



Marine Notice No. 59 of 2021

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

Deployment of 3 Acoustic Doppler Current Profilers (ADCPs) frames in Tralee Bay

1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that TechWorks Ltd is planning on deploying three (3 no.) trawl-resistant bottom mounted Acoustic Doppler Current Profilers (ADCPs) frames in Tralee Bay at locations outlined below and showing in the associated Admiralty Chart (please refer to Appendix 1). It is intended to deploy these ADCPs **between 01 November and 13 November 2021**, weather depending. If the deployment is delayed due to unsuitable weather conditions, then the deployment will be carried out on the next viable tide and weather window.

2. Location of Activity

The exact location co-ordinates of the buoys are as follows:

ID	Latitude	Longitude	Water Depth
ADCP2	52° 18' 44.269" N	009° 55' 45.743" W	12m
ADCP3	52° 16' 12.115" N	009° 57' 52.142" W	7.5m
ADCP4	52° 15' 59.832" N	009° 52' 45.138" W	5.5m

Once deployed, the frames will be on the seabed for a **minimum period of one calendar month** and a maximum period of two months (weather permitting). They are required to carry out water quality sampling surveys and Vessel Mounted ADCP surveys at the same time as the deployments, and these are tide and weather dependent and may cause a slight delay in the recovery of the seabed frames.

3. Details of Vessel

The **Whispering Hope** (callsign: **EIAR8**) will deploy the three trawl-resistant bottom mounted Acoustic Doppler Current Profilers (ADCPs) frames. During this time, the vessel will be restricted in its ability to manoeuvre. Vessels operating within this area are requested to keep their distance, maintaining a safety zone around the deployment vessel, and pass at minimum speed to reduce vessel wash.

All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the **International Collision Regulations** and are reminded 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, 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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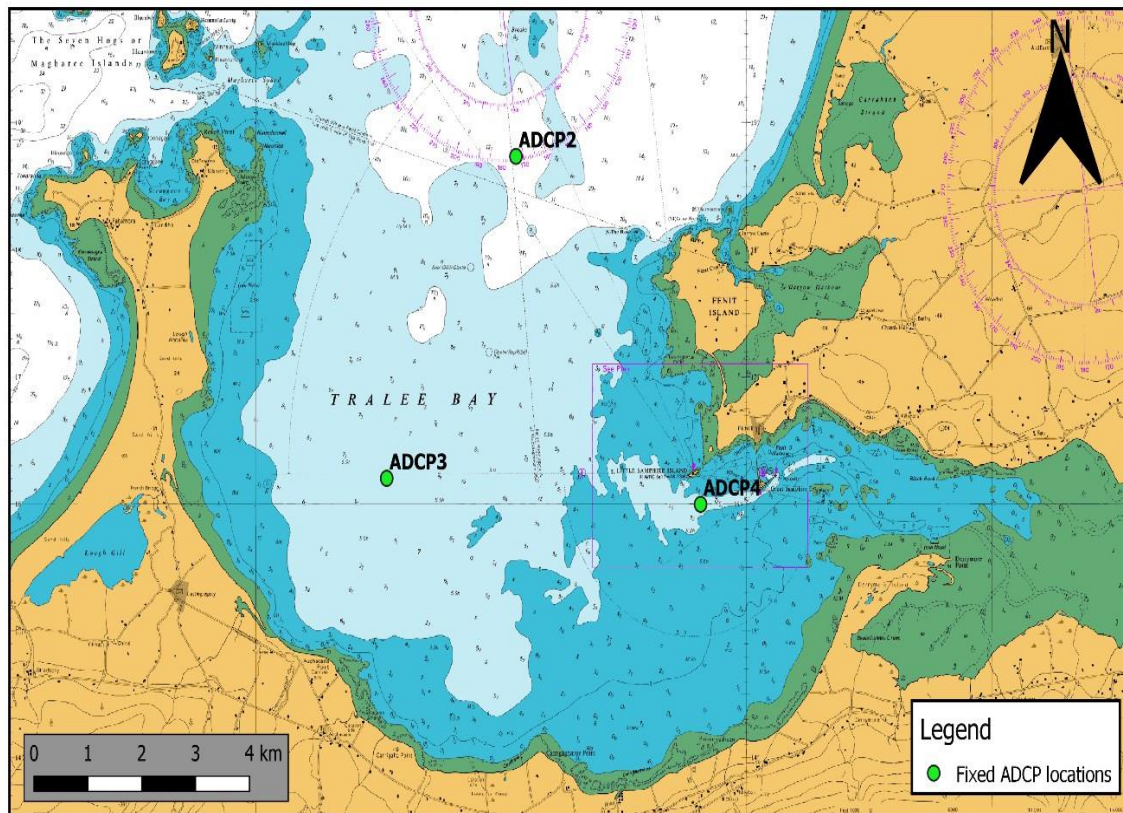
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Encl: Appendix 1 – Map of Deployment Locations

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Fixed ADCP's Locations
Survey locations in Tralee Bay

