

# UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN

## NOTICE TO MARINERS

No. UoA/01/2022

### MORAY FIRTH, SCOTLAND

Date of notice: 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Mariners are advised that the University of Aberdeen intends to **install** moorings and equipment at the locations listed in Table 1 of the current notice. At the same time, with reference to notice UoA/09/2021, moorings listed in Table 2 will be **removed** if found.

Table 1 Proposed mooring installation

Name	Coordinates (WGS84 datum)		Characteristics
48	58°04.022' N	003°07.497' W	Subsurface
52	58°11.096' N	002°51.591' W	Subsurface
159	58°09.357' N	002°52.500' W	Subsurface
280	58°01.150' N	003°09.268' W	Subsurface

Table 2 Proposed mooring removal

Name	Coordinates, as laid (WGS84 datum)		Characteristics
281	58°04.922' N	003°07.497' W	Missing
164	58° 12.906' N	002° 51.852' W	Missing

The above moorings support sound recording equipment, and / or acoustic loggers that record echolocation clicks of dolphins and porpoises (see Figure S 2). Subsurface moorings extend no more than 3 m vertically from the seabed (Figure S 1).

All works will be carried out by Moray First Marine Ltd., using MV “Waterfall”.

These works will commence as soon as possible after the date of this notice, subject to weather.

<b>Waterfall</b>	
<b>General Description and Dimensions:</b>	Workboat, UK MCA Cat.2, 60nm from safe haven LOA 16m, Beam 6m.
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A further Notice to Mariners will be issued in the event of additional operations on the above listed locations.

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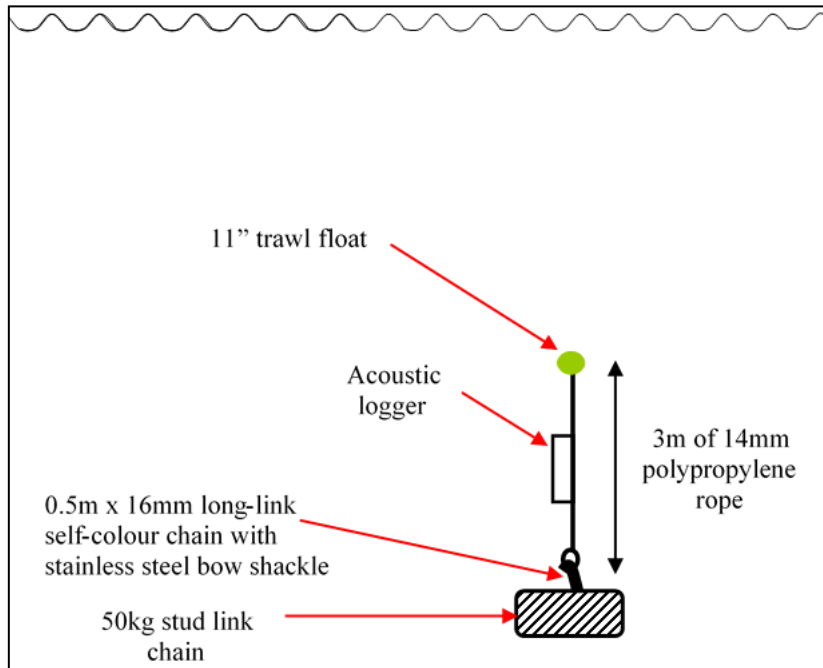


Figure S 1 Schematic of subsurface mooring



Figure S 2 Examples of equipment which the above moorings support.

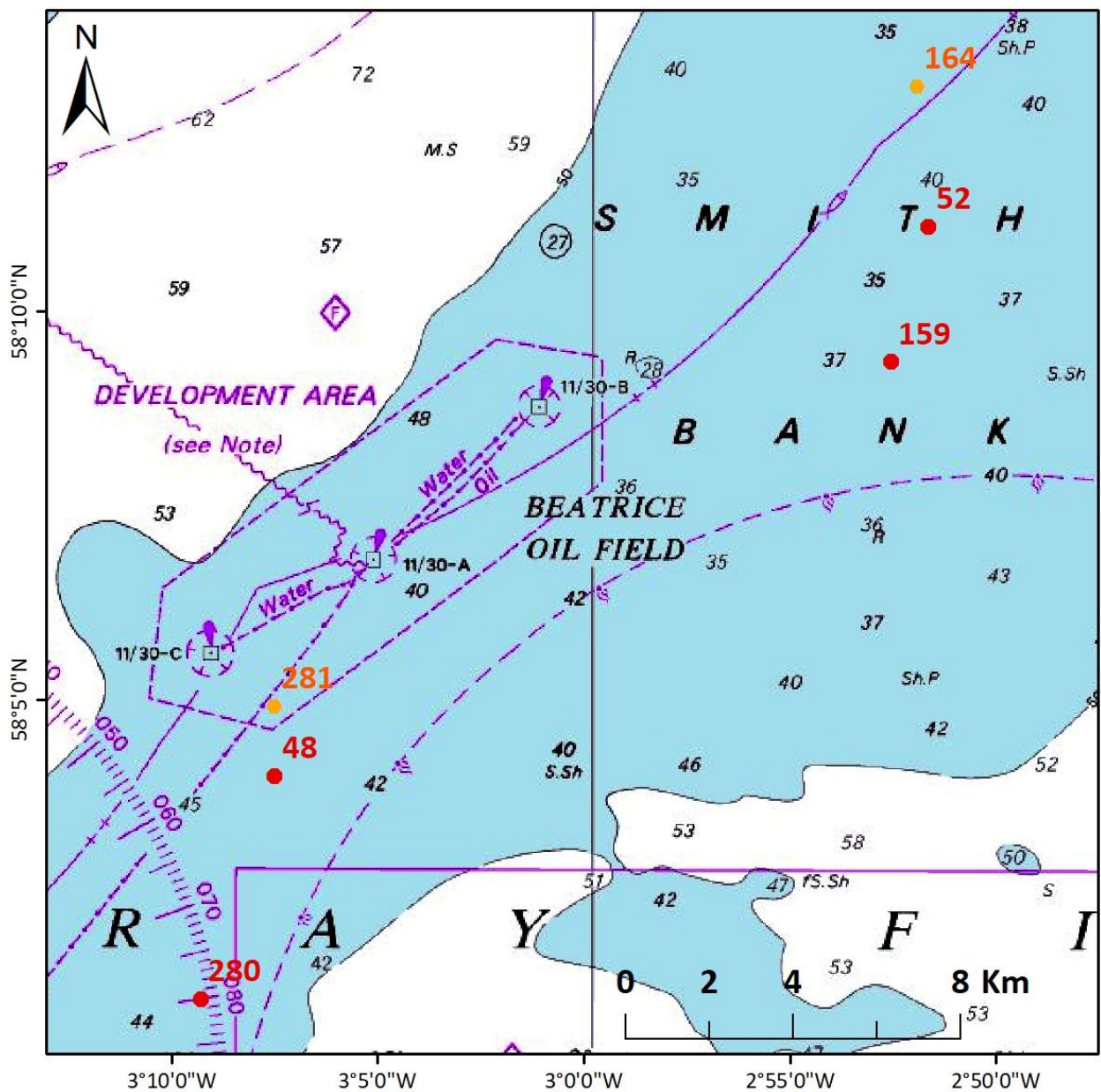


Figure S 3 Mooring locations noted in this Notice to Mariners – Smith Bank and adjacent waters. Mooring installation in red and mooring removal in orange.