

# ***MPAs to help save Scottish seas: the NGO perspective***



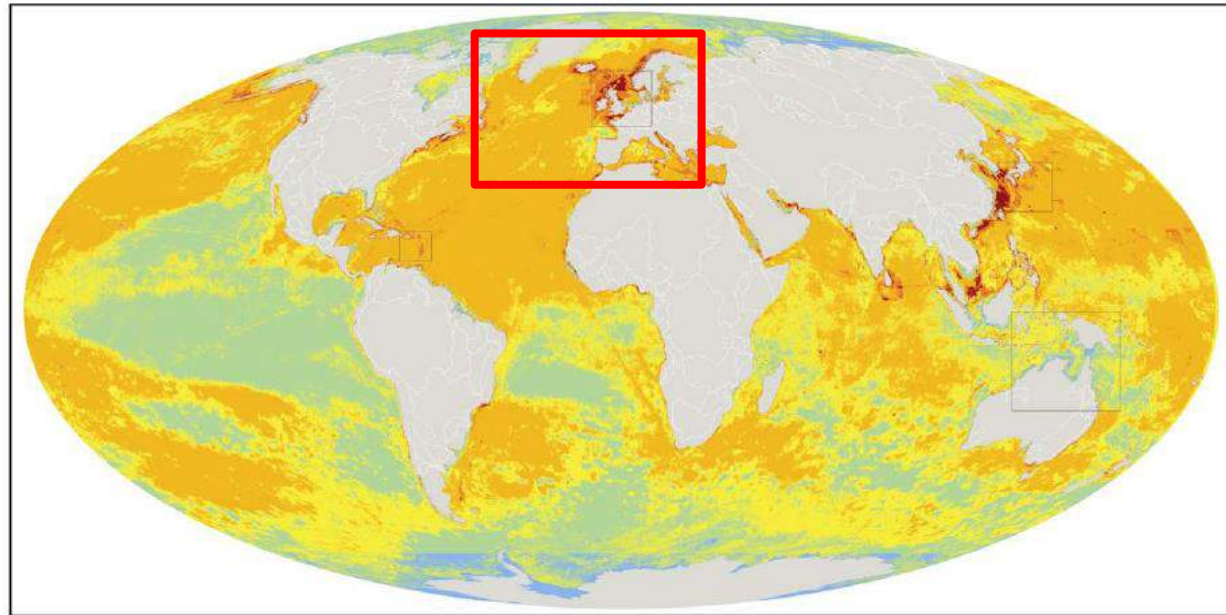
Calum Duncan, Head of Conservation Scotland  
Marine Conservation Society

# Overview

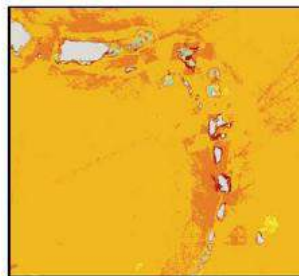
- ☐ **Scotland's seas in context**
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# UK in a global context

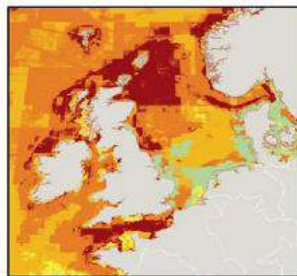
Benjamin S.  
Halpern, *et al*  
(2008).  
**A Global Map of  
Human Impact  
on Marine  
Ecosystems**  
*Science* **319**, 948



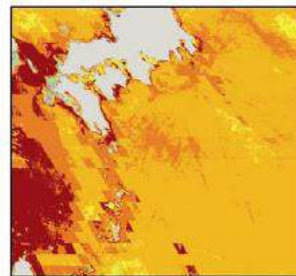
■ Very Low Impact (<1.4)   
 ■ Medium Impact (4.95–8.47)   
 ■ High Impact (12–15.52)  
■ Low Impact (1.4–4.95)   
 ■ Medium High Impact (8.47–12)   
 ■ Very High Impact (>15.52)



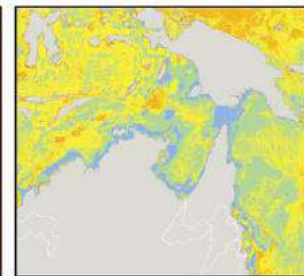
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North Sea



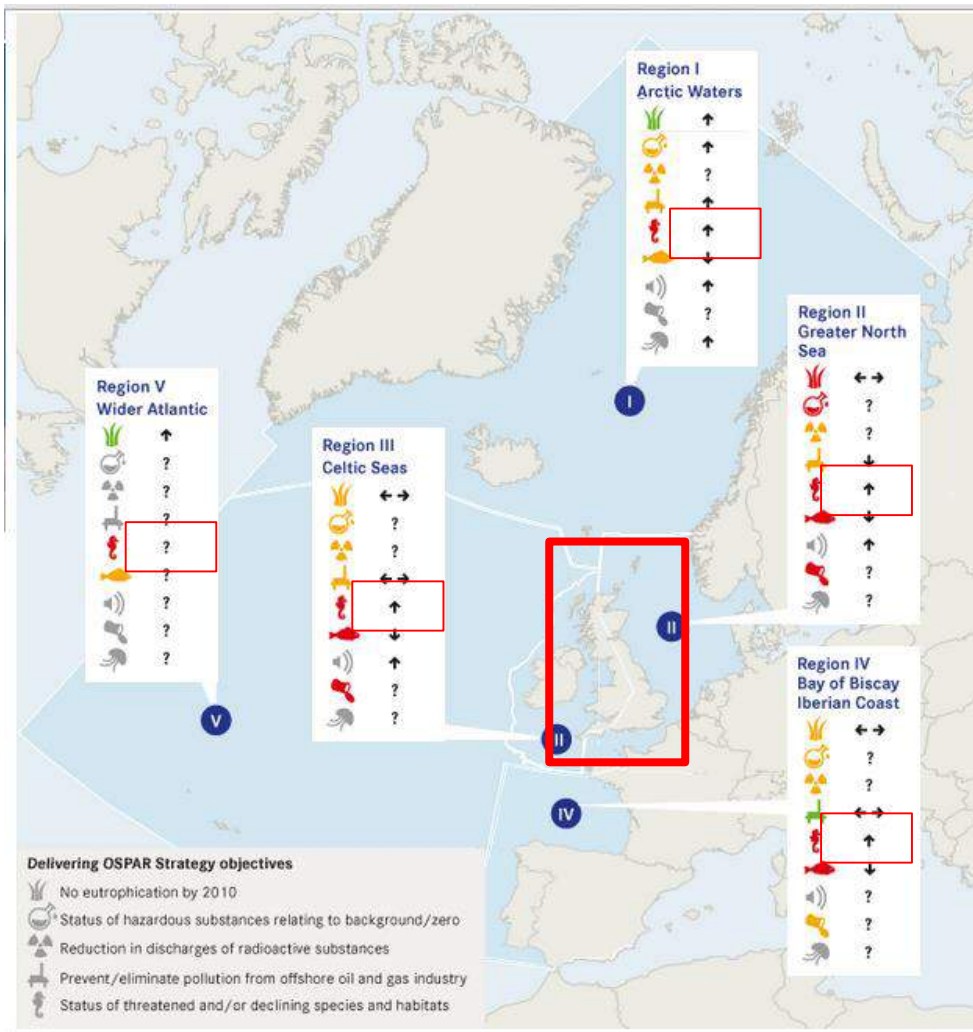
Japanese Waters



Torres Strait



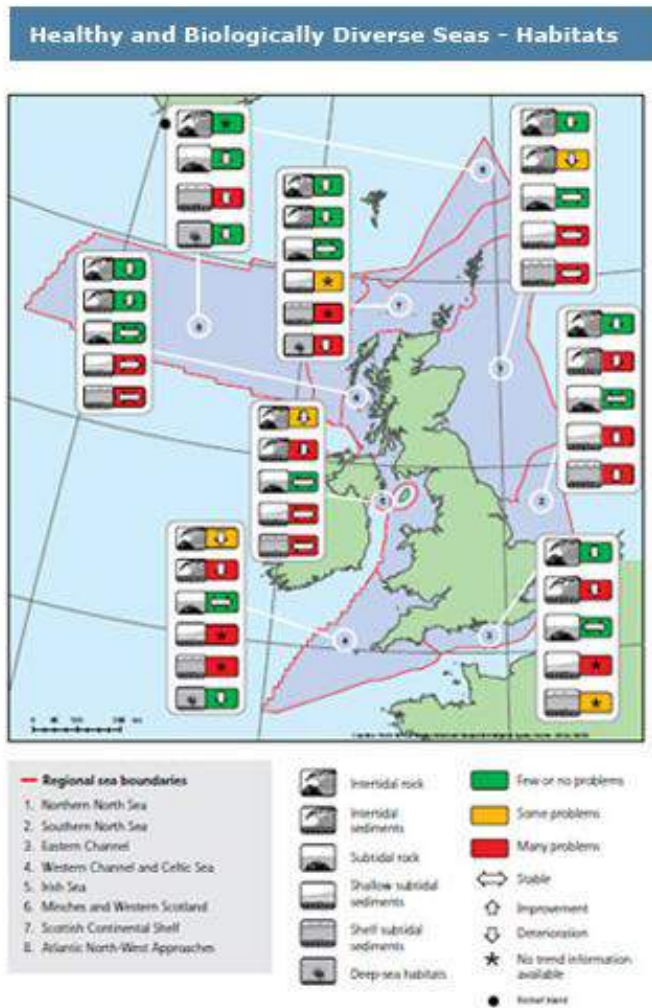
# OSPAR Quality Status Report 2010



“OSPAR’s actions are clearly helping to reduce pollution of the marine environment, but many problems persist. **The most widespread impacts on ecosystems result from fishing**, and the emerging impacts of climate change cause serious concern.”

