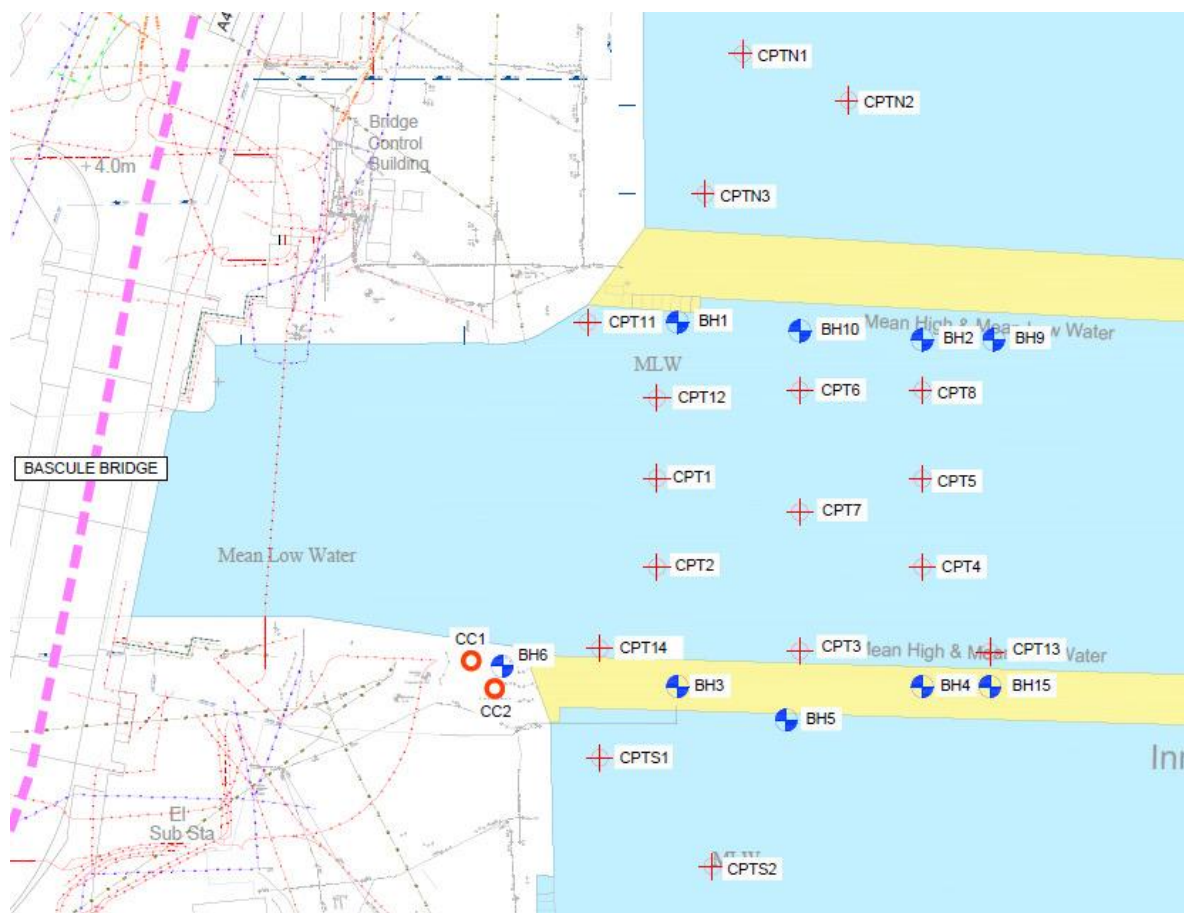


NOTICE TO MARINERS

Lowestoft Outer Harbour – Marine GI Activities in Bridge Channel, Trawl Dock and Yacht Basin – Extended Duration of Works

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This notice is to advise Mariners, Port Users and Vessel Operators of planned Marine Ground Investigation Works (Marine GI's), scheduled to be undertaken in various positions (as per below map), commencing Thursday 4th February.



The GI works are now scheduled to take until approx. 6th March, but may further over run subject to weather and operational delays. Works will involve jack up barge Sandpiper being positioned in the various locations, to undertake the Cone Penetration Tests (CPT), and Boreholes (BH). Works will be undertaken 24/7.

It is anticipated that each CPT will take approx. 8hrs to complete. Boreholes can take between 24hrs and 77hrs to complete so marine traffic requirements need to be carefully considered when scheduling work in these positions.

Jack up barge Sandpiper is 12 metres length x 12 metres beam. During these operations restrictions on transits of Marine traffic will need to be imposed, especially for larger commercial vessels, but also for smaller vessels when the barge is in more centre channel positions.

During the GI works, the following notice requirements will be in force:-

A minimum of 12hrs notice for a large commercial vessel Bridge opening.

A minimum of 4hrs notice for a small commercial vessel Bridge opening.

A minimum of 2hrs notice for a small boat Bridge opening.

For clarity, and for the purpose of this notice, a large commercial vessel is deemed as any vessel with either a LOA of over 30 metres, or beam of 10 meters.

Vessels and vessel operators are requested to consider these works when scheduling vessel movements, and are urged to provide as much notice as possible for Bascule Bridge openings to avoid potential for delays, and disruption to GI works (if the barge is required to move).

This notice supersedes Notice N0.8 2021.

Barge Sandpiper under tow



Please contact Lowestoft Port Control, VHF Ch14, Tel. 01502 572286, if additional clarification or information is required.

Divisional Harbour Master East Anglia

24 February 2021

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2006 No.5 **2007** No.13 **2009** No.19 **2011** No.7, No.10, No.19 **2012** No.3, **2013** No.17, No.19, **2015** No.24 **2016** No.12 **2017** No.5, No.22, No.24, No.32, No.34 **2018** No.34, **2019** No.2, No.18 **2020** No.1, No.17, No.24, No.26, No.29, No.40, No.43, No.44, No.45, No.47, No.50, **2021** No.01, No.8a, No.10

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