

Planning for Offshore Renewable Energy Infrastructure in Scottish Waters



Marine Planning in Scotland

- **Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 / UK Marine & Coastal Access Act 2009**
 - UK Marine Policy Statement
 - National Marine Plan
 - Regional Marine Plans
- **EU legislation requires Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of Plans / Programmes**
 - Sectoral Marine Plans
 - Strategic Environmental Assessment
 - Habitats Regulations Appraisal
 - Socio-economic Assessments
 - Consultation Analysis

Sectoral Marine Planning – ‘Proportionate’ Licensing

- **Identify strategic opportunities**
- **Identify strategic constraints**
- **Identify strategic measures for mitigation (if possible)**
- **Identify key strategic issues for consideration at the project level**
- **Enhance the framework in which consenting recommendations can be made to Scottish Ministers**

Sectoral Marine Planning Process

Identify / Refine Search Areas

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Consultation

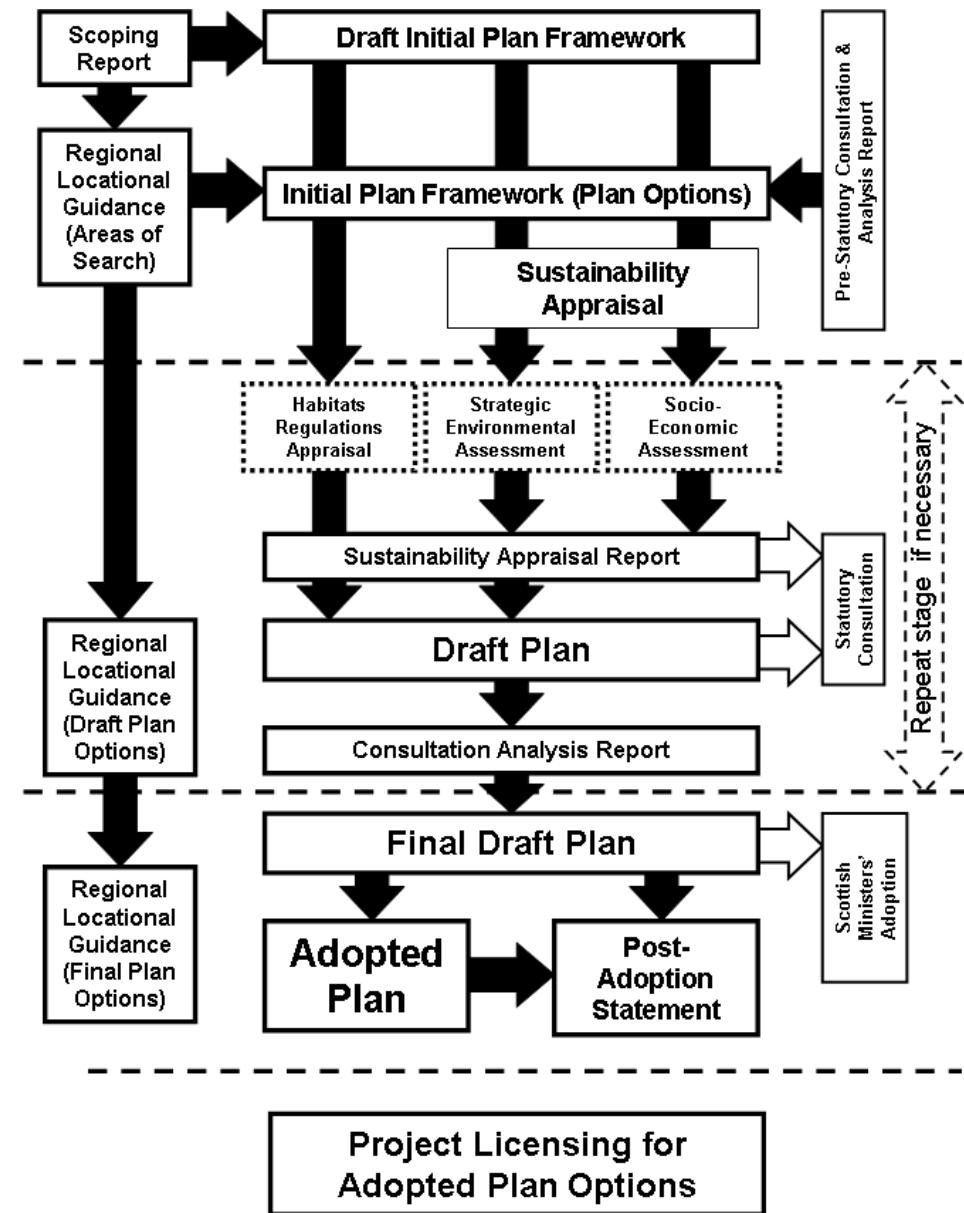
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Refine Areas

