

Block Island Survey Activity

Mariners Briefing

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Overview

These briefings are intended to update mariners on marine operations for the Block Island Wind Farm surveys. Survey operations are planned to support the Block Island Wind Farm (see chart). These operations involve only the survey phase of the projects.

Mariners briefings are submitted as needed to the U.S. Coast Guard and distributed to the fishing community and interested mariners on our website at: us.orsted.com/mariners or via email upon request through Rodney Avila (RODAV@orsted.com).

Vessels will designate a working channel on VHF 16 daily at 0600 and 1800

About the Wind Farm

Located approximately 3 miles south east of Block Island, Rhode Island, the Block Island Wind Farm consists of five, six megawatt offshore wind turbines, a submarine cable connecting the turbines, and a submarine cable from the northernmost turbine to an interconnection point on Block Island.

We will be conducting a near-shore geophysical survey off of Crescent Beach, Block Island. The survey will be based from a remotely operated underwater vehicle (ROV). The ROV will operate between the beach out to approximately 2,500' off of Crescent Beach. This geophysical survey is part of ongoing efforts to characterize this dynamic near-shore environment.

- Projected Start: December 8th 2018
- Projected End: December 17th 2018
- For general information on the wind farm, please visit: us.orsted.com/wind-projects

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Vessel Name	Site Function	Project	Date/Activity	Projected Outlook
Small Skiff to support ROV	Survey	Block Island Wind Farm	December 3 rd / 4 th mobilize at BIWF town beach	December 5 th begin ROV survey from the beach. Small boat will standby for support if needed

All Mariners transiting or fishing in the survey area are requested to give a wide berth to survey vessels as they may be limited in their ability to maneuver (VRAM) and towing gear out to 300 meters behind the vessel. Vessels in the vicinity of the survey vessels should operate in a manner that will not endanger the vessel or associated equipment