Many **Th/D spp/habitats**  
Pressure expected to **increase**

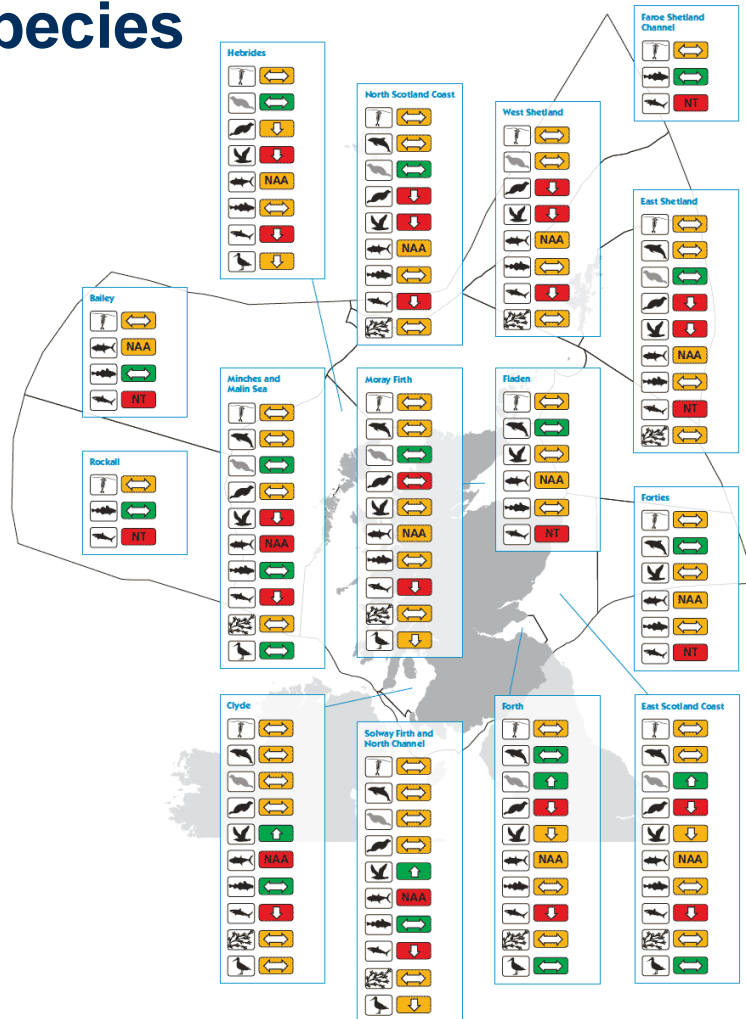
## Charting Progress 2 (2010)



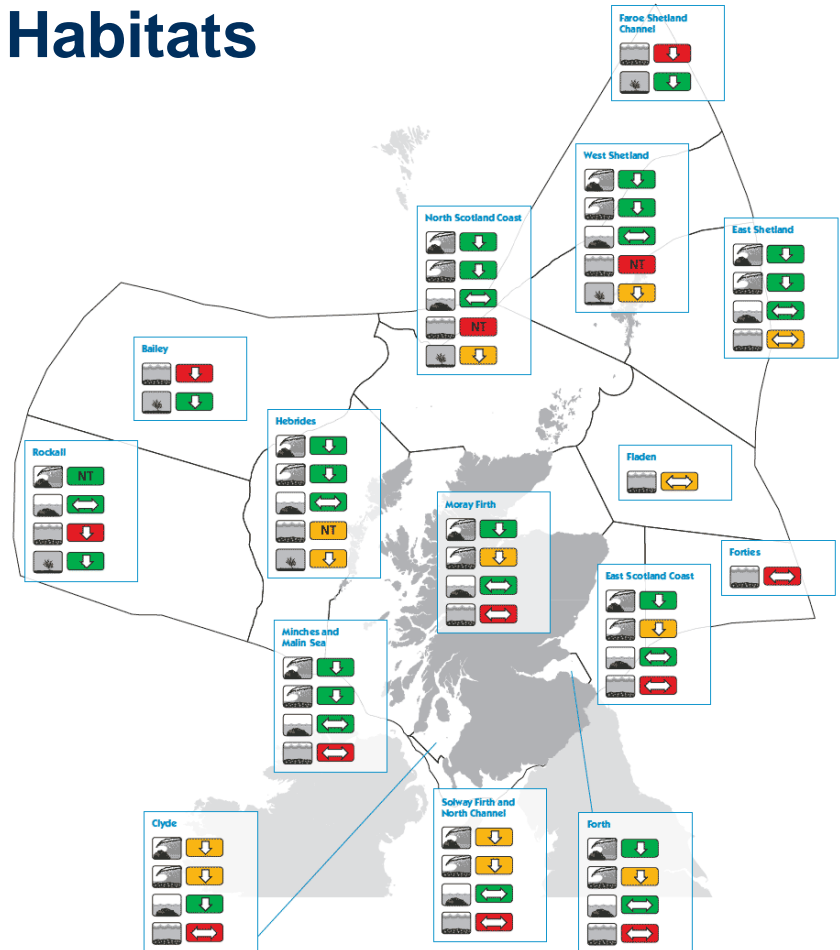
“Many seabed sedimentary habitats in large areas of the North Sea, the Western Channel and Celtic Sea, and the Irish Sea have been adversely affected, particularly by mobile fishing gears.”

# Scotland's Marine Atlas (2011)

## Species



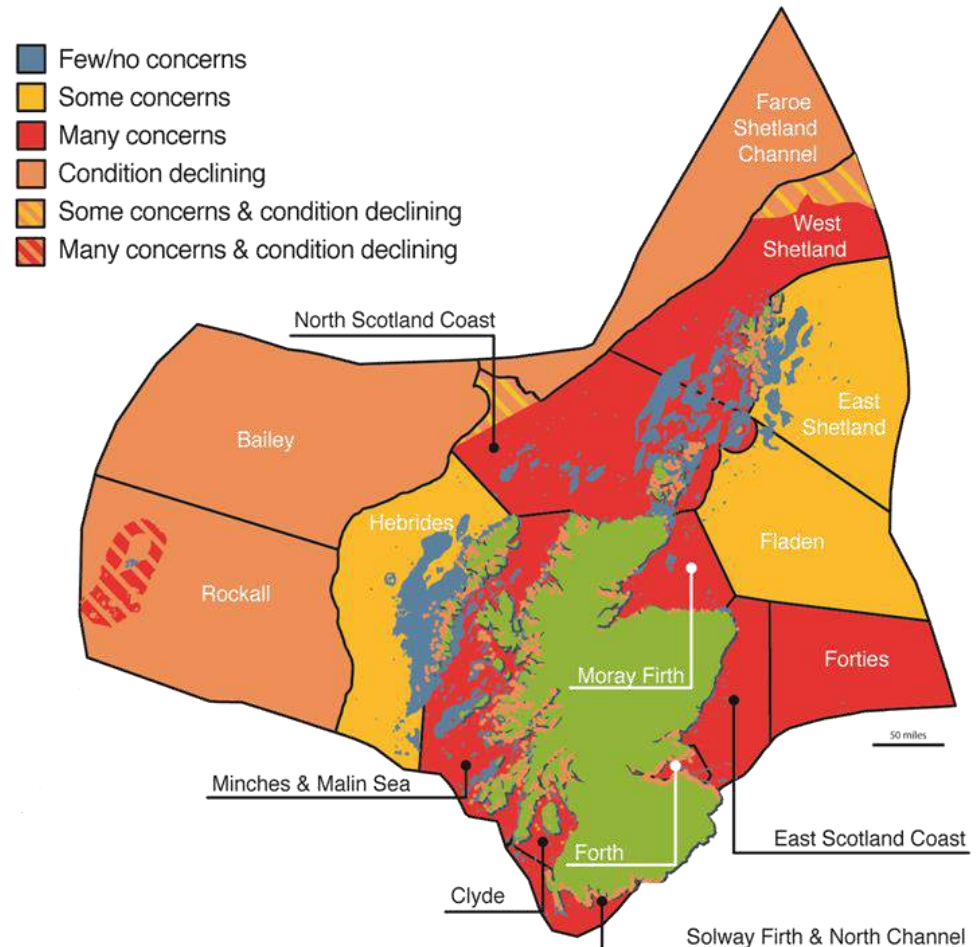
## Habitats



# The habitats picture made plain

“There are two significant pressures on the Scottish marine area which are widespread:

- Human activity contributing to **climate change**
- **Fishing**, which impacts on the seabed and species”

