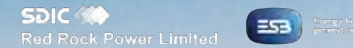


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Forth and Tay Offshore Wind Commercial Fisheries Working Group

The CFWG provides a forum for discussion on how the local commercial fishing industry and offshore wind developers can work together in the Forth and Tay. It seeks to provide a platform for information sharing, discussion around key issues and potential impacts, and maintaining a good working relationship throughout the lifecycle of the wind farms. Membership includes representatives from national and local fisheries bodies as well as wind farm developers and Marine Scotland.



Berwick Bank Wind Farm

The Berwick Bank Wind Farm current development boundary has been established through a review of both engineering and environmental constraints, and includes stakeholder feedback following engagement throughout the pre-application phase.

The Scoping Report was submitted to Marine Scotland in October 2021 and SSER received their Scoping Opinion in February this year. The project team and their consultants are working through this document in order to address the various comments within the EIA Report, with the aim of achieving a May/June 2022 submission date.

An additional geotechnical campaign was also completed in early 2022 in order to provide a better understanding of the ground conditions across the wind farm array area.

As part of our ongoing engagement we have undertaken in-person and online events in early March, and there will be further opportunities to discuss the project with the team as we engage with all stakeholders.

Further information on the projects can be found at <https://www.berwickbank.com> or by emailing berwickbank@sse.com



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Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm

Installation works have progressed at pace at the Seagreen site since commencement in October 2021. There are currently 21 jackets and 12 wind turbine generators (WTGs) installed, with further WTG installations imminent. Jacket installation is currently paused and will resume in April.

Inter array cable installation is progressing to connect the WTG strings to the offshore substation platform (OSP). The OSP jacket was installed in December 2021 and the topside in early March 2022. The first export cable was pulled in at the Carnoustie landfall during February and then laid on the seabed out to the OSP location. Cable burial works are now underway. Connection of the OSP cable end is planned during April. This will enable hook up and commissioning for the first export of power from the site during spring 2022. The second and third export cables will be installed during spring and summer 2022. The stage 1 works, installation of 114 WTGs, are planned for completed at end 2022, with stage 2 works to install the remaining 36 WTGs planned for 2023.

The wind farm is a busy construction site with a number of simultaneous activities underway. Notices to Mariners for all activities and a weekly Notice of Operations are issued by the Seagreen Marine Coordination Centre (MCC) in Montrose, which can be contacted on 0333 344 5255, email Seagreenmarinecoordination@sse.com. Guard vessels are present within the site and along the export cable route to support vessel safety and there is an Offshore FLO presence on board the main contractor vessels to support any communications with fishing vessels.

Advisory transit routes and shelter areas have been agreed and are communicated to all construction vessels. These are currently under review following experience during the early phase of the construction works. Updates on export cable installation have been provided and the installed export cable location has been circulated in plotter file format. Seagreen will seek further discussion with fishermen and their representatives when cable installation and post burial survey information is available.

The Seagreen FLO is John Watt (Brown and May Marine Ltd), mobile no 07590 880746. Fishermen are recommended to contact the FLO in the first instance to raise any issues of concern.

Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm 1A

The Marine Licence for the export cable route that will allow the Seagreen Project to connect to the grid at Cockenzie was consented in Dec 2021 and can be viewed at [Marine Licence – Construction of Export Cable – Seagreen 1A Export Cable Corridor, Firth of Forth - 00009291 | Marine Scotland Information](#). Consultation on this application took place between 13 May and 24 June 2021.

Detailed design works and post consent submissions are currently in progress. Fisheries stakeholder engagement has commenced and will continue to ensure good co-operation. A screening opinion request to increase the size of the remaining 36 turbines out of the original 150 consented (referred to as Stage 2) is currently being consulted on by Marine Scotland. There is the potential for a further geotechnical survey occurring in the summer focusing on the wind farm area and all relevant stakeholders will be kept informed.

www.seagreenwindenergy.com



Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Farm

Offshore construction of Neart na Gaoithe (NnG) offshore wind farm has progressed significantly since the previous update in November.

Both export cables are now installed and buried between the wind farm and landfall location. These electricity transmission cables will supply the electricity generated by the turbines to the onshore substation located at Crystal Rig wind farm in the Lammermuir Hills, approximately 12.3km from Thorntonloch, via the two onshore cables.

