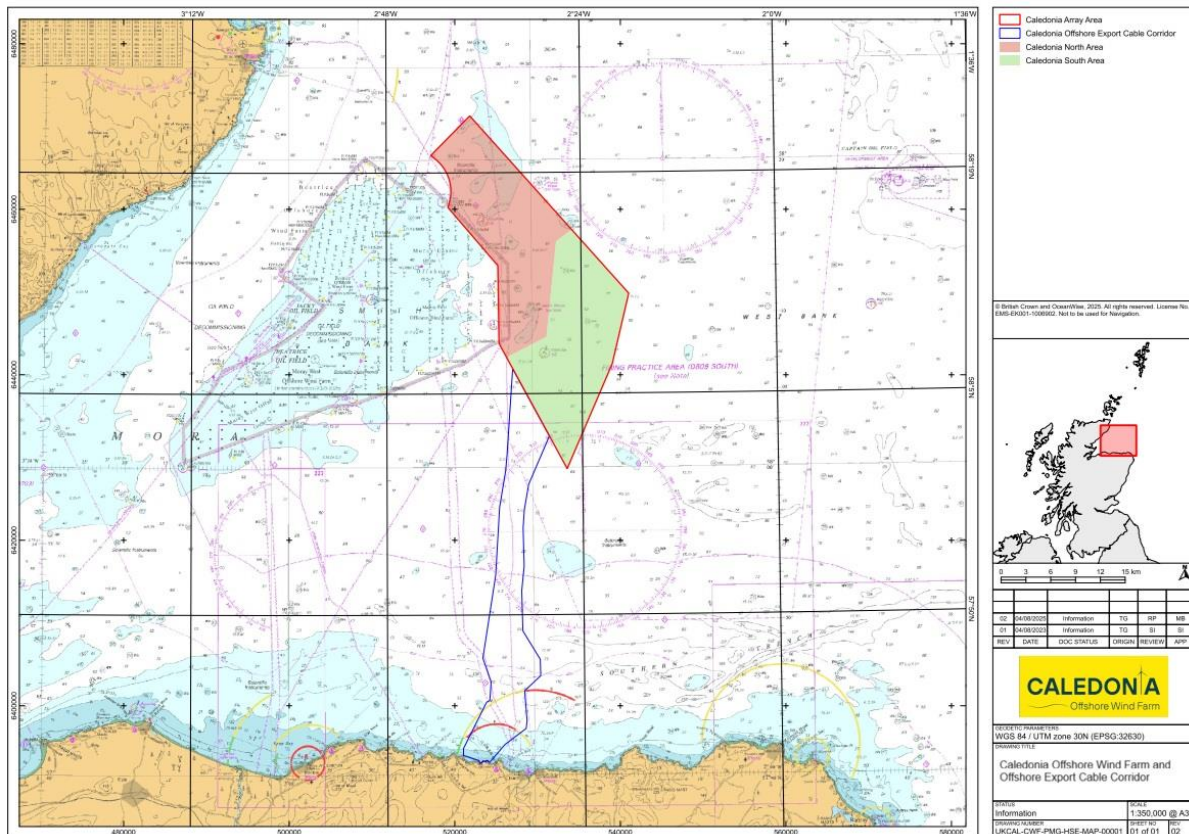


Figure 1. Map of the Caledonia OWF Site and OECC within the Moray Firth.

As this survey aims to identify potential Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) punch-out locations for the OECs to make landfall, survey activities will be conducted in the shallow subtidal area (Figure 2).

The survey vessel is expected to arrive on site no earlier than 3rd June 2026 and the survey works are anticipated to be completed by approximately 5th July 2026.