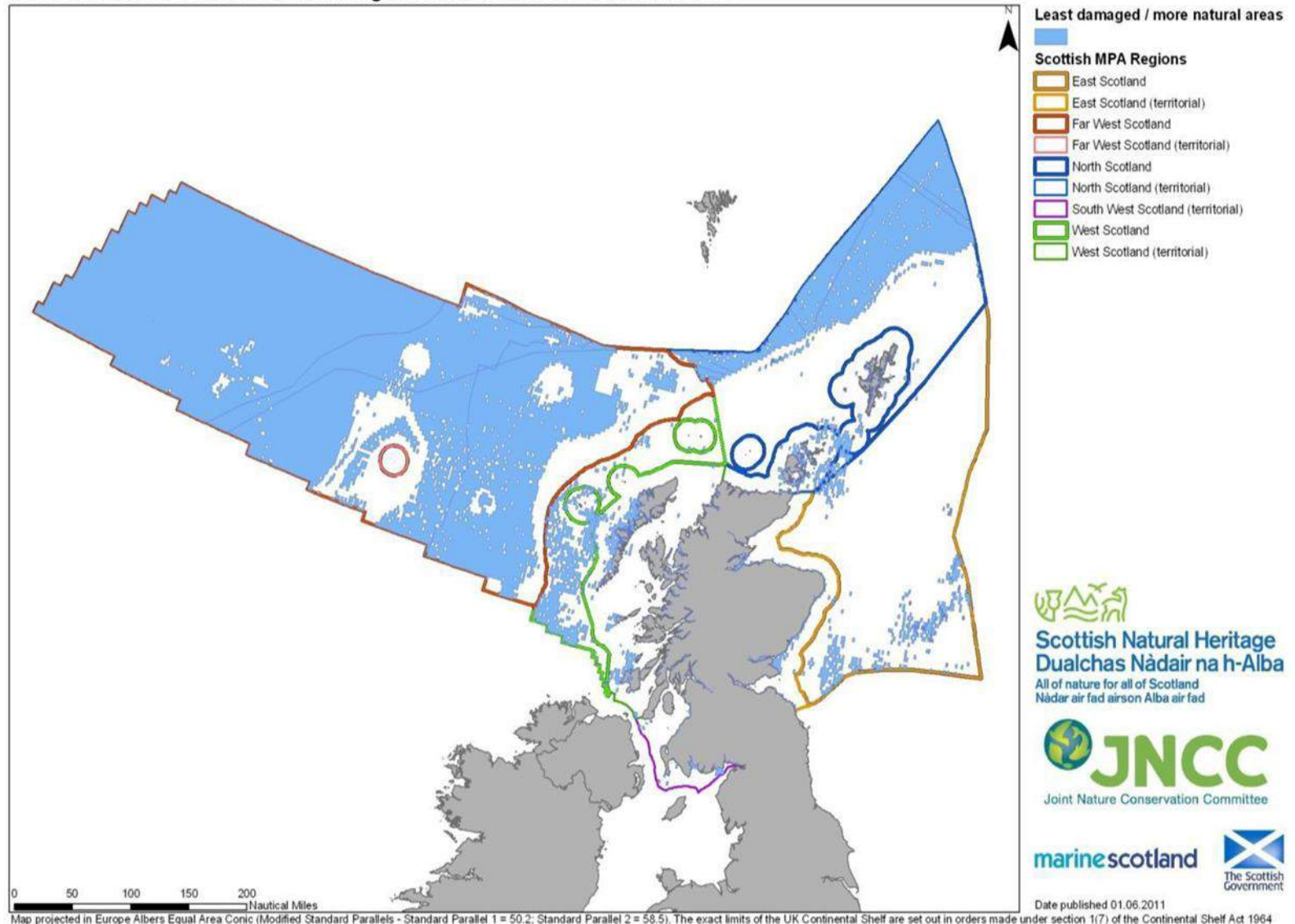


Source: Scotland's Marine Atlas 2011



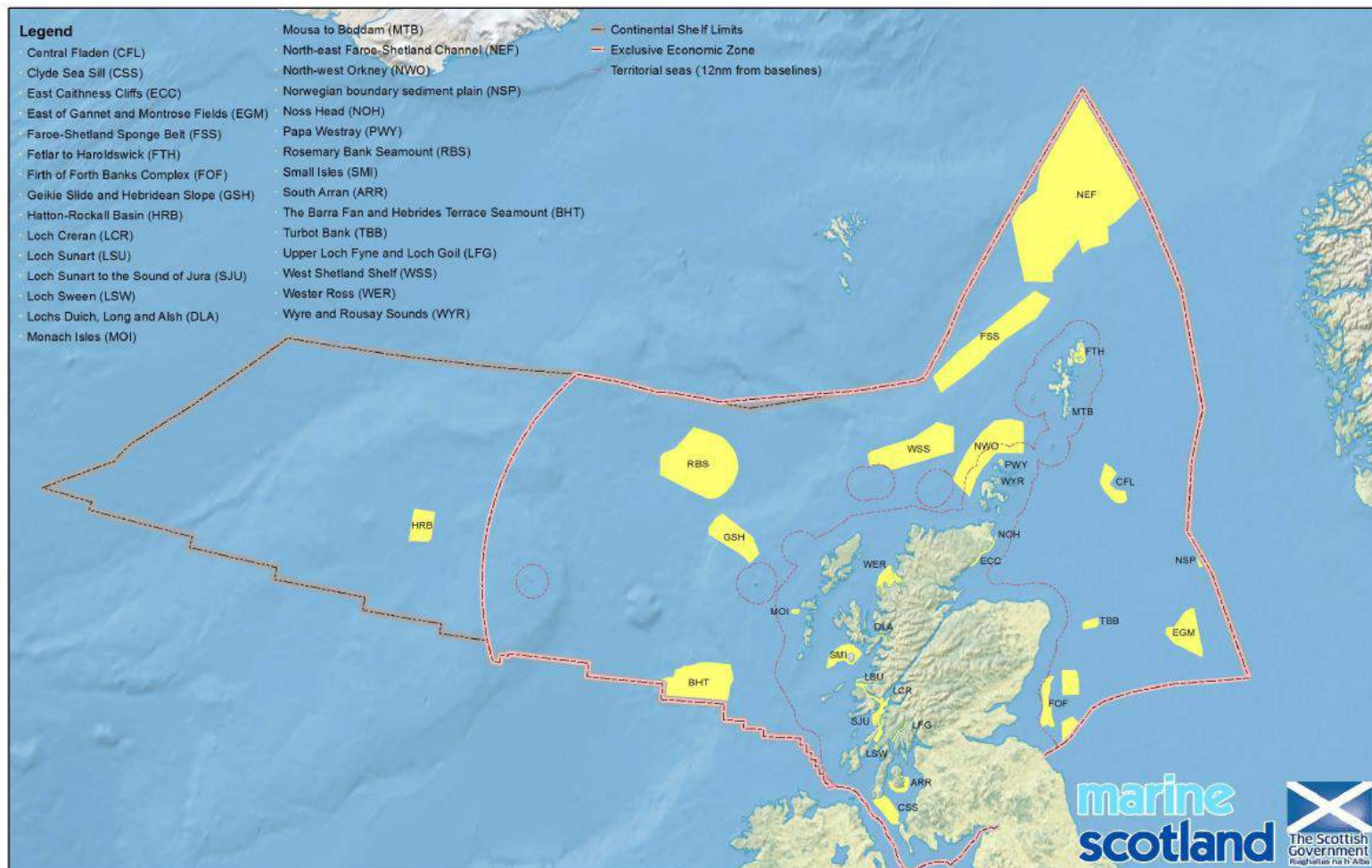
# Blue = Least Damaged/Most Natural

Areas considered to be least damaged/more natural in Scotland's seas



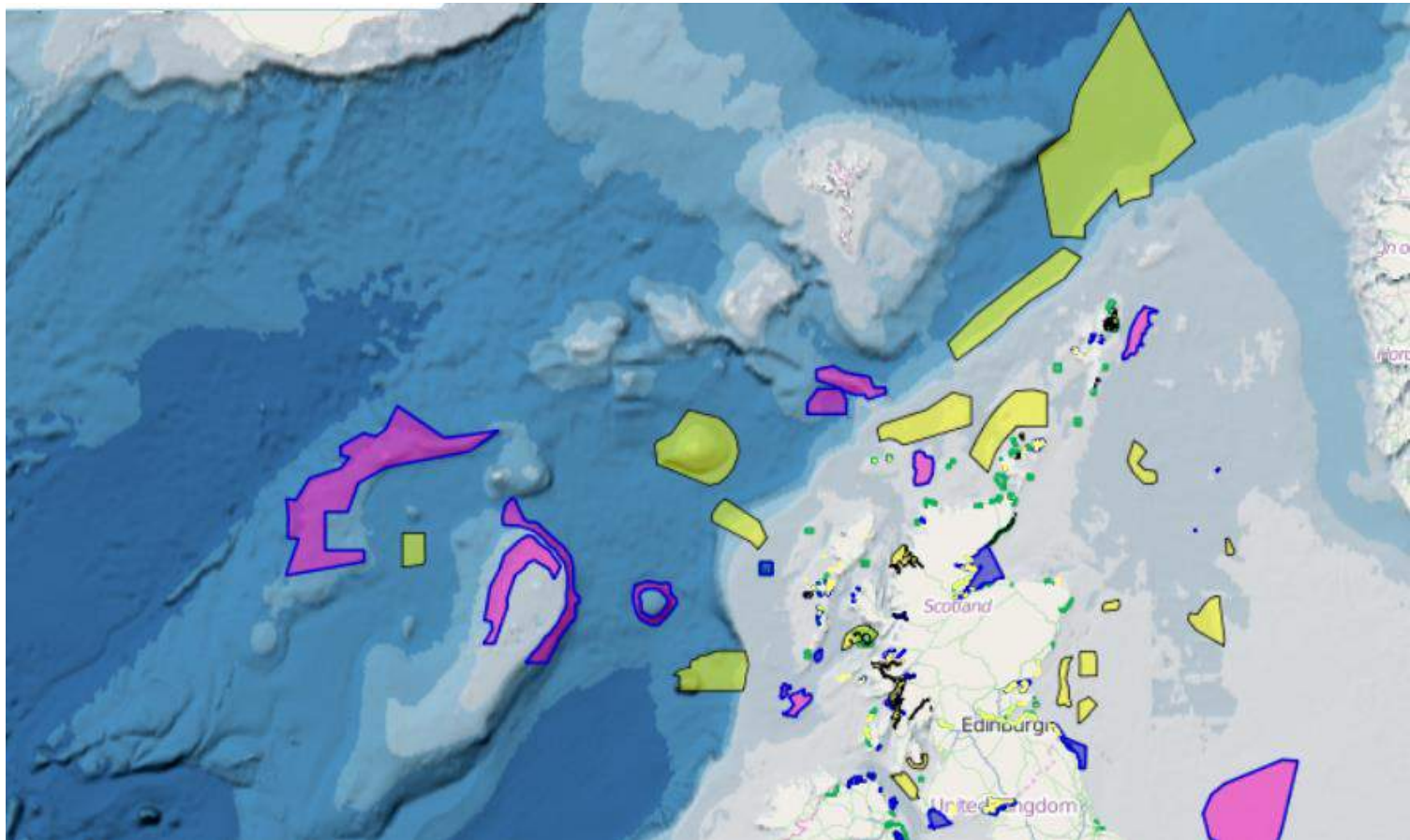


# 24 July 2014 - 30 new Scottish MPAs



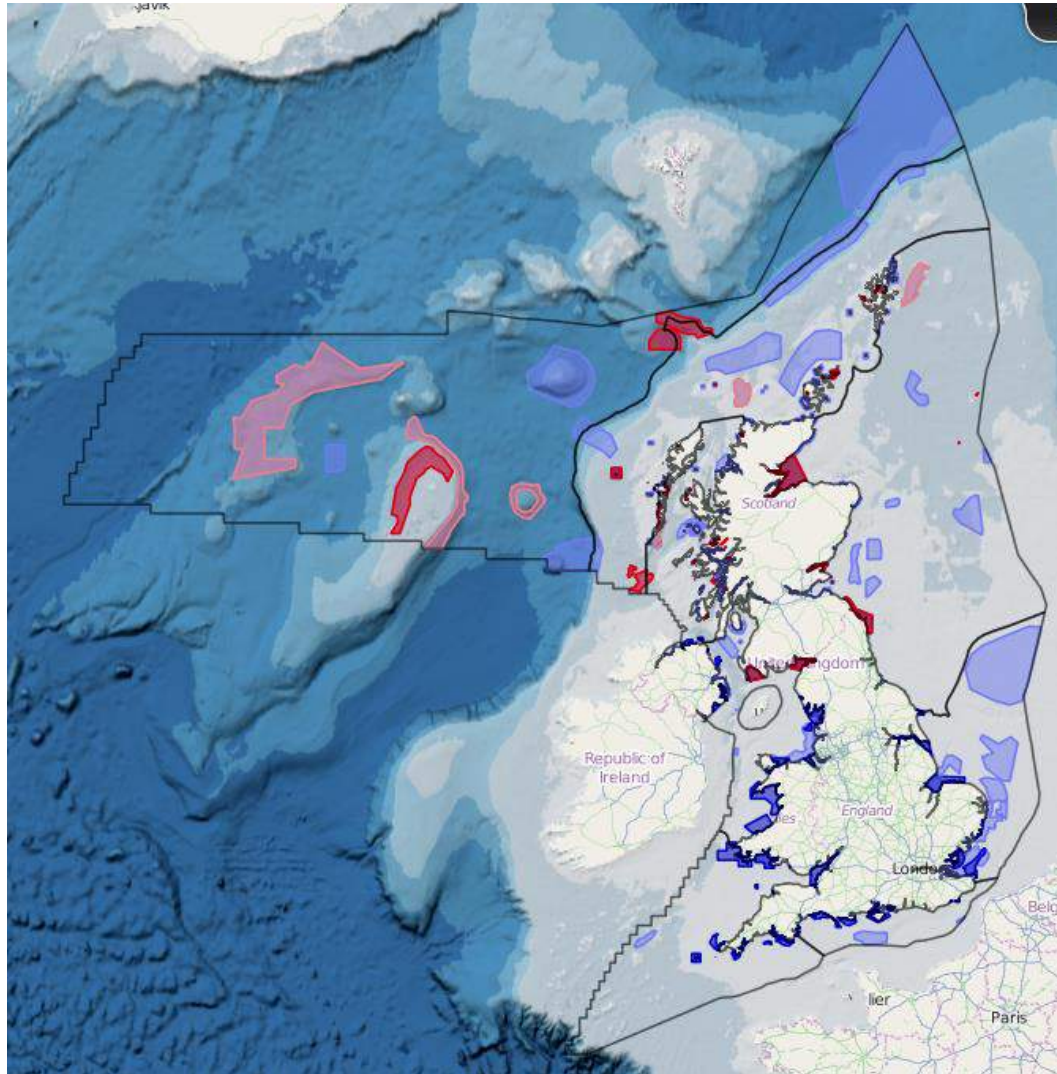
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# Scotland's MPA Network