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Assess Areas

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Statutory Consultation

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Finalise Areas

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Adopt Areas

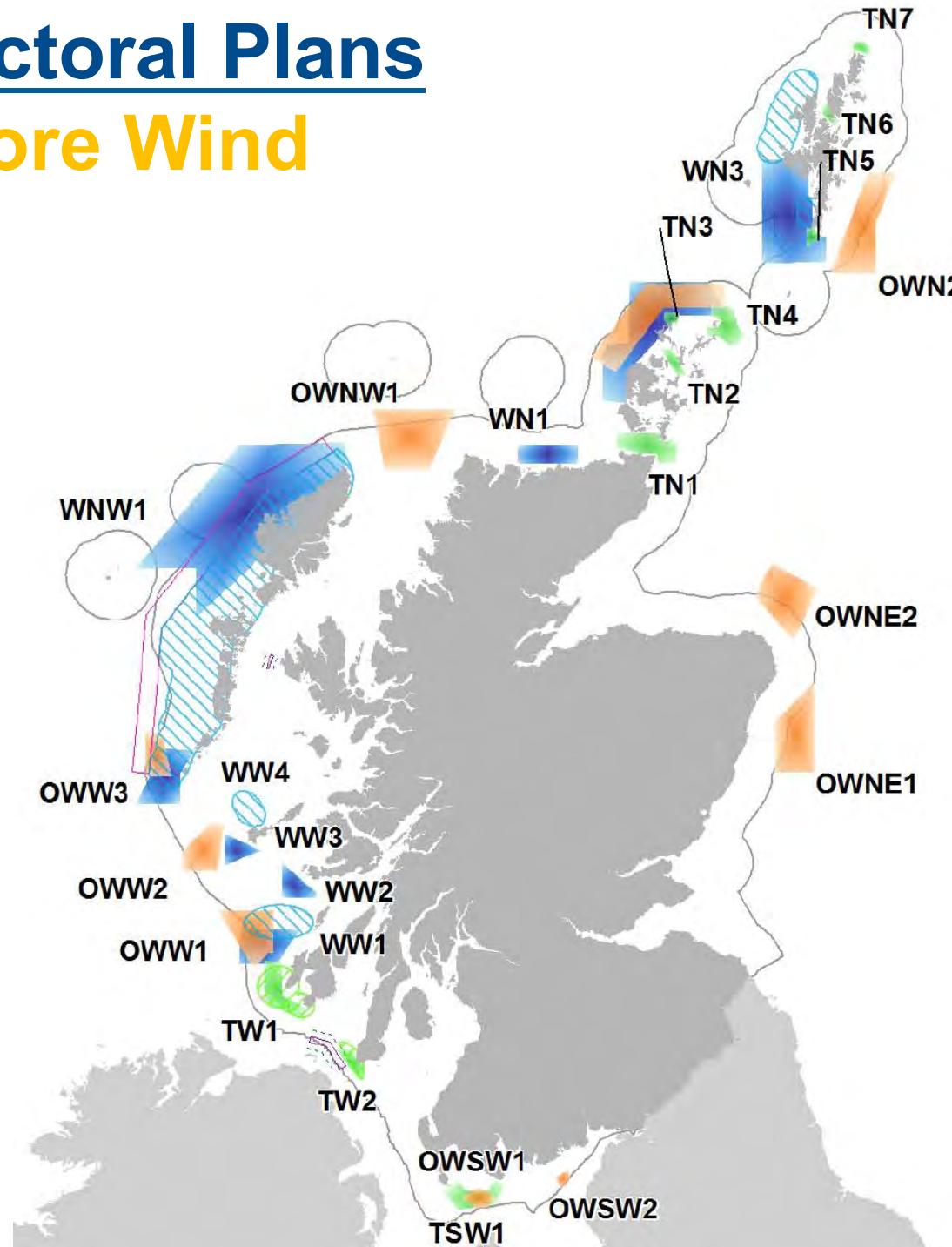


Developing the Draft Sectoral Plans

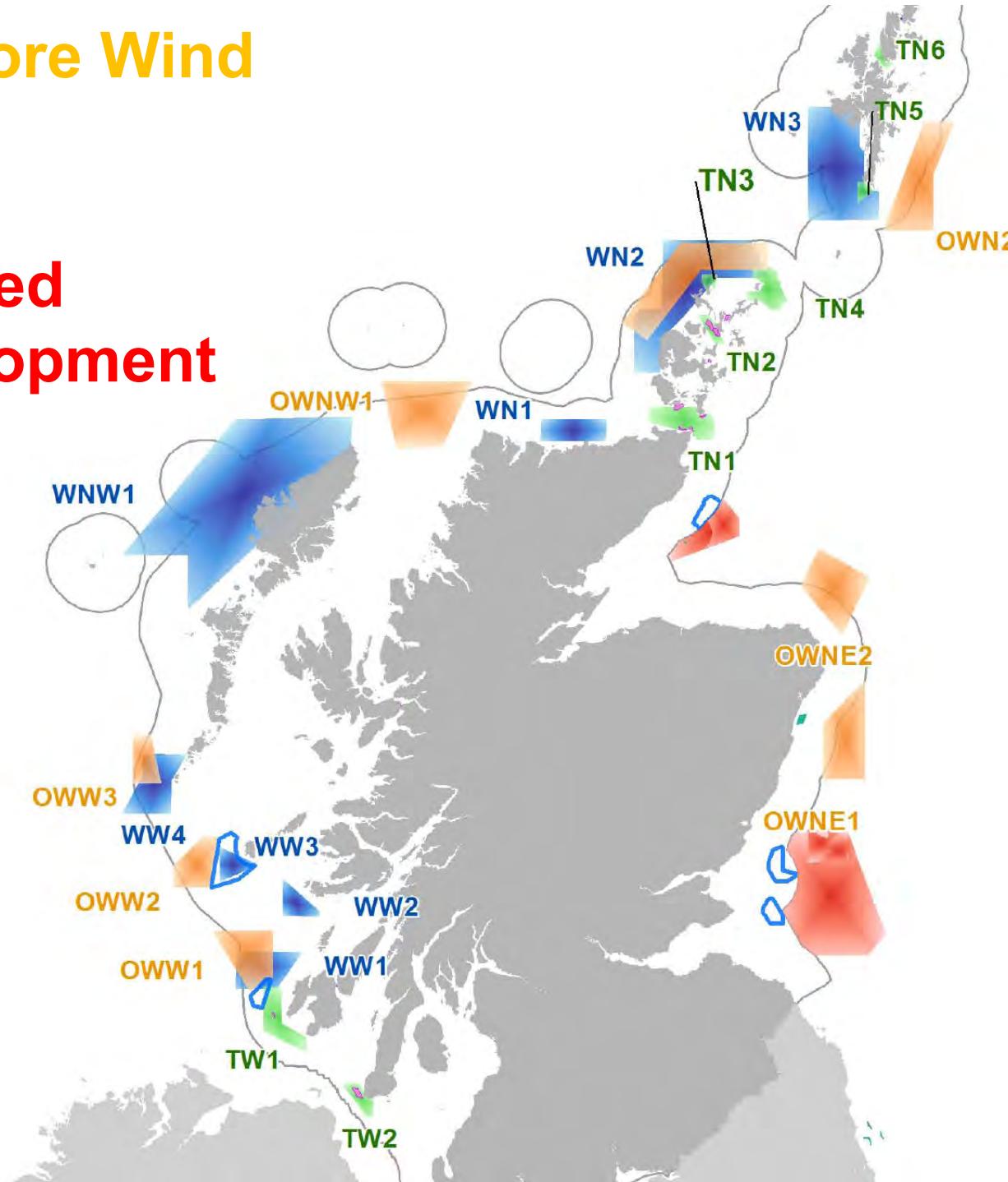
- Draft 'Plan Options' identified
