

NOTICE TO MARINERS

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Western Link Project

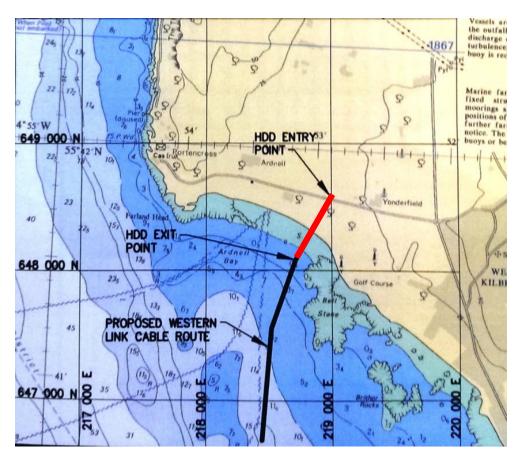
LANDFALL HDD in Ardneil Bay - Marine Works

Mariners are advised that construction work at sea for the landfall of the Western Link HVDC Cable is due to commence this week (week commencing **10**th **November 2014**).

On the 13th or 14th November 2014 (weather permitting) a work barge, the LM Constructor (MMSI 8522559, Call Sign MHUJ2), will take up station in Ardneil Bay. The LM Constructor's tow tug is the Voe Chief (MMSI 235075142, Call Sign 2CRL5).

Later this week or early next week (again, weather permitting), one 620m long black plastic pipe, 450mm (18") in diameter will be taken from its current storage location north of Hunterston Port to Ardneil Bay for installation.

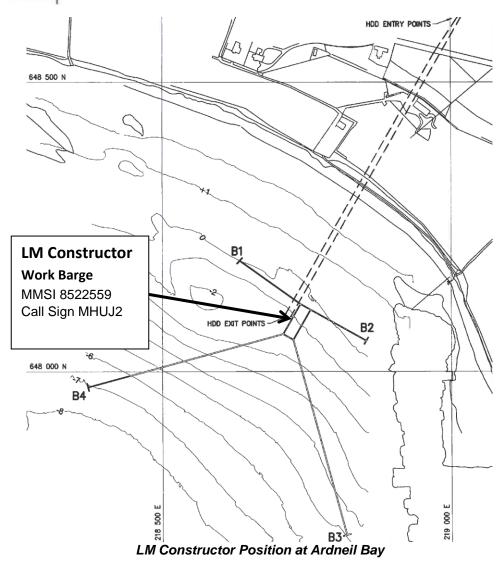
The pipe will be towed from Hunterston to Ardneil Bay using a local vessel **Challenger of Leith** (MMSI 235075142, Call Sign 2AAD3) as the lead tug and the **Jetstar** (MMSI 235022933, Call Sign MKFU5) will take control of the tail end of the pipe. The pipe is painted front end and tail and every 50m in between with a 500mm wide yellow "ribbon" of radar reflecting yellow paint.



Pipe Installation location at Ardneil Bay (HDD pipes shown in Red)

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The pipe will be positioned alongside the LM Constructor prior to being installed into a pre-drilled borehole from Ardneil Bay to an onshore position landwards of West Kilbride Golf Course.

The **LM Constructor** will demobilise to Troon harbour after installation of the pipe and during periods of bad weather.

The pipe will be monitored by a local vessel **Challenger of Leith** (MMSI 235058132, Call Sign ZAAD3). The vessel can be communicated with on VHF channel 12.

The second pipe will remain at the storage location north of Hunterston Port (see Notice to Mariners issued on 23rd June 2014) and is due to be installed later in 2014. A further notice to Mariners will be issued prior to the installation of this pipe.

The above dates are approximate and dependent on project progress and weather conditions. Masters and others in charge of craft are to maintain a VHF watch on channel 12 and warned to navigate with caution and pay strict attention to instructions issued to them by Hunterston Port.

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