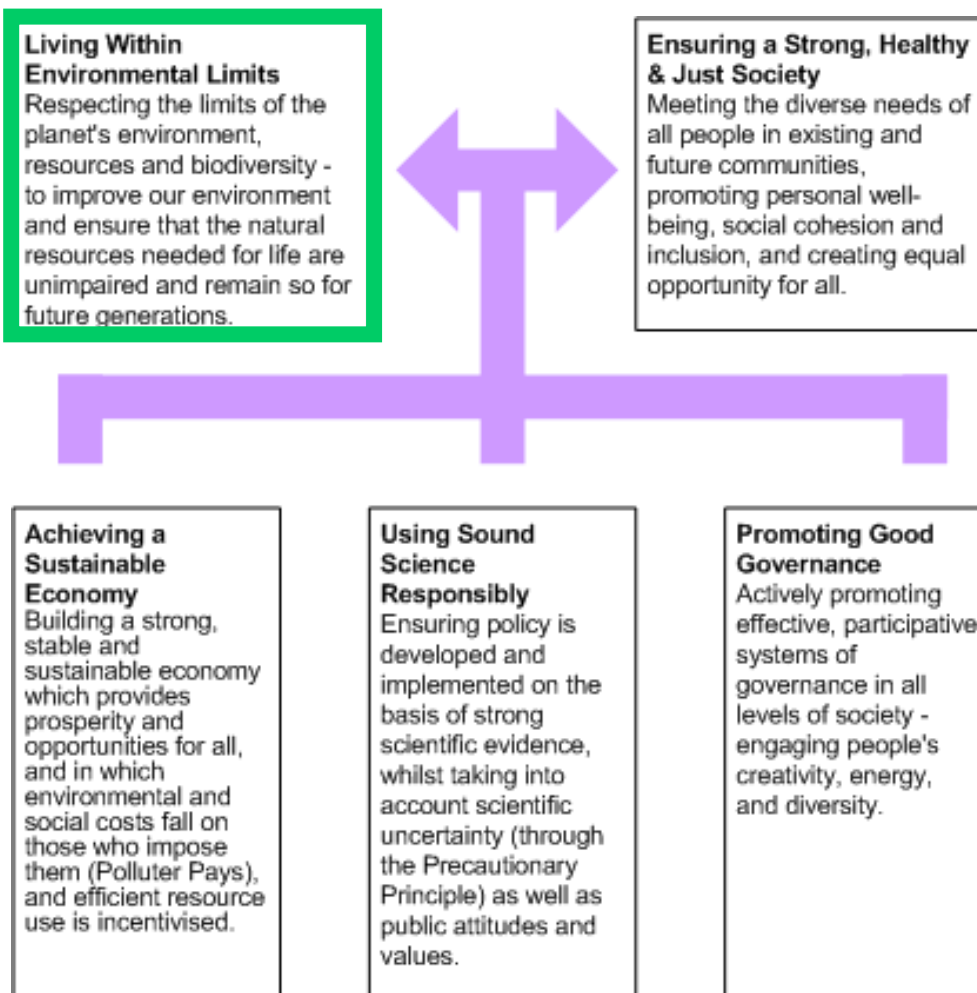


## Scottish sea area = 61% UK seas





# Living within Environmental Limits



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# Marine (Scotland) Act 2010

## Duties on Scottish Ministers to:

- ☐ Protect and **enhance** health of Scottish seas ✓
- ☐ Establish a National Marine Plan ✓
- ☐ Deliver a network of Marine Protected Areas ✓

OSPAR convention

World Summit on Sustainable Development (2012)

EU Marine Strategy Framework Directive



## What MPAs are for...

- ❑ *Protecting & recovering* marine biodiversity
- ❑ Supporting and enhancing *ecosystem goods and services* e.g. seafood productivity, climate regulation, nutrient cycling, aggregates & recreation
- ❑ Boosting *recovery* in the health of our seas

...as part of a three-pillar approach to conservation



## SITES

ncMPAs e.g. South Arran  
SACs e.g. East Mingulay  
SPAs  
SSSIs



## SPECIES

WCA / NC(S)A  
EU Birds/Habitats  
OSPAR/IUCN



## WIDER SEAS

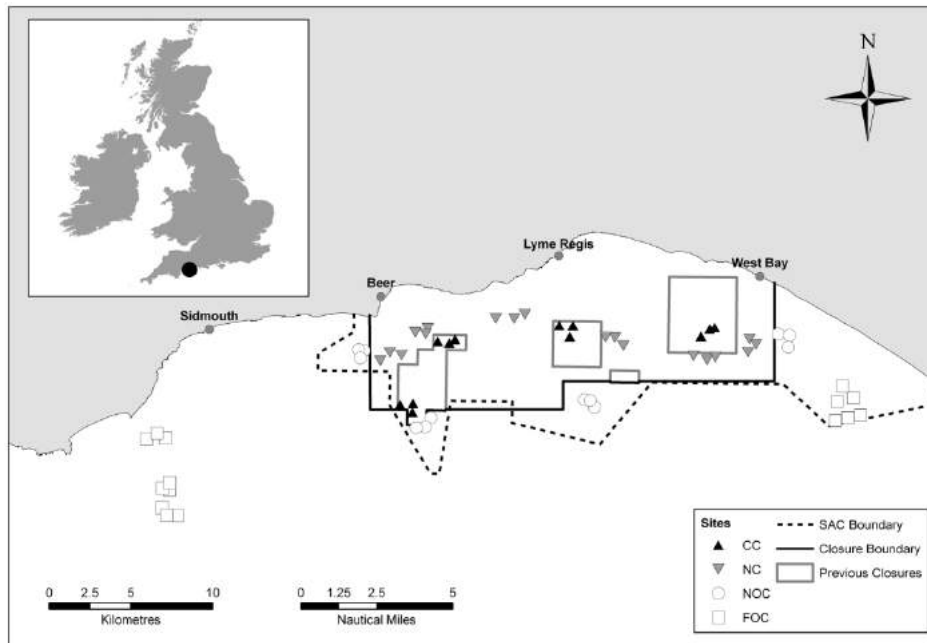
Marine Planning  
Fishery regulation  
Licensing

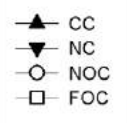
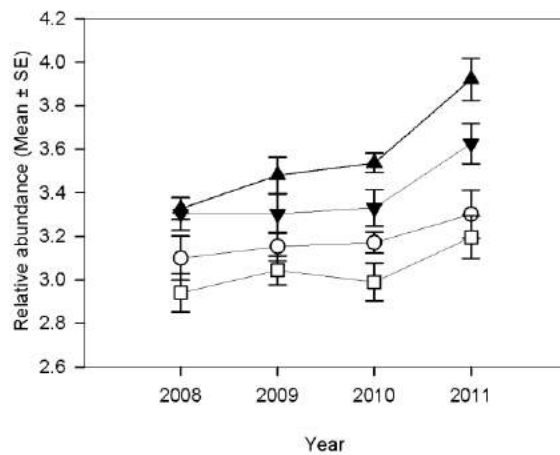
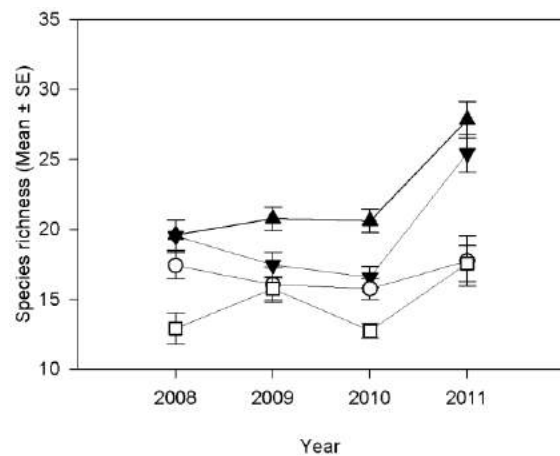
# Recovery!

- ❑ Recover spatial *extent* of a habitat
- ❑ Recover *biodiversity* of a habitat
- ❑ Recover *ecosystem function* of a habitat
- ❑ Recover *population number* of species



# Recovery in extent – Lyme Bay SAC





## Supporting ecosystem services

***“Recovery of marine biodiversity increases productivity fourfold...We conclude that marine biodiversity loss is increasingly impairing the ocean's capacity to provide food, maintain water quality, and recover from perturbations. Yet available data suggest that at this point, these trends are still reversible.”***

Worm *et al* (2006), 'Impacts of Biodiversity Loss on Ocean Ecosystem Services, Science, Vol 314



# Scotland's first No-Take Zone est. Oct 2008

## ISLE OF ARRAN



## THE SCOTSMAN SCOTLAND SUNDAY

Thursday 23rd April 2015   Sunny spells 6°C / 20°C

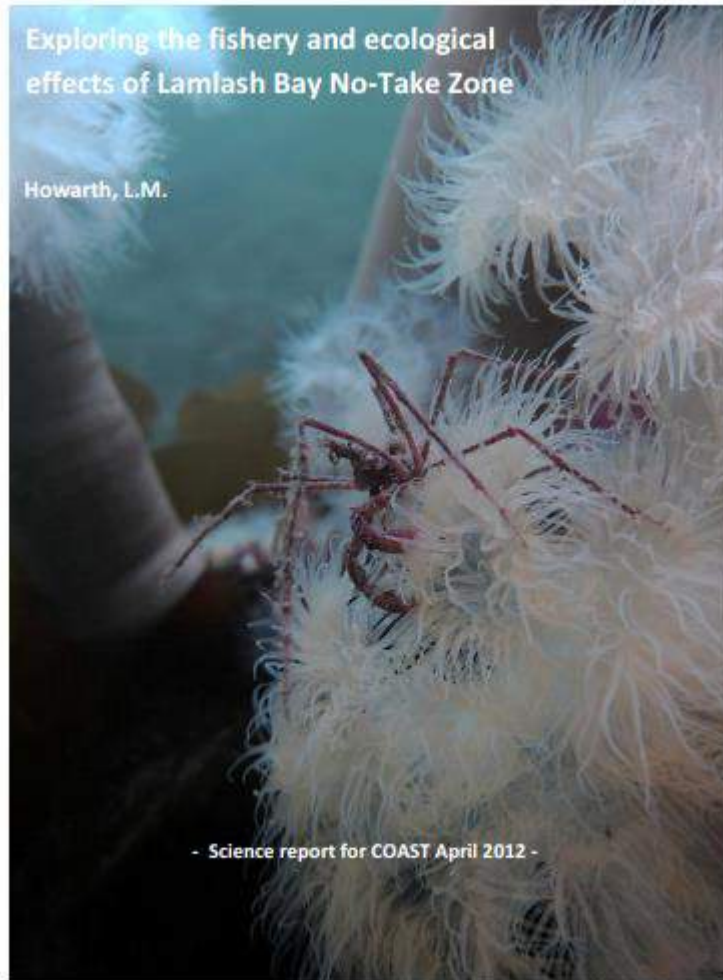
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## Scottish marine reserve boosts scallop population