- Draft Plan Options subject to sustainability appraisal:
 - Strategic Environmental Assessment
 - Habitats Regulations Appraisal
 - Socio-economic Impact Assessment
- The assessment findings contained the Draft Plans and subject to consultation

Draft Sectoral Plans

- Offshore Wind
- Wave
- Tidal



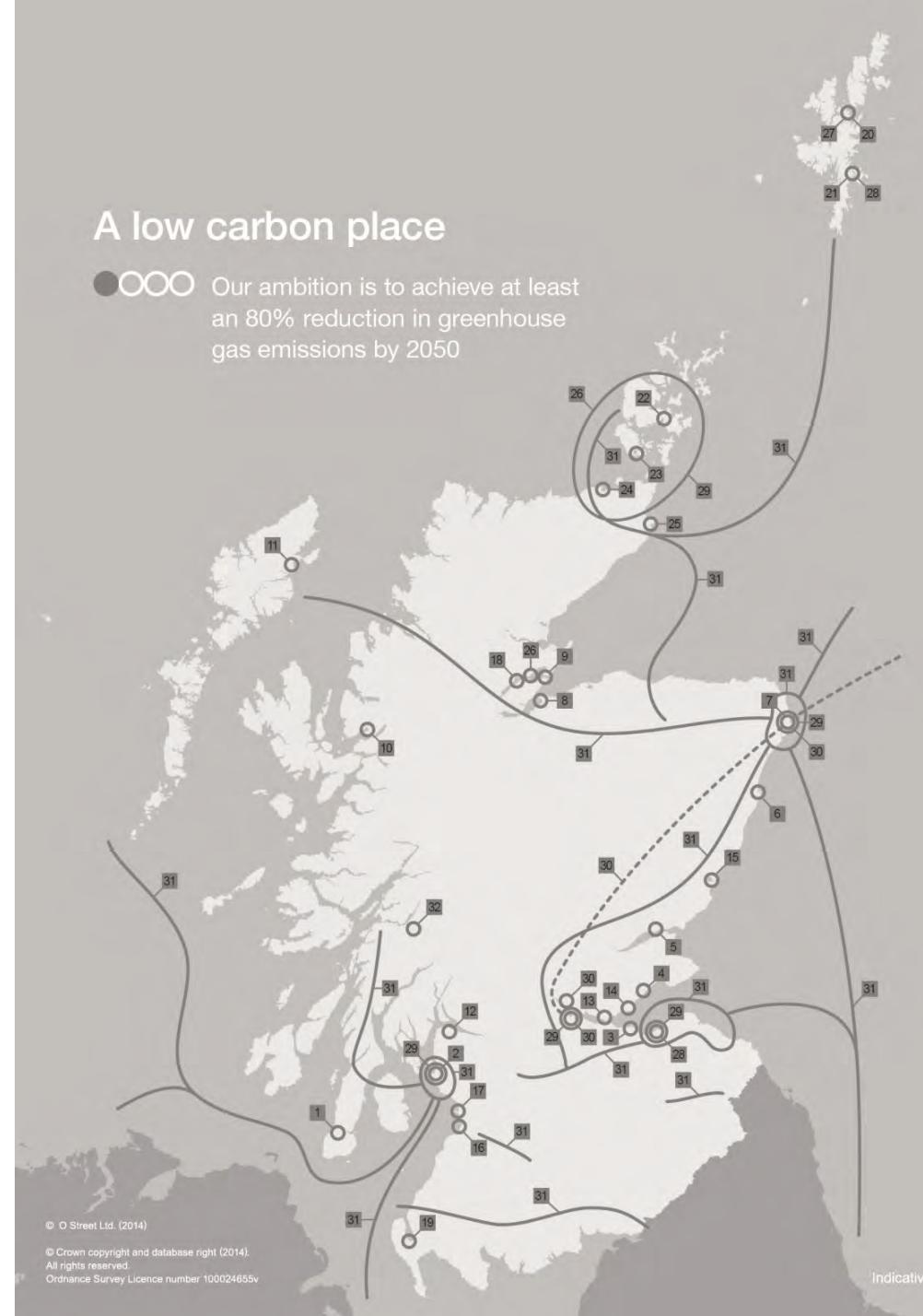
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- Planned Development



