



Marine Survey Office

Leeson Lane,

Dublin 2

16th January 2026

Subject: S0037-01 Wicklow County Council - Wicklow Port - Revised Application

Good day,

After careful consideration, the Marine Survey Office has no objection to the proposed dredging operations contained in the application referenced in the subject line from a navigational safety perspective.

However, the following shall be noted;

1. It is noted from EIA Report that provision is made for the operation of autonomous unmanned vessels. AUV and MASS vessels are undergoing trial assessment within the Irish Jurisdiction. If the project intends to progress the use of such vessels early and direct engagement is required mso@transport.gov.ie .
2. The Licensee shall ensure all hazards to safe navigation are easily identifiable to all mariners operating within or in the vicinity of the license area for the duration of any on-site activity to ensure the safety of navigation is maintained.
3. The Licensee shall, through consultation and agreement with the Department of Transport, Marine Survey Office, arrange for the publication of a Marine Notice through the Maritime Safety Policy Division <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-transport/services/submit-a-marine-notice/> .
4. Where a Marine Notice is published and subsequent changes to dates of operations, location, or area of schedule of works or vessels engaged in the operation, the licensee must inform MSPD of such changes in a prompt and timely manner, so that relevant safety of navigation information is provided in an updated Marine Notice.



Regards,

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