Protecting Lamlash Bay has allowed scallops to thrive. Picture: Contributed





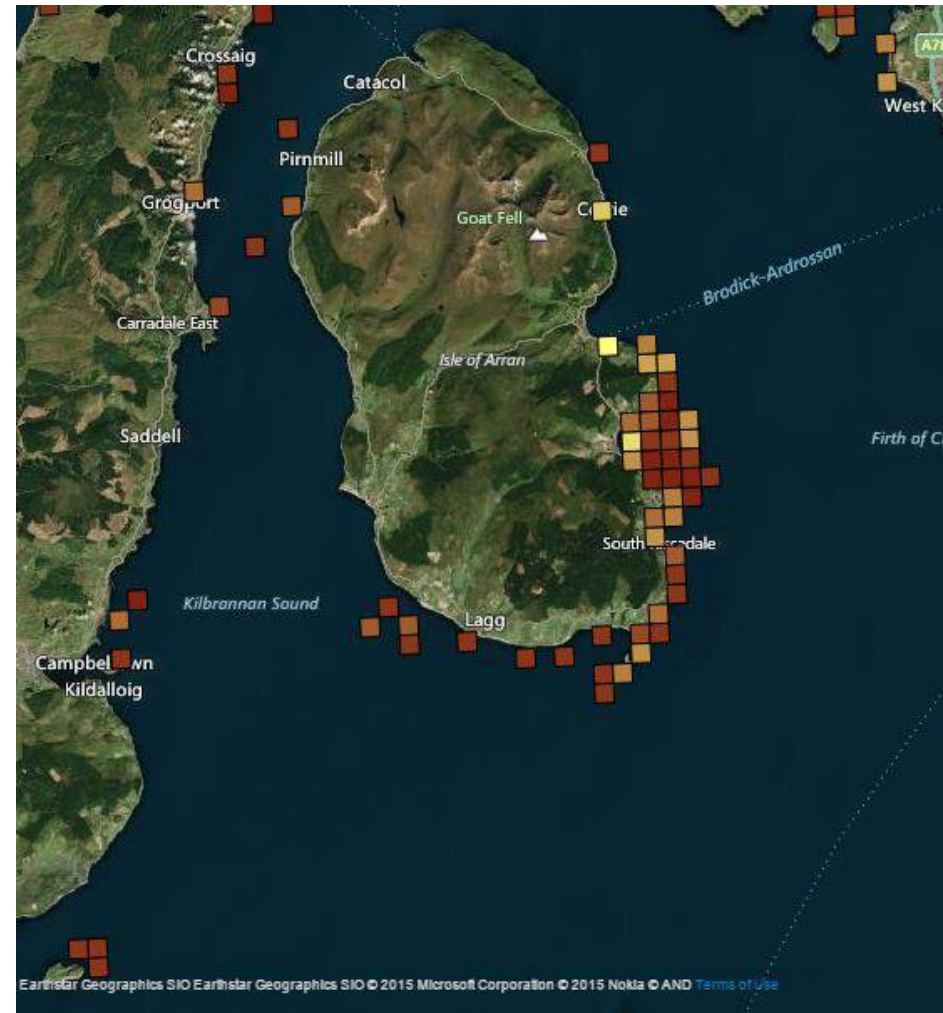
\*Picture taken by Leigh Michael Howarth within Lamlash Bay No-Take Zone of a spider crab (Pinnotheridae spp) inside a plumose anemone.

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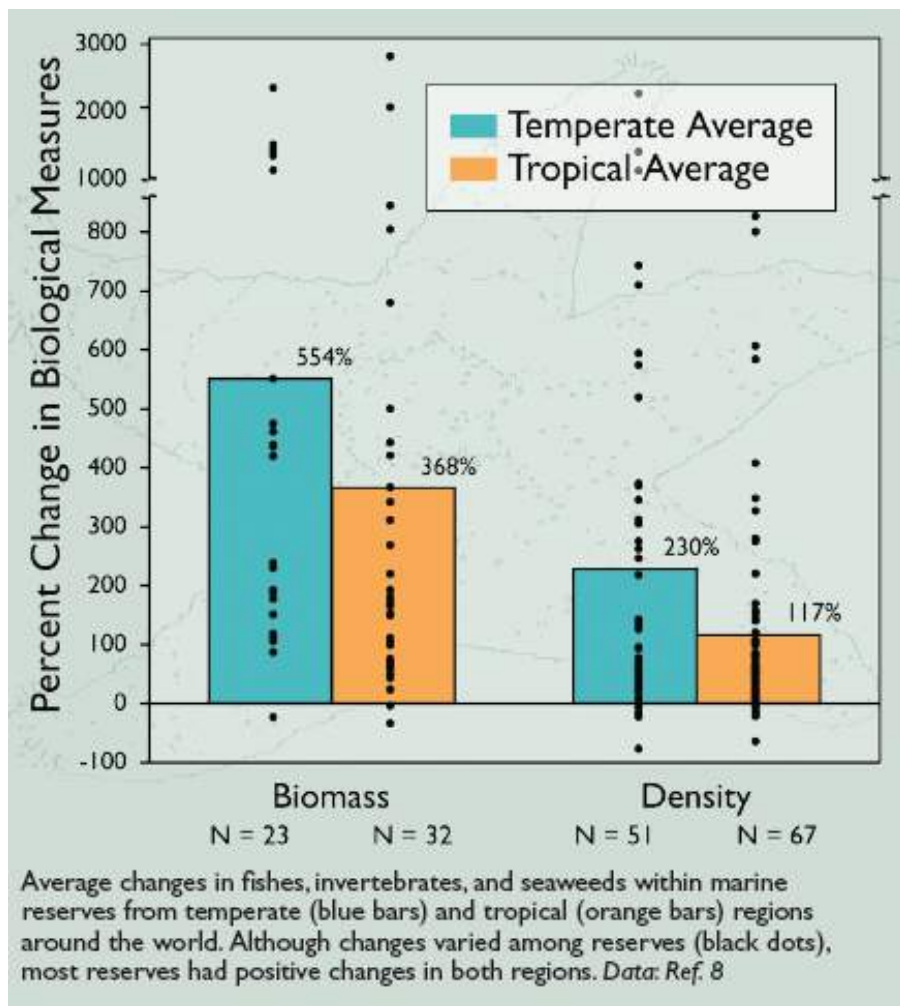


“...ecological communities within Lamlash Bay are ***more diverse and more abundant within the NTZ than outside***, and that scallop populations within the NTZ are made up of older, larger and a greater number of individuals.” Leigh Howarth

# 2003-2014 Seasearch diving



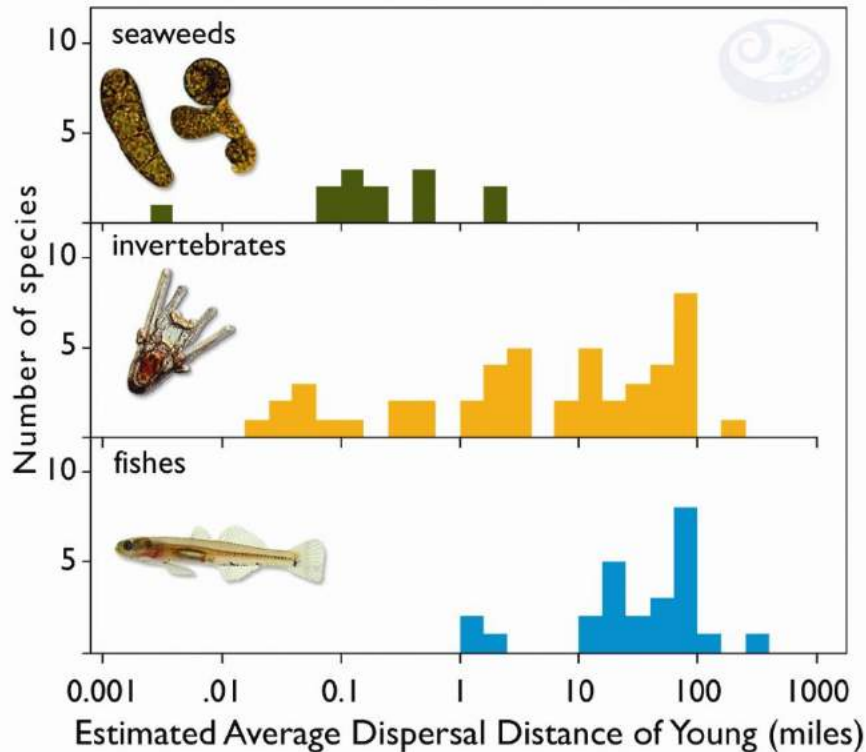
# Temperate hpMPAs are more productive



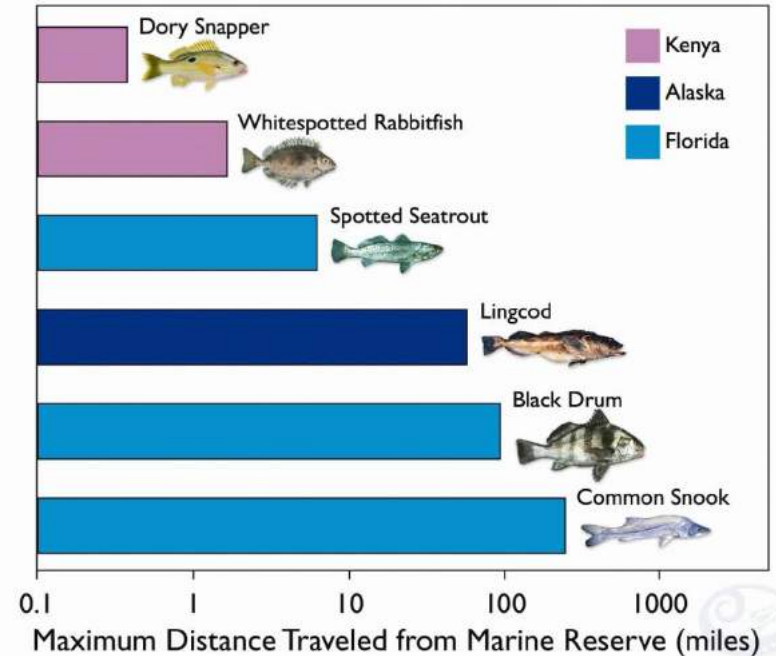
- Fishes, invertebrates, and seaweeds typically have grown 28% bigger and have become 166% more abundant inside marine reserves.
- On average, diversity has increased 21% and biomass has increased 446% inside marine reserves.
- Both temperate and tropical marine reserves have been effective.
- The bigger fishes and invertebrates in marine reserves can produce more young than smaller animals outside reserves.
- In existing marine reserves, many species increased, particularly those that were fished, and some species decreased, such as those that are prey to fished species.