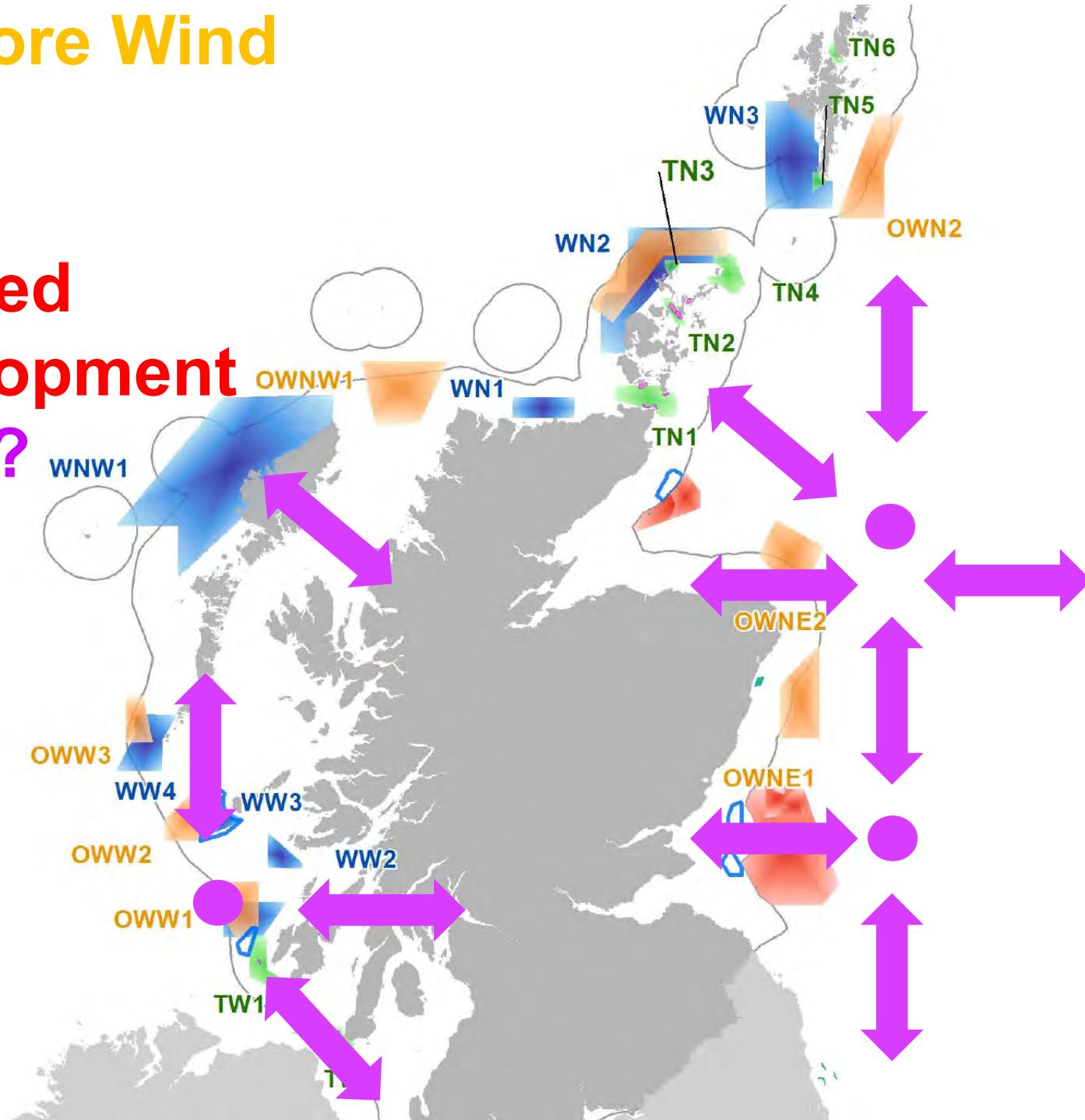
National Planning Framework

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- Integration of Terrestrial & Marine Grid
- Strategic Landing Points
- Terrestrial Hubs

