

Marine Notice No. 29 of 2017

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

Seismic Survey of Crean – CRE17 210 nm WSW of Bull Rock Lighthouse

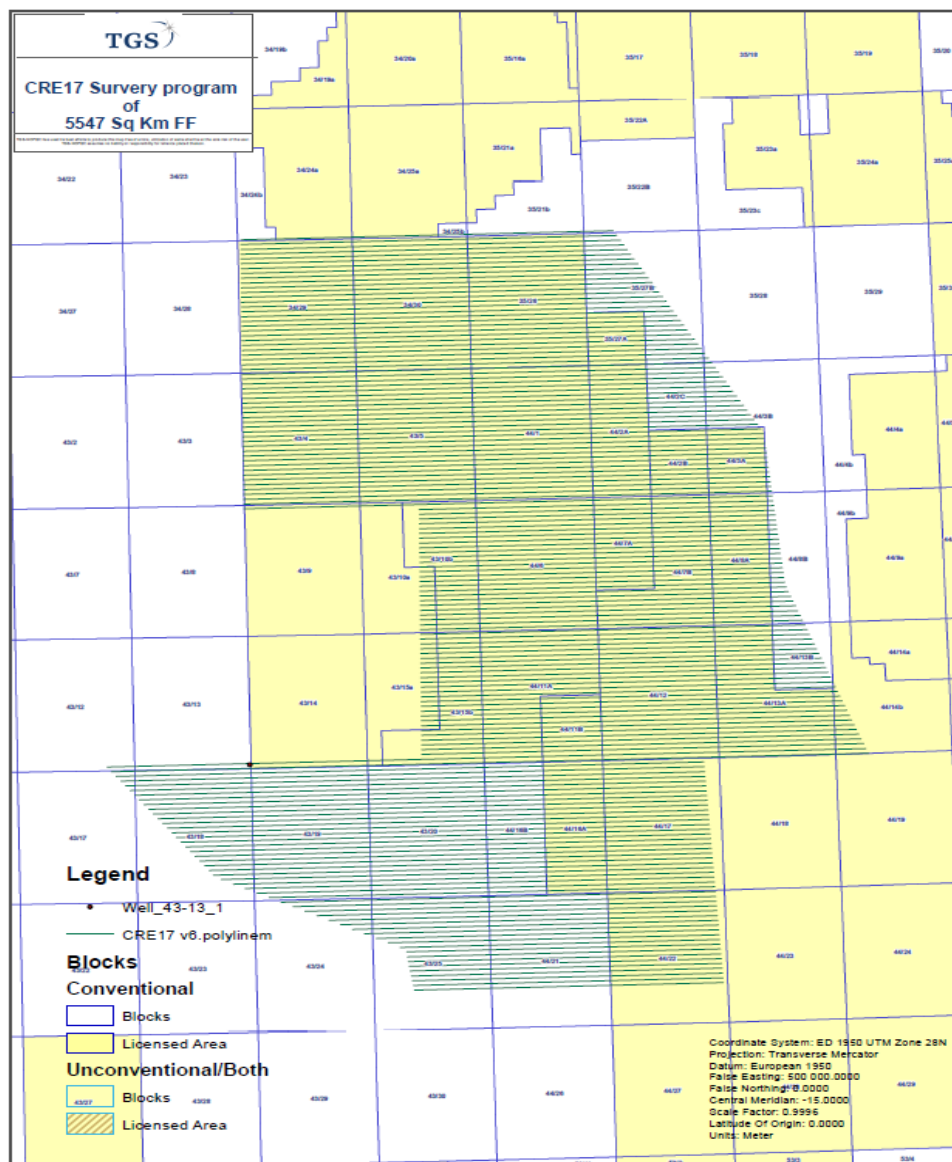
The Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport has been advised by Mullock & Sons (Shipbrokers) Ltd. that a seismic survey will be conducted 210nm WSW of Bull Rock Lighthouse, Co. Cork. Operations are scheduled to begin on **11 July 2017**, but may start earlier on **7 or 8 July 2017**, and last for approximately 3 months, weather dependant.

The vessels involved will be: the **Polar Marquis** (seismic vessel, Callsign: **LAO15**). It will be towing a spread of 12 x 8100m cables with a width of 1540m just below the surface. The support vessel will be the **Moonrise GSL** (Callsign: **HPEW**). The guard vessel will be the **Ary** (Callsign: **YJQJ5**).

The survey location, as advised, is outlined in the coordinates and map below:

| | Latitude | Longitude |
|----|----------------|-----------------|
| 1 | 51° 42 49.178N | 012° 28 29.590W |
| 2 | 51° 29 51.432N | 012° 20 38.753W |
| 3 | 51° 29 54.738N | 012° 35 54.112W |
| 4 | 51° 11 42.443N | 012° 35 54.134W |
| 5 | 51° 11 42.758N | 013° 07 54.939W |
| 6 | 51° 15 52.280N | 013° 09 15.810W |
| 7 | 51° 16 41.225N | 013° 12 11.327W |
| 8 | 51° 18 20.683N | 013° 13 07.038W |
| 9 | 51° 22 25.439N | 013° 27 51.220W |
| 10 | 51° 30 12.497N | 013° 27 18.855W |
| 11 | 51° 30 8.512N | 013° 38 50.716W |
| 12 | 51° 30 29.301N | 013° 38 50.713W |
| 13 | 51° 30 33.547N | 013° 27 17.292W |
| 14 | 51° 30 37.854N | 013° 06 28.091W |
| 15 | 51° 50 18.002N | 013° 05 54.750W |
| 16 | 51° 50 14.956N | 013° 24 05.142W |
| 17 | 52° 10 15.457N | 013° 23 40.118W |
| 18 | 52° 10 18.900N | 012° 45 11.718W |
| 19 | 51° 54 25.481N | 012° 30 04.877W |

There will be radio transmissions to vessels in the vicinity. There will also be a guard vessel to warn other vessels. VHF warnings will be broadcast on **VHF 16**. Tail Buoys will be used on the end of each streamer; they are yellow in colour and are equipped with strobing lights and radar reflectors.



At the end of each survey line the vessel requires an area to turn-a-round; this is some 15km additional to the area confined within the coordinates given.

All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the International Collision Regulations and are reminded 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) 6476834/1890213434. They are also available online at: www.irishstatutebook.ie.

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