



Marine Notice No. 32 of 2025

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

Buncrana Harbour, Co. Donegal Plough Dredging

1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been notified by Donegal County Council that they will carry out plough dredging at Buncrana Harbour in Lough Swilly between **20 May 2025** and **9 June 2025**. The dredging is estimated to take **3 weeks**, subject to weather and operational constraints.

2. Location of Activity

The dredging will be carried out along the berthing face of Buncrana Pier and for 200 meters southwest of the head of the pier and also at the approach to the slipway as shown in the map in Appendix 1 to this Marine Notice. The limits of the dump site are shown in a table of coordinates provided in Appendix 2.

3. Details of Vessel

Plough dredging will be carried out using the vessel "**Otterbank**" (**Call Sign: MWVJ5**). The vessel will display appropriate lights and signals and will be operating on VHF Ch 14. Plough dredging will be carried out during daylight hours only from **0700hrs to 2000hrs**.

4. Contact Details

Enquiries regarding the contents of this marine notice, and any other relevant matters, should be directed to:

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All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the International Collision Regulations and of [Marine Notice No. 17 of 2007](#), 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, Mountshannon Road, Dublin, D08 XA06 Tel: (046) 9423100. They are also available online at: www.irishstatutebook.ie.

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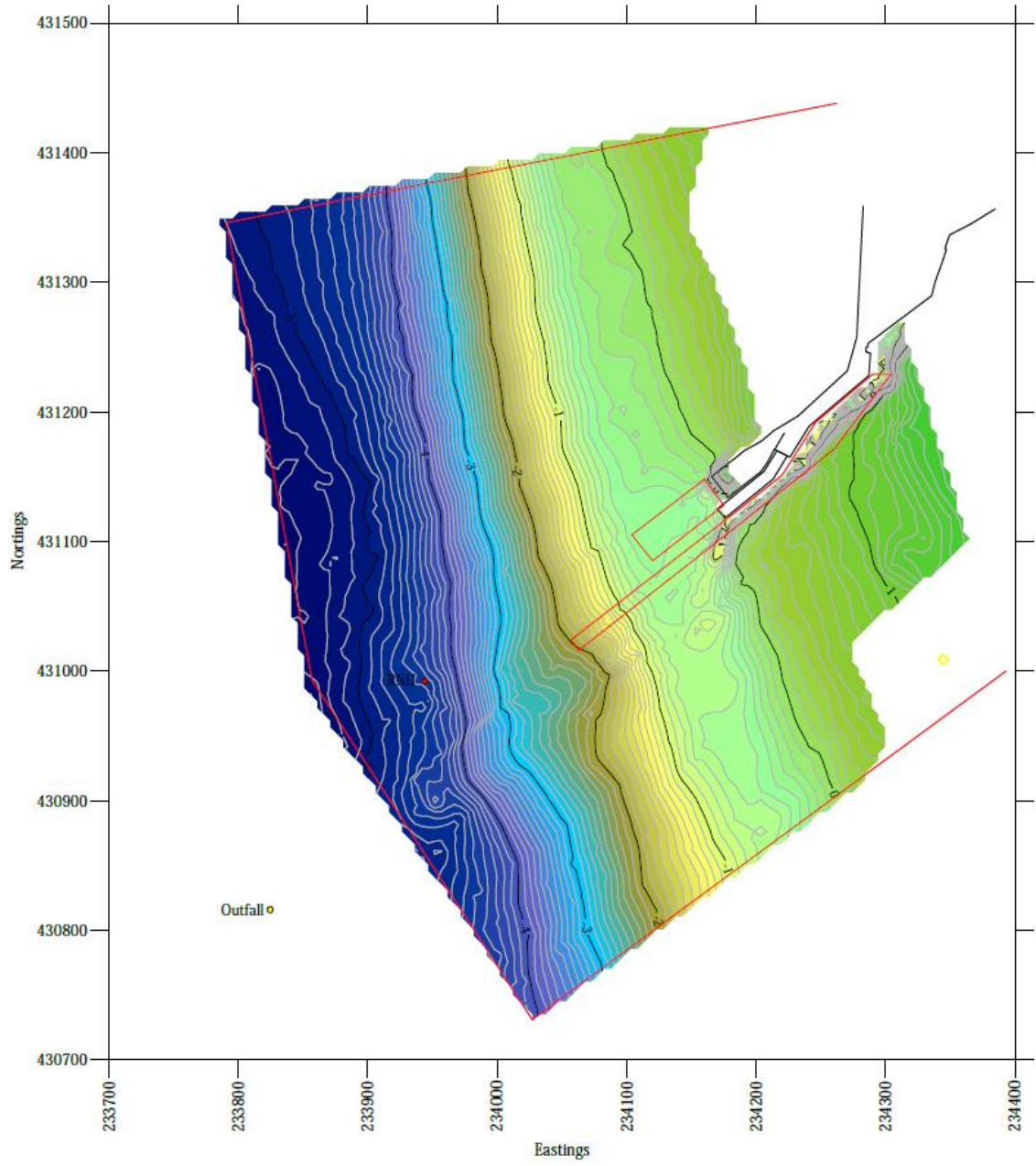
Irish Maritime Administration,
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Encl: Appendix 1: Map of Operations Area
Appendix 2: Table of Limits of Dump Site

For any technical assistance in relation to this Marine Notice, please contact:
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Appendix 1: Map of Operations Area



Appendix 2: Table of Limits of Dump Site

	Latitude	Longitude
(a)	55° 07' 30.120"	007° 27' 41.880"
(b)	55° 07' 21.540"	007° 28' 02.640"
(c)	55° 07' 30.060"	007° 28' 12.120"
(d)	55° 07' 41.520"	007° 28' 15.720"
(e)	55° 07' 44.340"	007° 27' 49.680"