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MRV Alba na Mara

Survey 1214A

PROGRAMME

7-22 July 2014

Loading: Fraserburgh, 04 July 2014

Change-over: Fraserburgh / Scrabster, 14 July 2014

Unloading: Ullapool, 22 July 2014

In setting the cruise programme and specific objectives, the Scientist-in-Charge needs to be aware of the restrictions on working hours and the need to build in adequate rest days and rest breaks as set out in Marine Scotland's Working Time Policy (Lab Notice 34/03). In addition, the Scientist-in-Charge must formally review the risk assessments for the cruise with staff on-board before work is commenced.

In the interest of efficient data management it is now mandatory to return the Cruise Report, to I Gibb and the Cruise Summary Report (old ROSCOP form) to M Geldart, within four weeks of a cruise ending. In the case of the Cruise Summary Report a nil return is required, if appropriate.

Personnel

M Robertson SIC 7-14 July (Part 1)

C Shand 7-14 July
R Duncan 7-14 July
P Stainer 7-22 July
C Hall 14-22 July

R Watret SIC 14-22 July (Part 2)

P Dymond 14-22 July

Fishing gear: Day grabs; TV drop frame with digital video, lasers and armoured cable; Agassiz trawls; Swathe multibeam echosounder system; RoxAnn system.

Objectives

 To undertake groundtruthing survey work in connection with potential floating offshore wind and wave renewable energy developments located on the east and north coast of Scotland.

Estimated Days per Project: 16 days, RE01T0

Procedure

MRV Alba na Mara will depart from Fraserburgh harbor am on 7 July. The nature of the work will be heavily dependant on the prevailing weather conditions encountered. The proposed survey work for the north and east coast of Scotland (Figure 1) is very similar to the work

undertaken during previous surveys. The survey work will involve the deployment of the TV drop frame and, where practical, the deployment of a day grab. Some additional bathymetric survey work and aggassiz trawling may also be undertaken.

MRV Alba na Mara will complete a half landing at Fraserburgh/Scrabster on 14 May to exchange scientific staff.

On completion of the survey work the vessel will unload at Ullapool harbour on 22 July.

Normal contacts will be maintained with the laboratory.

Submitted; P Hayes 25 June 2014

Approved: I Gibb 02 July 2014

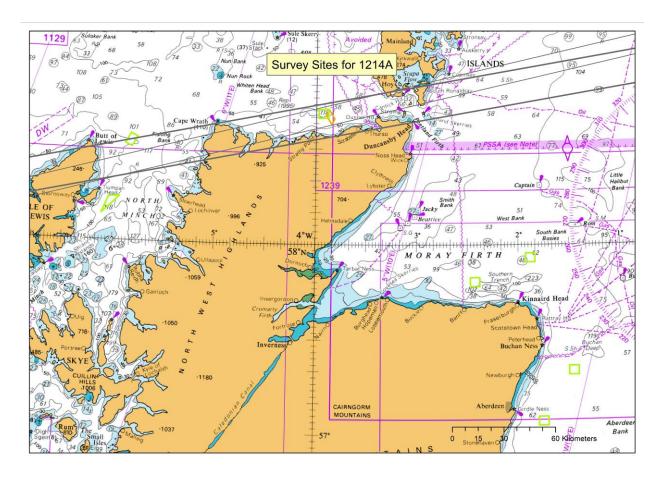


Figure 1: 1214A survey sites (highlighted in green).