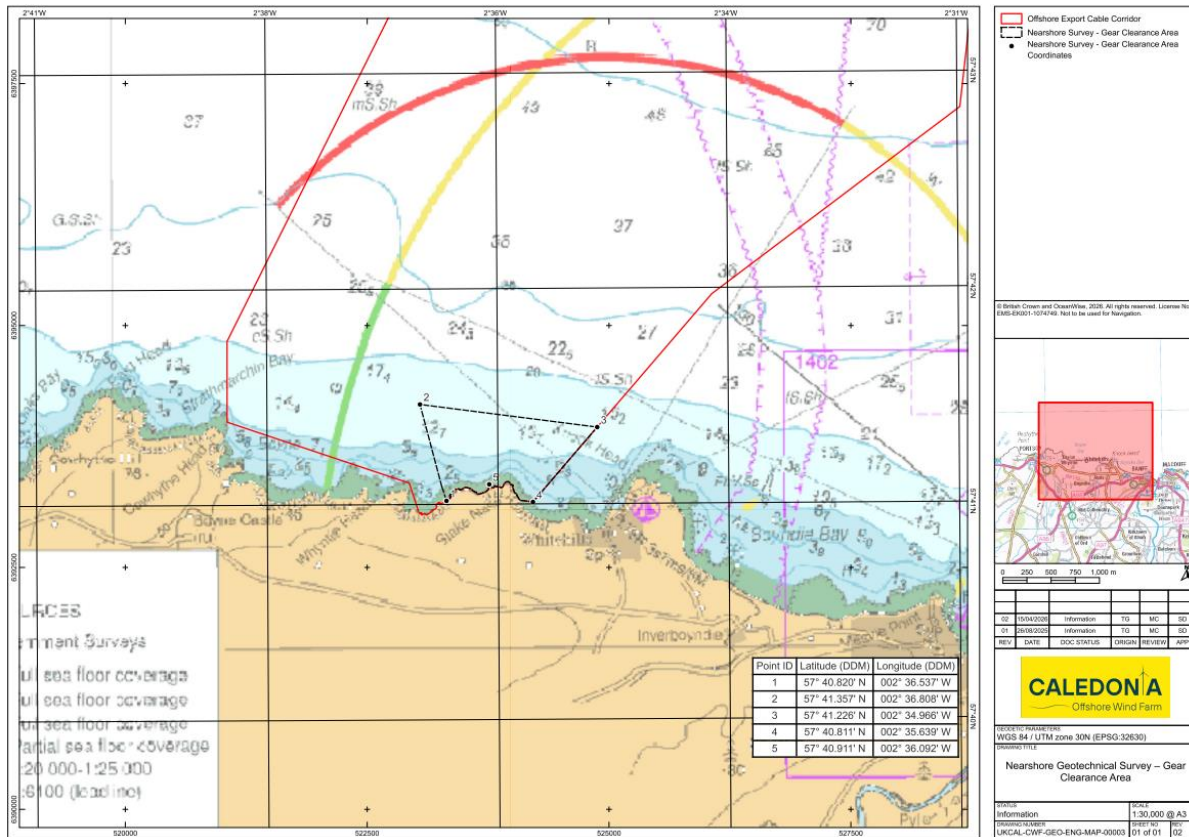


Figure 2. Map of the nearshore geotechnical survey area.

2. Site Investigation – Geotechnical Survey

Causeway Geotech Limited (Causeway) will undertake Standard Penetration Testing (SPT) and borehole sampling to a target depth of 20m below the seabed. There is a potential for 2 retests at each location where 20 m target depth is not reached.

The maximum volume of sediment removal per sample will be less than 1 cubic meter (as per The Marine Licensing (Exempted Activities) (Scottish Inshore and Offshore Regions) Amendment Order 2012).

The coordinates (WGS84) of the nearshore geotechnical survey area are presented in Table 1.

No.	Latitude (DD)	Longitude (DD)	Latitude (DDM)	Longitude (DDM)
1	57.6803	-2.6060	57° 40.820' N	002° 36.357' W
2	57.6892	-2.6135	57° 41.357' N	002° 36.808' W
3	57.6871	-2.6161	57° 41.226' N	002° 34.966' W
4	57.6802	-2.5940	57° 40.811' N	002° 35.639' W
5	57.6819	-2.6015	57° 40.911' N	002° 36.092' W

Table 1 Coordinates

Caledonia will issue a Weekly Notice of Operations (WNoO) by email and publish on the Caledonia website each Thursday during periods of active survey operations. The WNoO aims to keep marine users updated on the progress and location of the geophysical survey operations. If you would like to be added to the distribution list, please contact Caledonia

Consents (details in Section 6). The NtM and the WNoO can be found under the Current Works page: [Caledonia Offshore Wind Farm - Powering Scotland's Future](#).

3. Vessel Information

Survey activity will be undertaken by Causeway using the OCM 81 which is a 4-legged Jack Up Barge (JUB) with a spudcan diameter of up to 1 metre. During survey operations the vessel will remain stationary for up to 48 hours at each location.



Figure 2. OCM 81

A Multicat, the Moray M, will remain in berth in Buckie for the duration of the survey works, and will assist the OCM 81 for all barge moves as required.



Figure 3. Moray M

A Crew Transfer Vessel (CTV), the SBS Guardian, will be transiting from Whitehills daily.



Figure 4. SBS Guardian

Vessel Name	OCM 81	Morag M	SBS Guardian
MMSI Number		235074938	232051094
IMO Number		9546849	-
Operating Company	Ocean Crest Marine	GSS Marine Services	Atlantic Towage & Marine
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Table 2 Vessel Details

4. General Safety Advice

Please be aware that by virtue of their mode of operation and the equipment deployed, survey vessels may be Restricted in their Ability to Manoeuvre (RAM) as defined under COLREGs (International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972, Rule 3). Masters of vessels are therefore requested to maintain their vessels and gears at a minimum safe distance from these vessels of 500 metres when it is undertaking its work and showing the appropriate shapes and lights in accordance with COLREGs Rule 27.

All mariners are requested to give all survey vessels a safe passing distance and contact the vessel on VHF CH16 to ascertain what distance is required dependant on their ongoing operation.

Mariners are requested to navigate with caution, to use all means appropriate to aid safe navigation as defined under COLREGs Rule 27, and keep continued watch on VHF Ch. 16, 87 and 73 when navigating the area.



5. Fisheries Liaison

Fisheries liaison associated with the activity will be co-ordinated by Brown and May Marine (Caledonia Company Fisheries Liaison Officer). For any non-urgent commercial fishery queries please contact Brown and May Marine or Caledonia's Commercial Fisheries Manager. Note that they are only available during standard office hours and may not be able to provide immediate responses.

6. Developer Contact Details

Enquiries regarding the contents of this Notice to Mariners should be directed to the Caledonia OWF team (contact details below). Fisheries related queries should be directed to the CFLO and if contact Caledonia's Commercial Fisheries Manager are provided below.

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