# ...supporting spillover effects

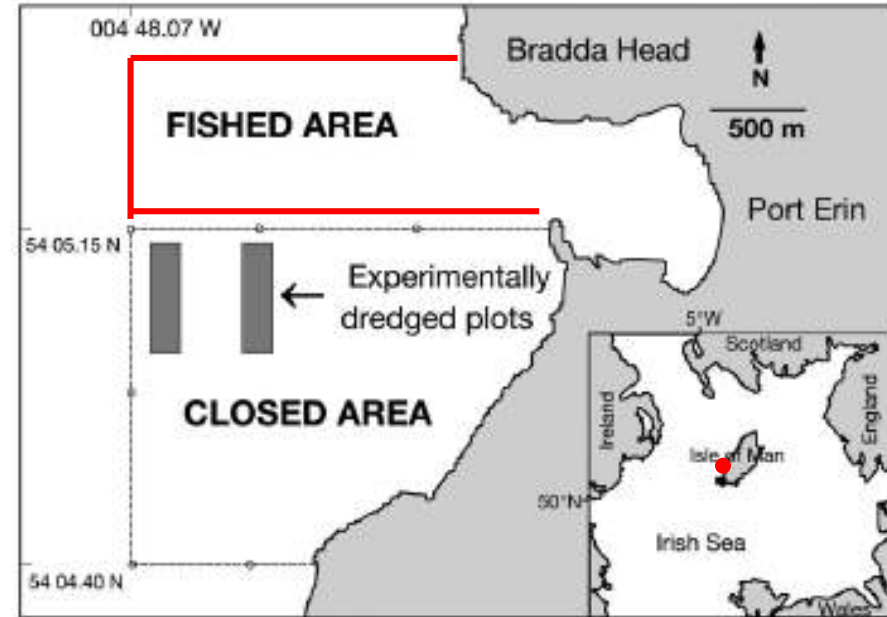
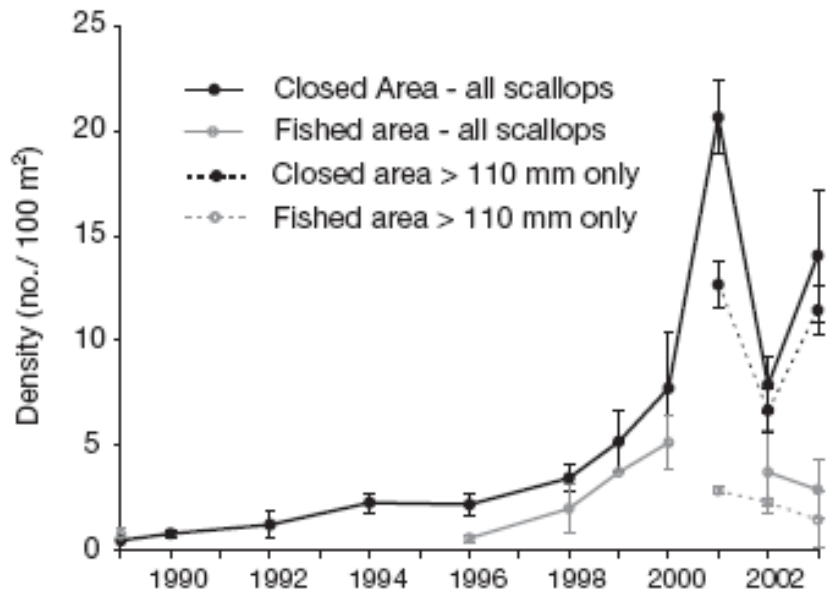


The estimated average distances traveled by young invertebrates (51 species), fishes (26 species), and seaweeds (13 species) prior to settling at their adult homes. Distances are based on genetic analysis of species around the world.  
Data: Kinlan & Gaines (2003) *Ecology*



This graph shows the maximum distances that tagged fishes traveled from marine reserves in Kenya (violet), Alaska (navy), and Florida (turquoise). These studies provide direct evidence that fishes spill over from marine reserves into surrounding waters. Data: Kaunda-Arara & Rose (2004) *Environmental Biology of Fishes*; Johnson et al (1999) *North American Journal of Fisheries Management*; Starr et al. (2006) *Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences*

# Isle of Man productivity increase



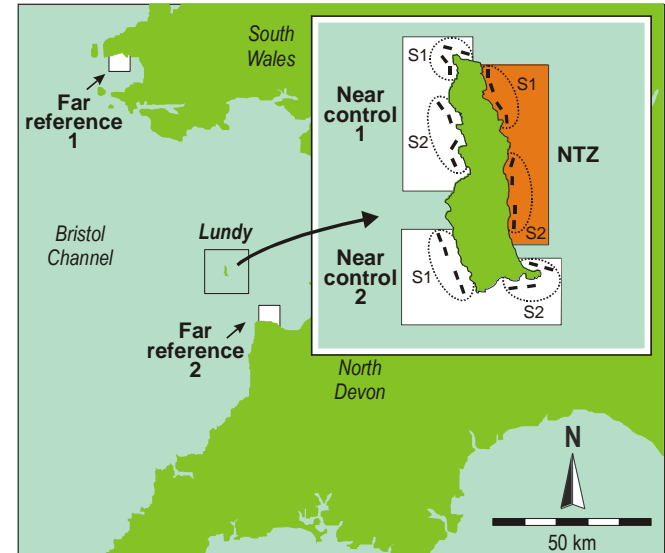
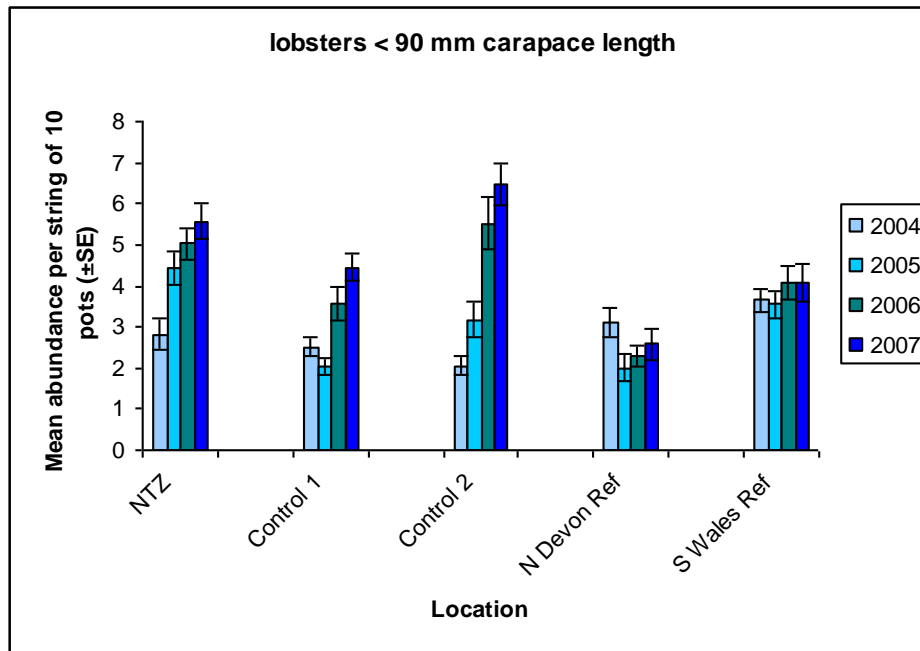
In eight years:  
2.5 to **22** scallops/100m<sup>2</sup>



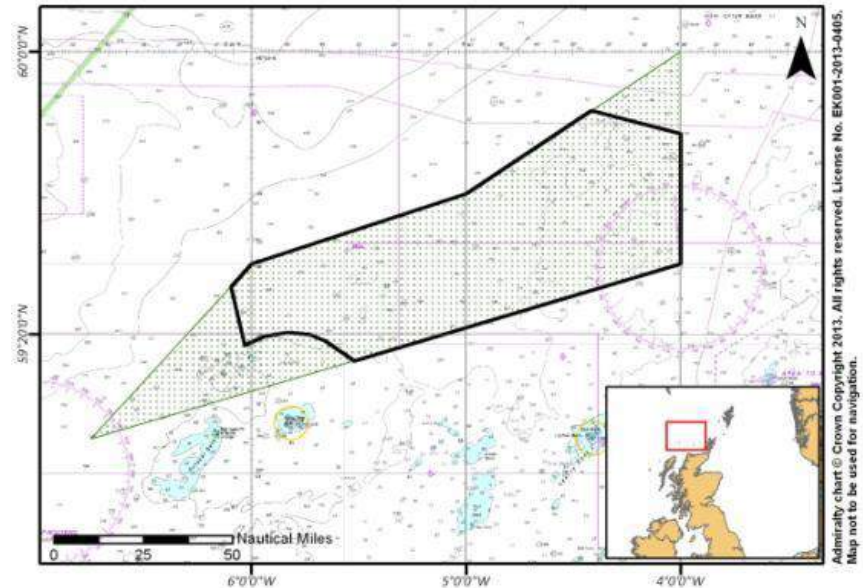


# Lundy Island No-Take Zone

- ❑ 6 x more lobsters inside NTZ
- ❑ Spillover of juveniles onto fishing grounds?



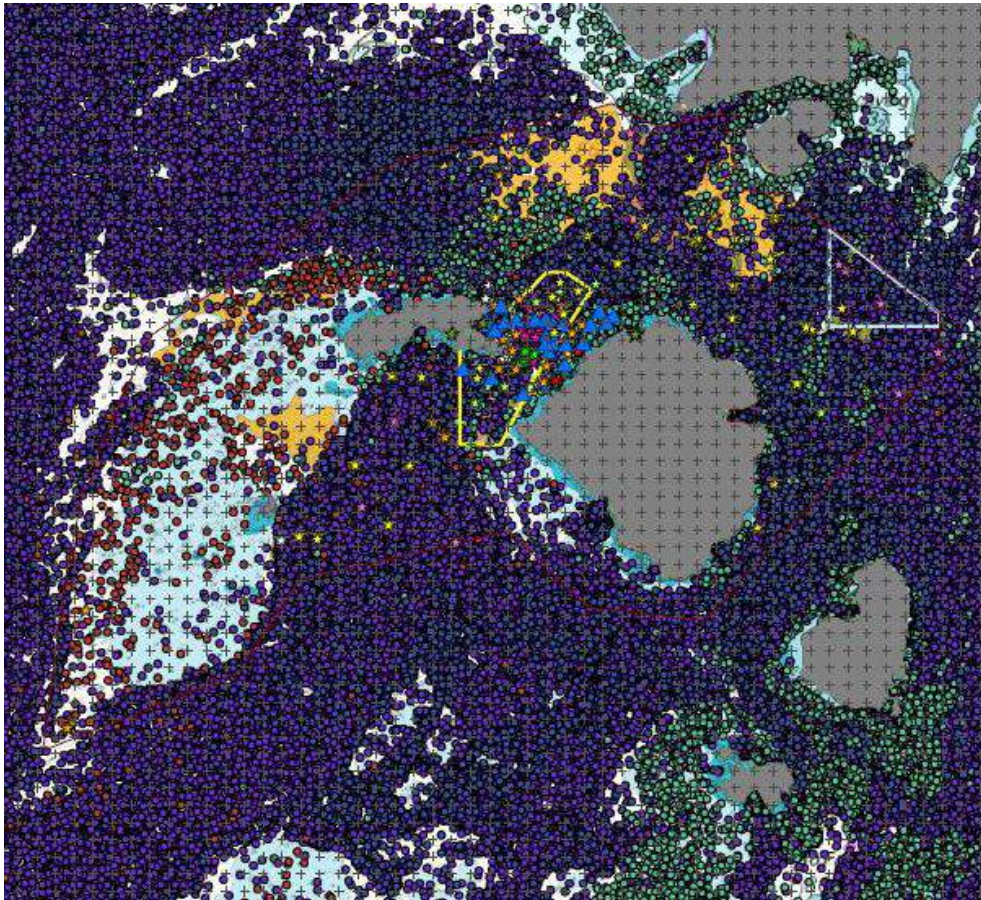
# Windsock Closure



- ❑ lesser spotted dogfish, as well as other elasmobranchs, **increased markedly**
- ❑ **beneficial effects on large fish** in the closed area (such as cod and large anglerfish)