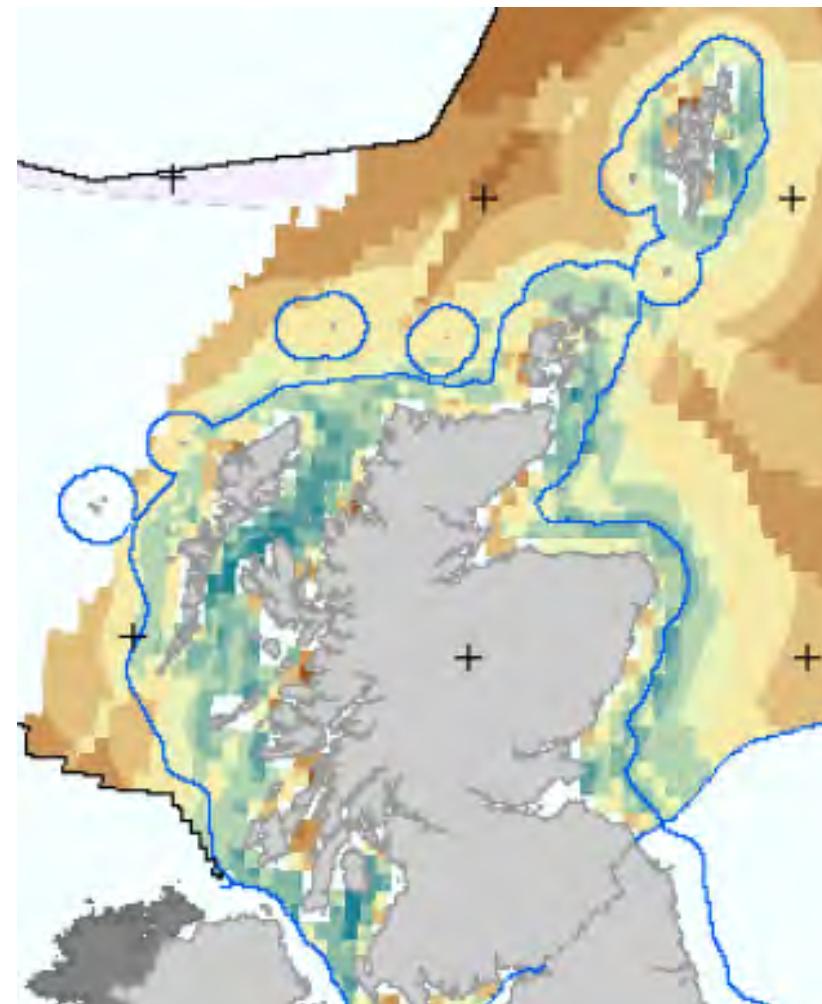


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- Tidal
- Planned Development
- Grid??



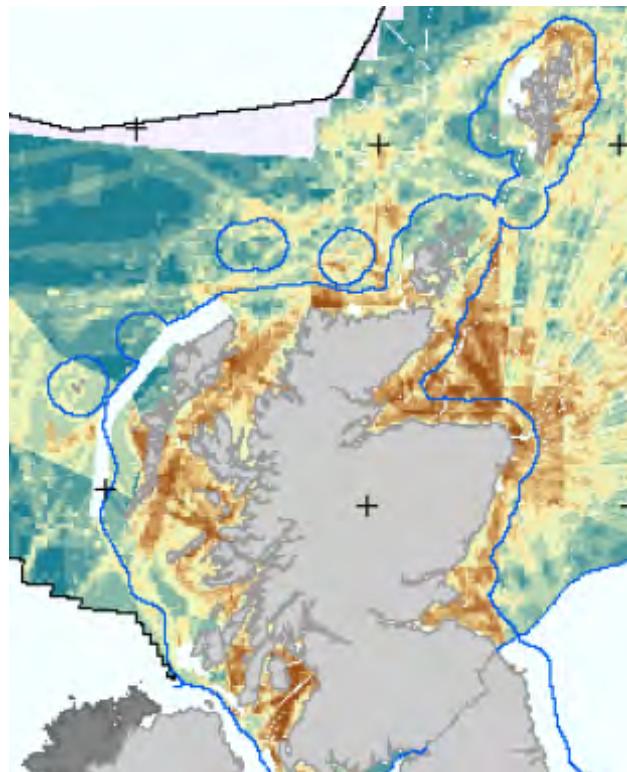
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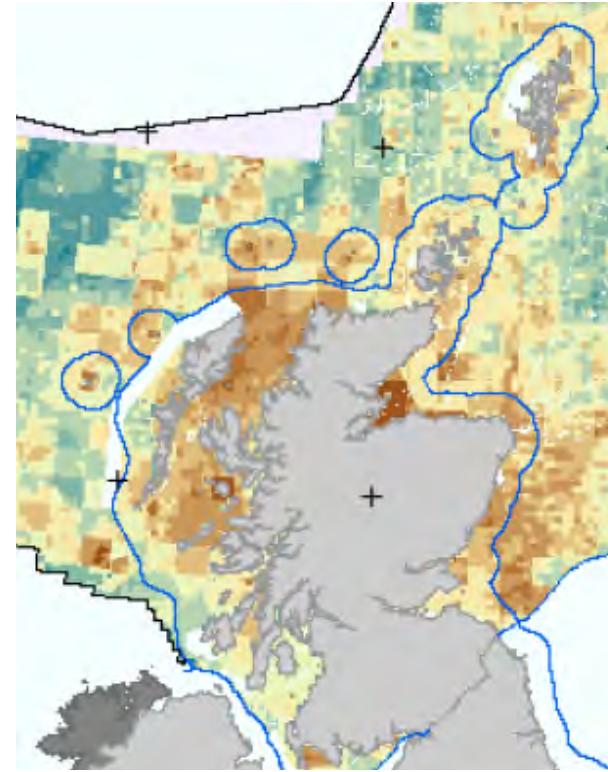


