

DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS.
2008 RESEARCH VESSEL PROGRAMME: *RV CEFAS ENDEAVOUR*
Cruise Programme: C END 07/08

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DURATION:

2nd April – 20th April 2008

LOCALITY:

Dogger Bank

AIMS:

1. To conduct multidisciplinary (acoustic and sampling) surveys within the Dogger Bank region of the North Sea. This work is in support of JNCC's requirement to designate SACs under the EU Annex I Habitats Directive.

PLAN:

Cefas Endeavour will sail from Lowestoft on the evening tide of 2nd April. A calibration of the vessel's multibeam system will be conducted *en route* to the Dogger Bank. Multidisciplinary survey work using acoustic (sidescan and multibeam), sampling (grab and trawl) and photographic (camera sledge, SPI) will be conducted throughout the cruise. The vessel will dock in Lowestoft on 20th April.

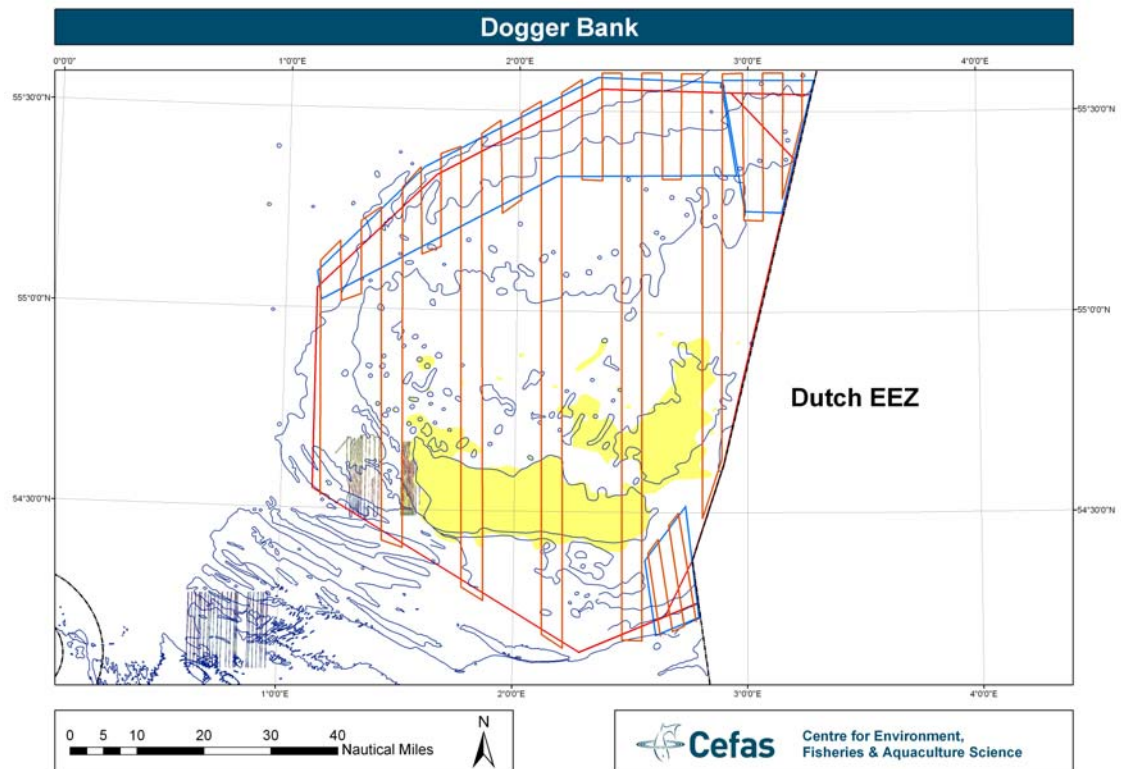


Figure 1. Shows the broad area of interest. Red lines suggest indicative acoustic survey lines. Three blue polygons show particular areas of interest to JNCC.