There were some discrete sections where burial was not possible due to ground conditions and as such, cable protection was installed between November 2021 and January 2022. The locations of the rock protection have been shared with the local fishing community and the installed cable routes have been provided to Seafish, who are making this data available to all plotter formats. Over-trawl trials were successfully completed in December 2021 and February 2022 over several buried and protected sections of the export cable, with no issues identified.

NnG's two offshore substations will be installed from summer 2022, alongside further drilling, piling and grouting work on the foundations, which will be carried out throughout the year.

A total of 72 turbine tower sections and 36 blades have recently travelled up the River Tay by barge and were brought alongside the new DunEco Quay. They will be

imported onto Scotland's brand new custom built Wind Turbine Marshalling Facility. In the coming months, the tower sections will be assembled into 24 turbine towers, each 90 metres in height. The blades, each 83.5 metres in length, will be stored at the Port of Dundee prior to their shipment to site during the turbine installation works in 2023.

Onshore, the project's new substation will be finished in 2022, as will the new Operations and Maintenance Building at Eyemouth.

Keep an eye out for our Notice to Mariners and updates on our project website to keep informed of construction activities.

Additionally, if you have any questions about the impact of construction on local fishing, please contact Peter Berney on 07391 402387 or NnG.FLO@naturalpower.com.



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Inch Cape Offshore Wind Farm

Inch Cape Offshore Limited (ICOL) has continued to progress the project both offshore and onshore. This work will ensure a smooth transition from development and consenting to planned construction activity in the coming years. At the beginning of this year, we continued the site investigation within the Development Area which will help inform not only the foundation procurement process but also the engineering requirements during construction. The first two phases of the campaign were carried out with the assistance of independent

FLOs and provided the team with a number of valuable lessons to help move forward with the third phase expected later this spring.

In the nearshore area of the Offshore Export Cable Corridor, at Cockenzie in East Lothian, the team undertook initial site investigation close to the shore. Further work there is expected later in March.

We will share further project updates as soon as they are available. We look forward to resuming face-to-face contact with our local fishing communities and are now arranging some local meetings.

Should you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the ICOL FLO, Peter Berney by calling 07391 402387 or by emailing ICOL.FLO@naturalpower.com

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Kincardine Offshore Wind Farm

Construction of the Kincardine Offshore Windfarm has been completed and the commercial demonstrator project is now the largest offshore floating windfarm in the world. It is located 8NM south-east of Aberdeen in a water depth between 60m and 80m and consists of five V164-9.5MW Vestas turbines.

For further information about the Kincardine project please visit the project website at www.pilot-renewables.com. Should you have any questions regarding the project please fill in a contact form on the website and our team will reply directly.