Constraints Models

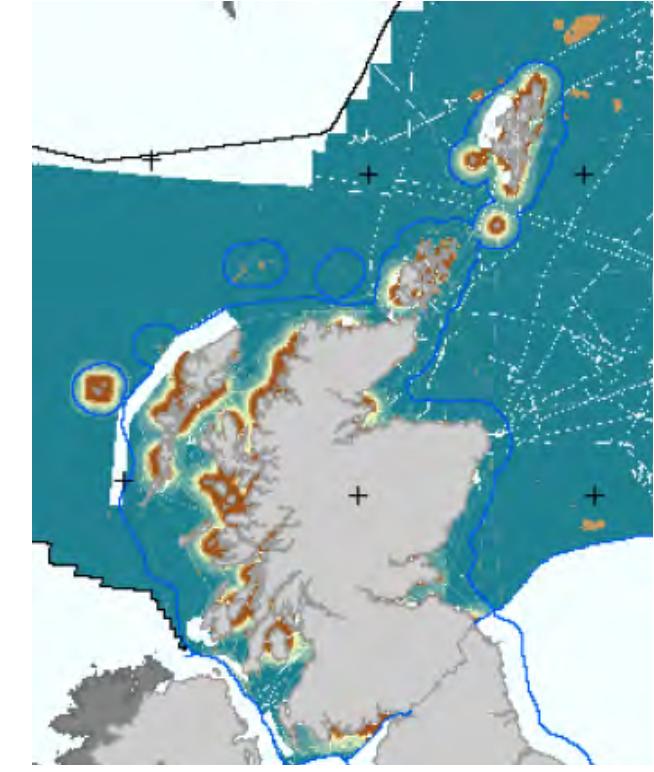
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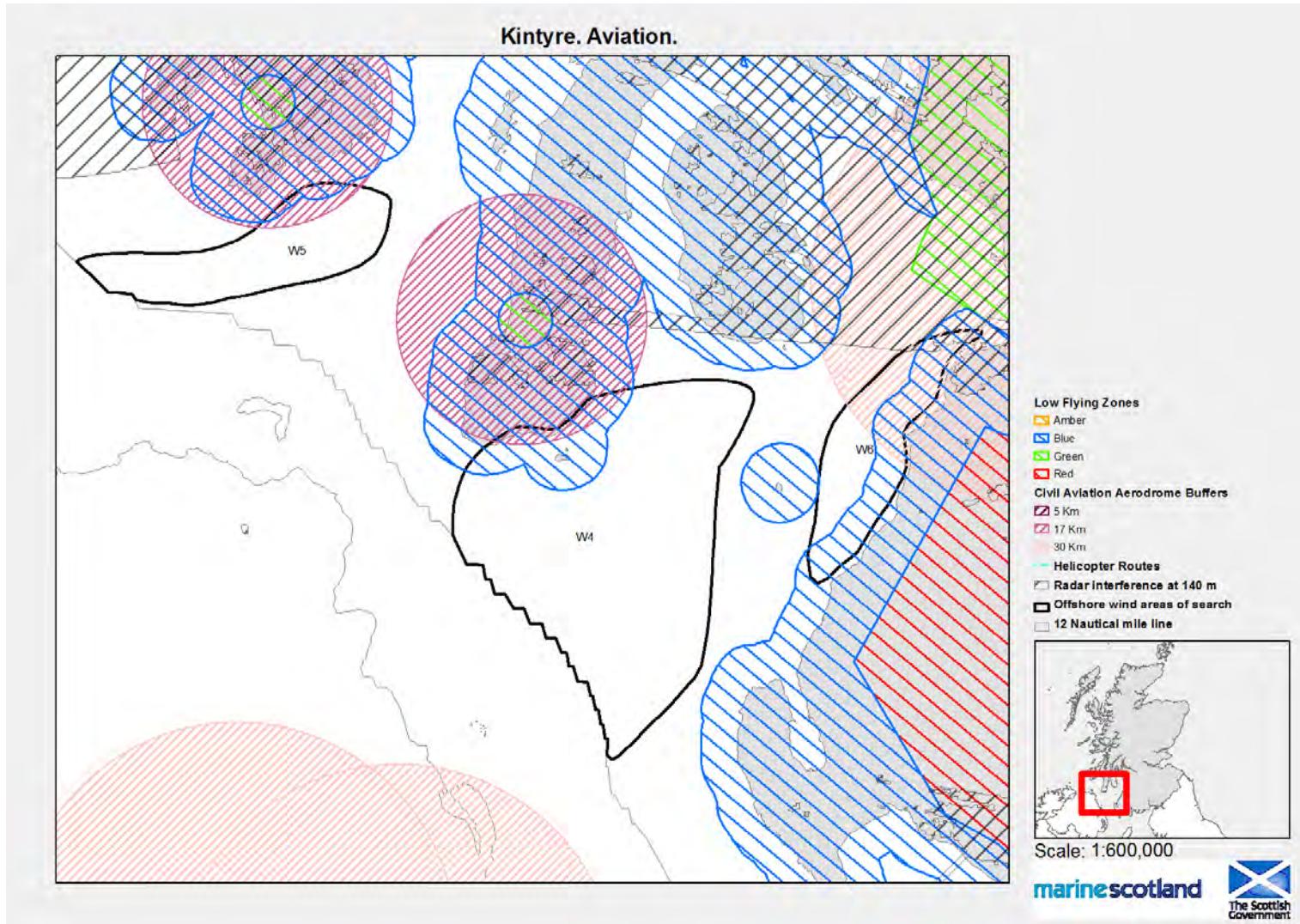
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