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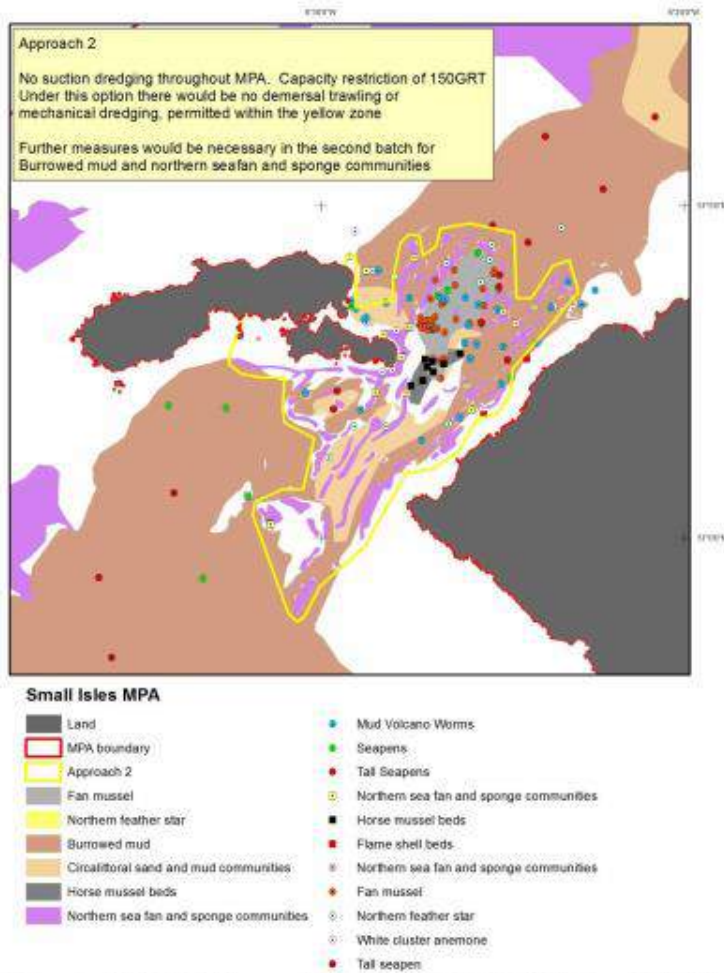
# Limited scope for recovery



- ❑ 11/30 ncMPAs = LDMN
- ❑ Only 4 recovery zones
- ❑ 8% of Small Isles
- ❑ <3% of inshore waters
- ❑ 'patch' management



# Small Isles MPA

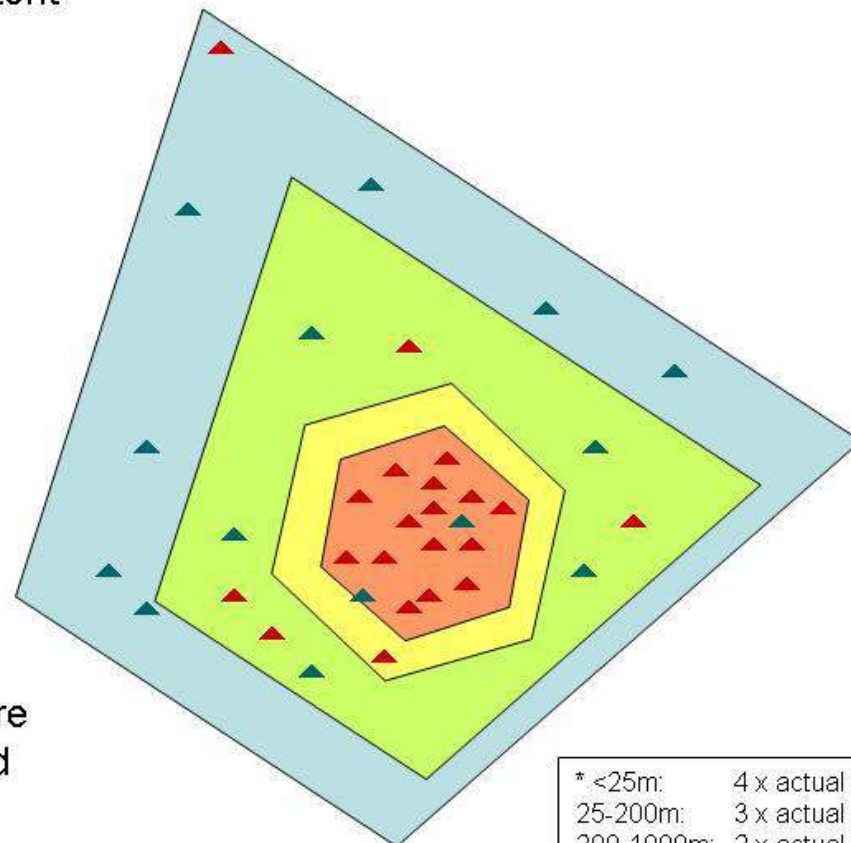
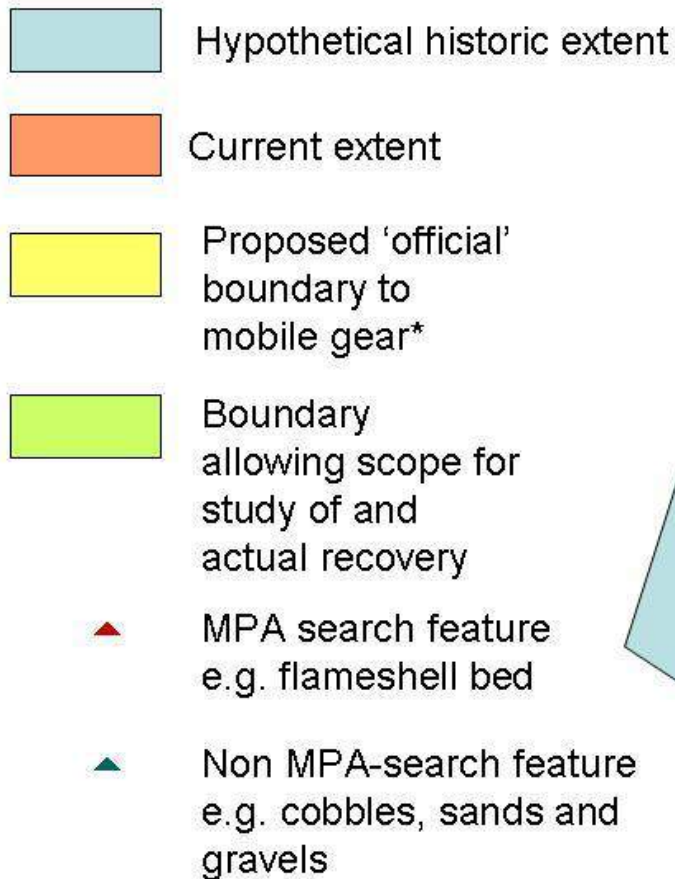


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Using Geodatabase of Marine Features Adjacent to Scotland (GEMS i12 - May 2014).  
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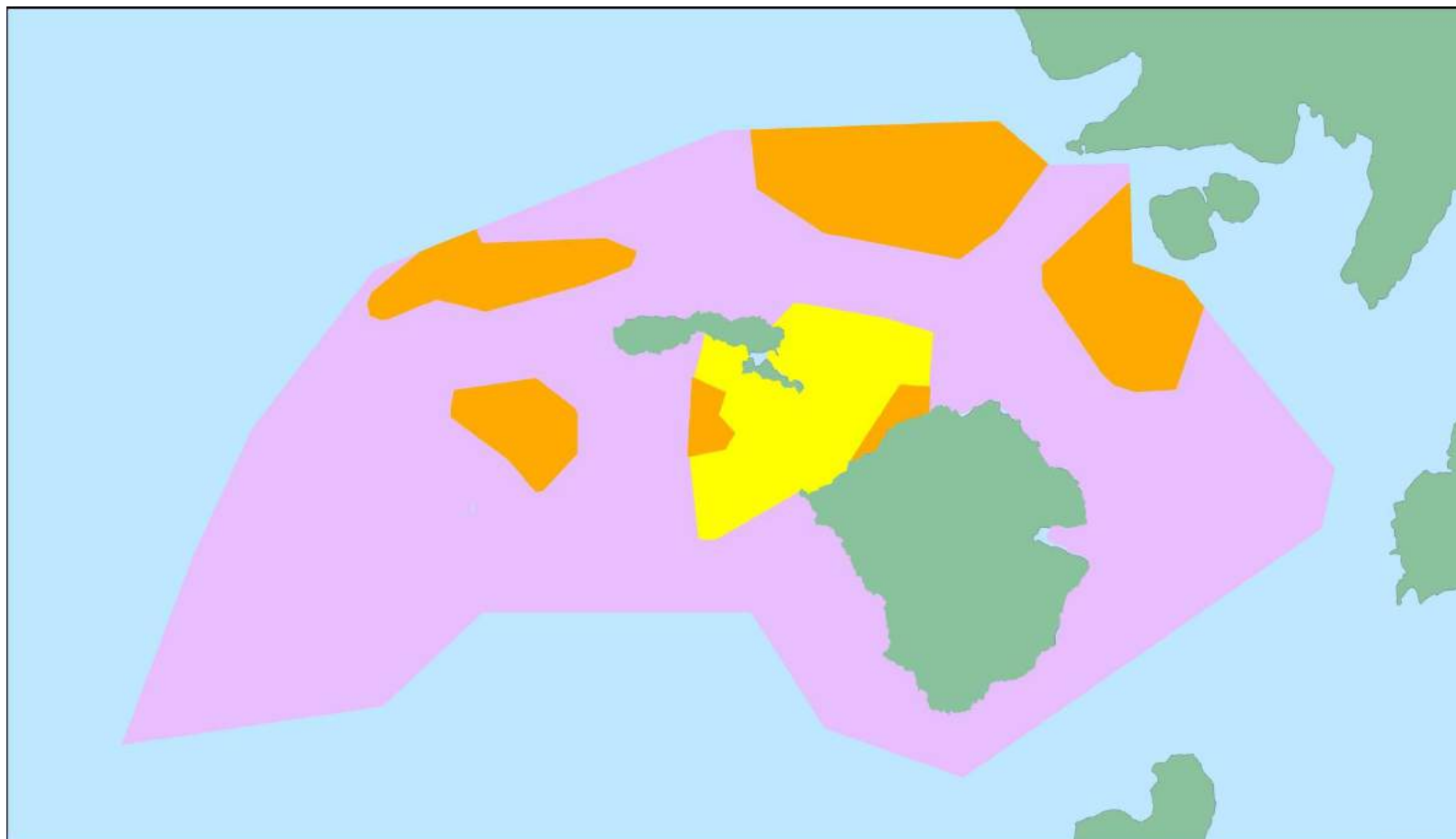
**Figure K4: Map of zonal measures in Sound of Canna proposed under approach 2**



