

## Notice to Mariners

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### Australia – Victoria

## SOUTH GIPPSLAND – THE STAR OF THE SOUTH PROJECT EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES

The Star of the South Project is Australia's first proposed offshore wind project – located off the south coast of Gippsland near Port Albert.

We are undertaking site investigations including wind and wave monitoring to inform the project's feasibility. The intention of this notice is to give an overview of activities and vessels involved.

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**SOTS reference:** 200718\_SOTS-CTH-APP-NTM-Rev0

**AUS Charts and Publications Affected:** AUS 357

**Victorian Charts and publications affected:** Nil

#### General details:

Mariners are advised that we intend to carry out a 1-day maintenance visit of the two floating Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) devices and the wave buoy (the equipment) off the south coast of Gippsland.

The following equipment will be visited at their respective positions:

ID	Latitude	Longitude
LIDAR buoy SOTS 1	38°51.117 S	146°52.149 E
LIDAR buoy SOTS 2	38°40.463 S	147°01.314 E
Wave buoy SOTS 1	38°47.151 S	146°56.027 E

The equipment is expected to be maintained during daylight hours from 08:00 to 16:00 on 19 July 2020 using the vessel Fleetwood (Work Vessel MSV12489 ZFL from Port Franklin or Port Albert, Flag: AU, MMSI: 503094790).

Preliminary timeline of the operations:

Date	Time (AEDT)	Operation
19/07/2020	08:00	Leaving Port Franklin or Port Albert with the Fleetwood work vessel
19/07/2020	09:00	Arriving at LIDAR buoy SOTS 1 and crew transfer onto the buoy
19/07/2020	09:00 – 11:00	Maintenance works – Fleetwood stand by
19/07/2020	11:00	Crew transfer back onto the Fleetwood work vessel and leaving the LIDAR buoy SOTS 1
19/07/2020	11:30	Stop at wave buoy SOTS 1
19/07/2020	11:30 – 11:45	Visual inspection of wave buoy
19/07/2020	11:45	Leaving the wave buoy SOTS 1

Date	Time (AEDT)	Operation
19/07/2020	12:30	Arriving at LIDAR buoy SOTS 2 and crew transfer onto the buoy
19/07/2020	12:30 – 14:30	Maintenance works – Fleetwood stand by
19/07/2020	14:30	Crew transfer back onto the Fleetwood work vessel and leaving the LIDAR buoy SOTS 2
19/07/2020	16:00	Arriving to Port Franklin
		<b>END OF OPERATIONS</b>

**Vessel details:**

<b>Fleetwood MSV12489 ZFL</b>	
General description	Workboat 11.99m x 4.8m
Call sign	VLV7802
MMSI	503094790
Mobile phone	0437 662 352
Onshore representative	Wayne Cripps



**General safety advice:**

All vessels engaged in an exploration activity will exhibit appropriate lights and shapes prescribed by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea; relative to their operations. All vessels engaged in the activity will also transmit an Automatic Identification System (AIS) message.

**MARINERS ARE ADVISED** to navigate with caution in the vicinity of Port Franklin/Port Albert and the Star of the South licence area (see plan below).

**ALL VESSELS ARE REQUESTED** to give any vessel engaged in an exploration activity a wide berth.

If you become entangled with our equipment or have had an accident, contact emergency services and the earliest convenience, please notify the Star of the South Project on:

**1800 340 340** or email [info@starofthesouth.com.au](mailto:info@starofthesouth.com.au)

**Further Information:**

For further information please contact the Star of the South Project on:

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