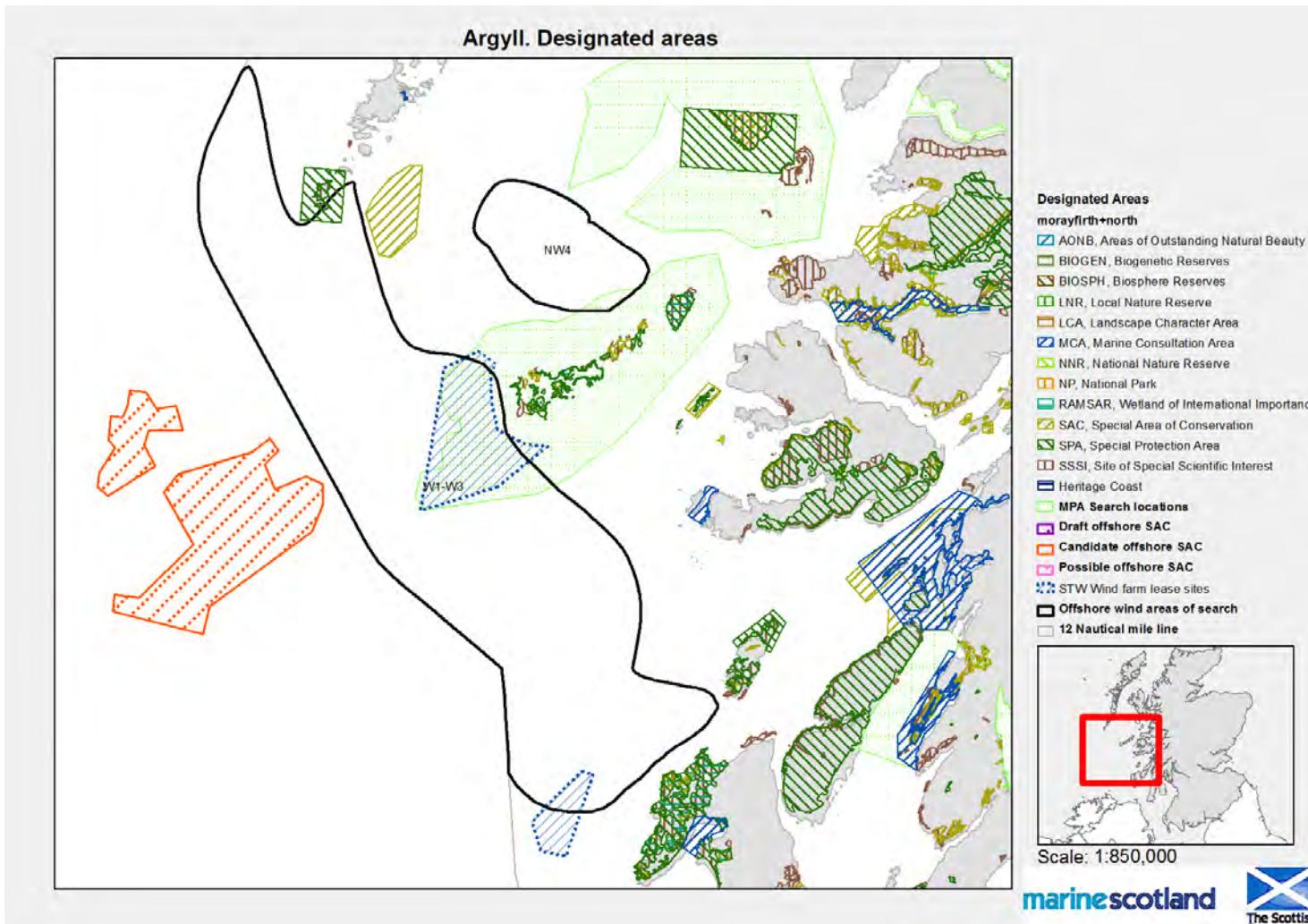
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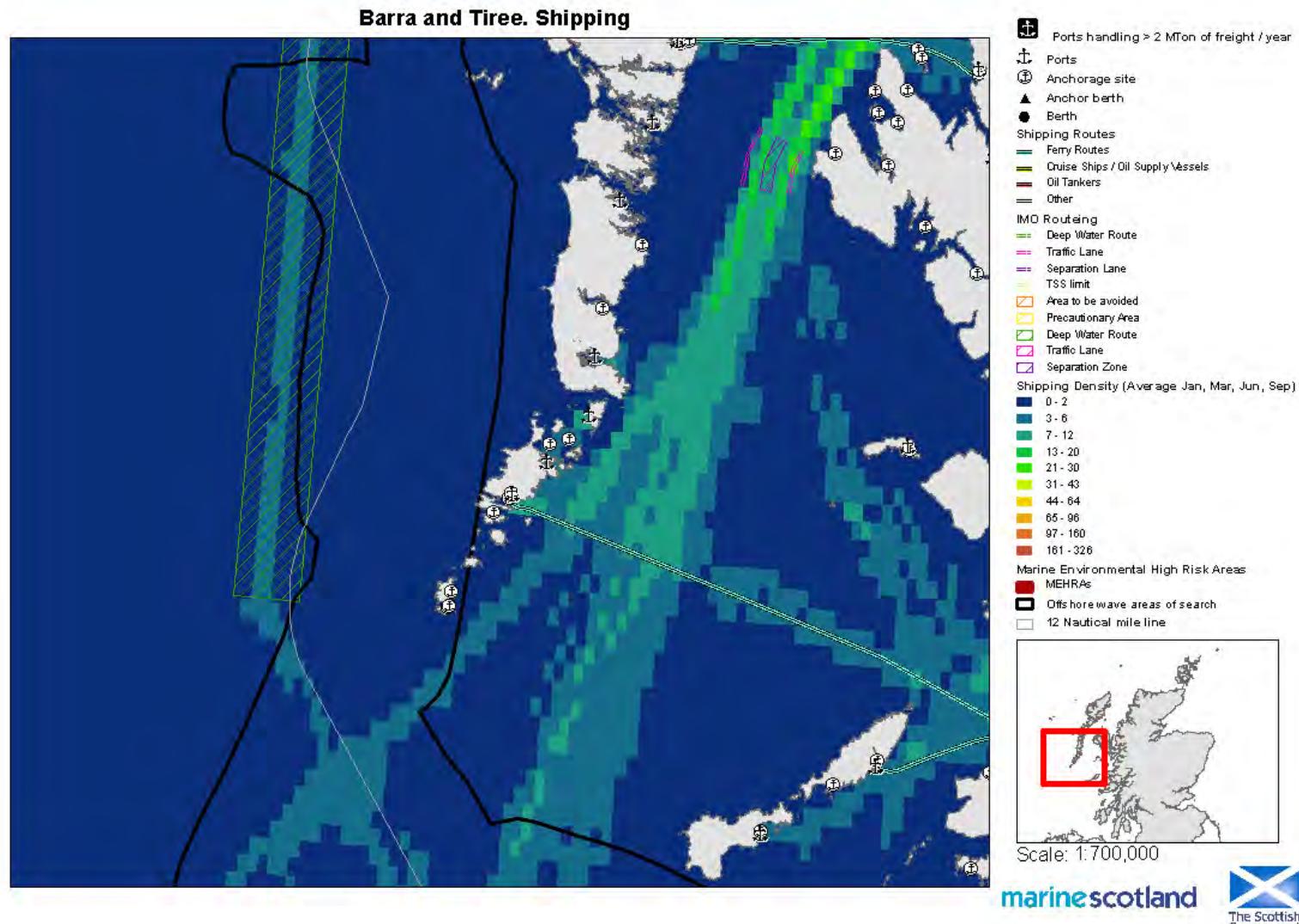
Draft RLG – Offshore Wind – Aviation