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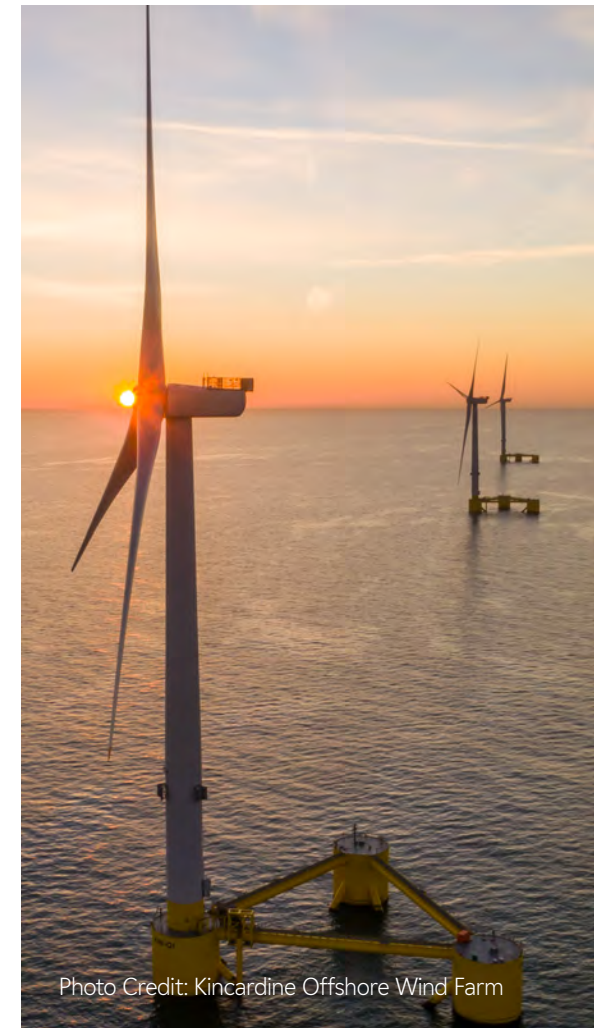
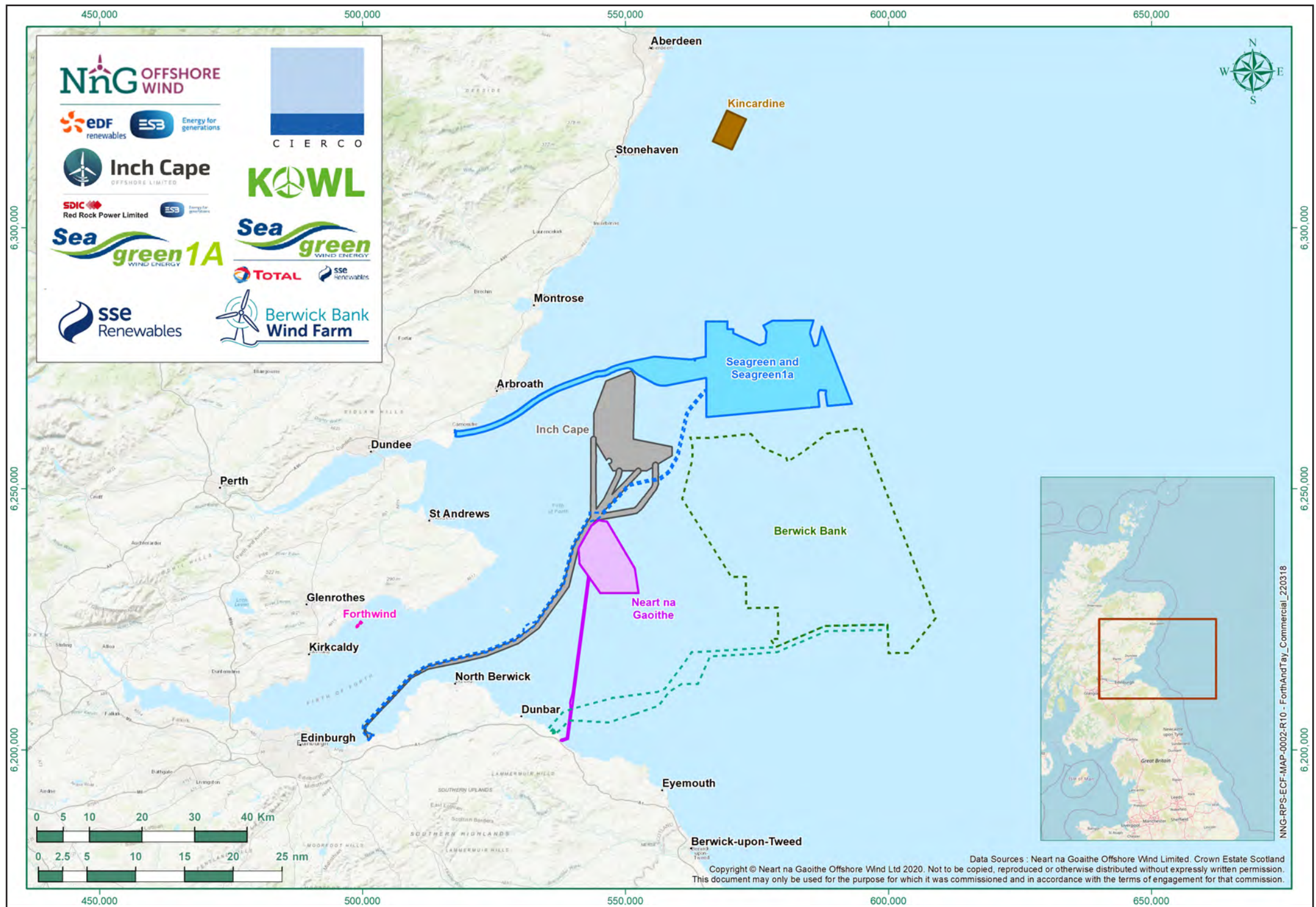


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