



## Marine Notice No. 85 of 2022

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

### Dublin Array Offshore Windfarm - Recovery of Floating LiDAR Buoy from Bray Bank

#### 1. Notice of recovery

Marine Notices No. 37 of 2021 and No. 44 of 2021 advised of the deployment of two wave buoys and one floating LiDAR Buoy at the Dublin Array Offshore Windfarm on Bray and Kish Banks. The two wave buoys were recovered from site in June 2022.

The Department of Transport has now been advised by Partrac Ltd that the floating LiDAR buoy on Bray Bank is scheduled to be recovered in the period between **5 January and 19 January 2023**, subject to weather and operational constraints, and towed from its location on Bray Bank to Wicklow Harbour. The buoy will be demobilised and not redeployed at site.

#### 2. Details of the recovery

As detailed below, the floating LiDAR buoy will be recovered from the following location:

Site	Latitude	Longitude
	Floating LiDAR Buoy S1 Bray Bank	53° 10.645' N

#### 3. Description of the buoy

The floating LiDAR buoy has a square footprint with an area of 4 x 4m and height of approx. 4m above the water line. It is yellow in colour and has a St. Andrew Cross on top. The buoy also contains a yellow light which emits 5 flashes every 20 seconds. The light is visible for up to 3 nautical miles.

#### 4. Details of vessel and safety precautions

The vessel **CT Barnston** (callsign: **MUZU5**) will recover the buoy and tow it back to Wicklow Harbour for demobilisation. Dublin Port will be contacted in advance regarding the operations with estimated timings. The floating LiDAR Buoy will be towed approx. 30 metres astern of the CT Barnston at a maximum speed of 3.5 kts. During recovery of the floating LiDAR Buoy on Bray Bank, the vessel will be restricted in its ability to manoeuvre. Vessels are requested to leave a wide berth during the recovery and towing operations. Radio transmissions will be conducted with VTS and other seafarers to notify them of the buoy operations.

## 5. Contact Details

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## 6. Withdrawal of previous Marine Notices

The following Marine Notices associated with this project are hereby withdrawn: Marine Notice No. 6 of 2021, Marine Notice No. 37 of 2021, Marine Notice No. 44 of 2021, Marine Notice No. 62 of 2021 and Marine Notice No. 10 of 2022.

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, 52 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 6476834/1890-213434. They are also available online at: [www.irishstatutebook.ie](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie)

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