Draft RLG – Offshore Wind – Designated Areas



Draft RLG – Wave – Shipping



Consultation Events

<i>Pre-consultation workshops</i>	<i>Sectoral Stakeholder Consultation Sessions</i>	<i>Regional workshops – Pre- and Statutory Consultation Stage</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offshore Wind Industry• Fishing Industry• Shipping and Ports Sectors• RYA• SEA Consultation Authorities• Environment NGOs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aquaculture• Shipping, Sailing, Ports and Aviation• Tourism and Recreation• Offshore Wind Industry• Fishing Industry• Scottish Coastal Forum / Scottish Environment LINK• Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ullapool• Inverness• Edinburgh• Dumfries*• Wigtown*• Campbeltown*• Oban• Stornoway• Lerwick / Brae• Peterhead• Dundee• Barra• Tiree*• Kirkcudbright• Islay*• Port William• Coll• Elgin• Glasgow

Stakeholder Involvement

- **Scoping ‘Area of Search’ Stage –**
 - RLGs present applied information for stakeholder comments
 - Stakeholders have opportunity to input more accurate and up-to-date information
 - Communities engage in ‘Pre-consultation’ Events
- **Draft Plan Option ‘Assessment Stage’ –**
 - Stakeholders form Steering Group for Sustainability Appraisal to ensure –
 - Correct information has been applied
 - They are content with assessment methodology to account for impacts
- **‘Consultation’ Stage**
 - Engage with communities around Scotland
- **Consultation Analysis Stage**
 - Verify consultation results and ensure key themes are captured

Timetable

- **Process will commence in early 2014**
- **First Stage - Scoping for Plan and Sustainability Appraisal (SEA & Socio-economics)**
- **Draft Plan for consultation late 2014 / early 2015**
- **Engagement with Fishing, Shipping, Aviation, Tourism, Recreation, Defence, Aquaculture, Salmon fisheries &, Coastal Forums Groups & Communities**

Questions?

- **Further Information -**
- **Offshore Renewable Energy Planning
Webpage**
- [**http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/marine/
marineenergy/Planning**](http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/marine/marineenergy/Planning)
- **Offshore Renewable Energy Planning Mailbox**
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