## Simple MPA management schematic



* <25m:	4 x actual depth
25-200m:	3 x actual depth
200-1000m:	2 x actual depth



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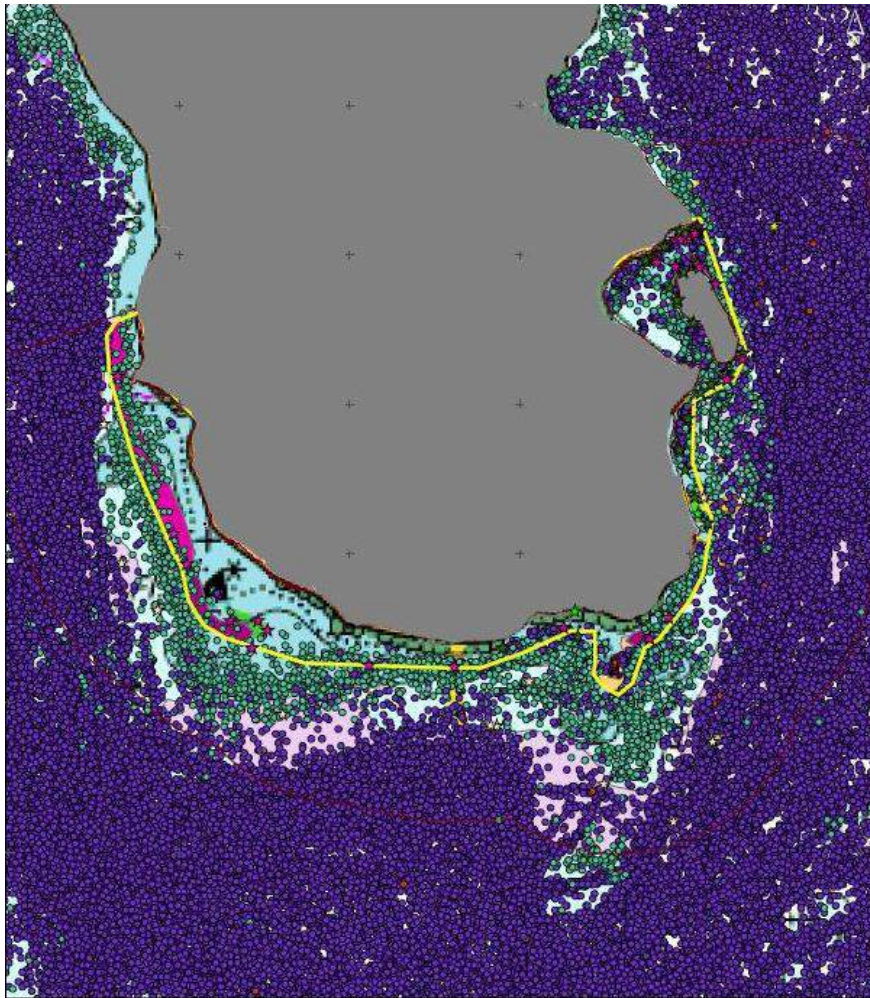
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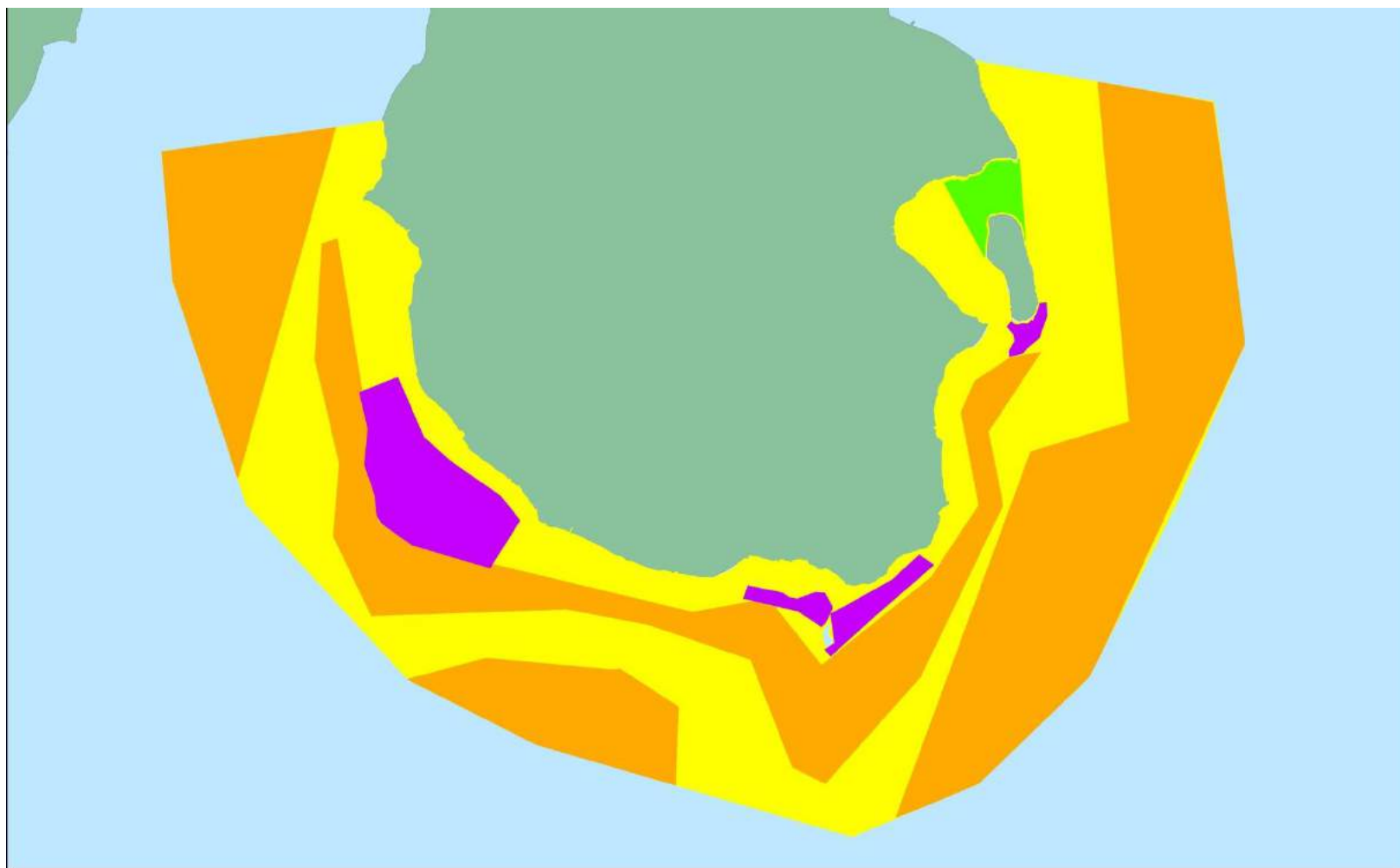




# South Arran MPA







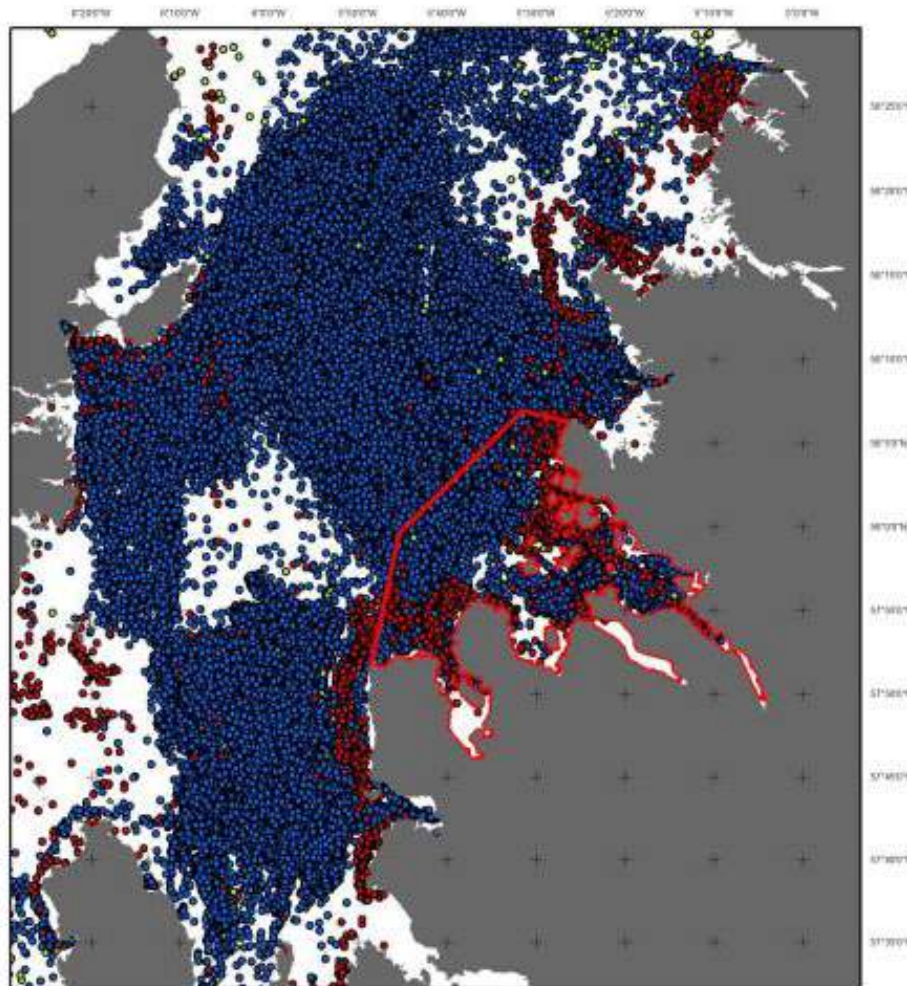
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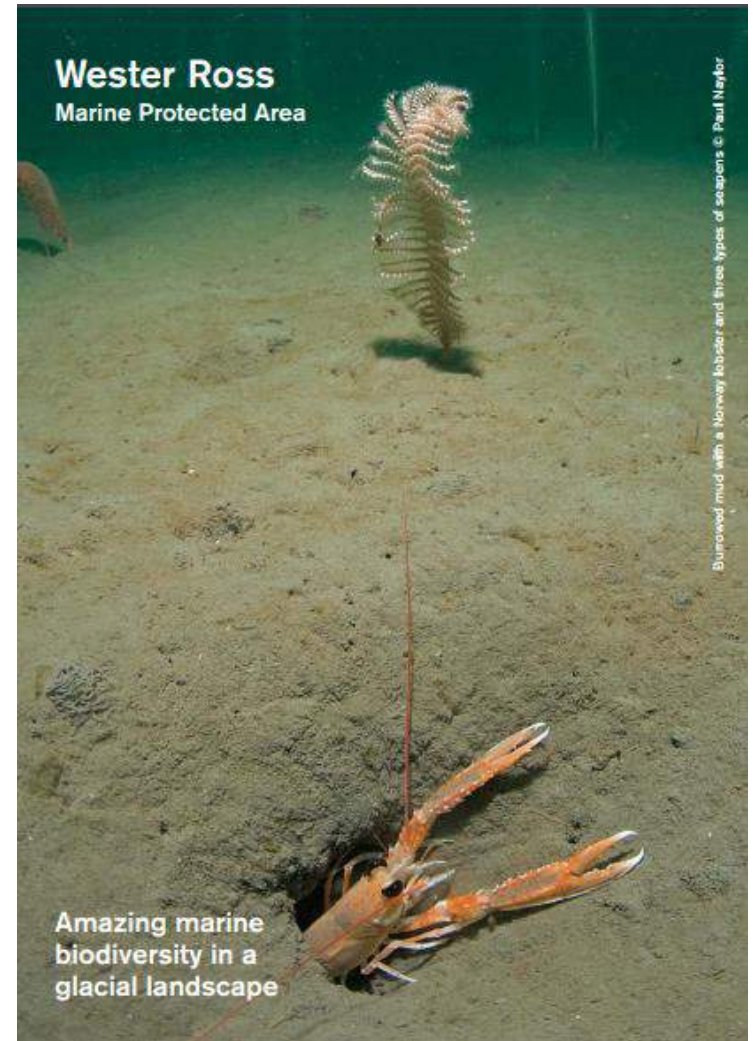


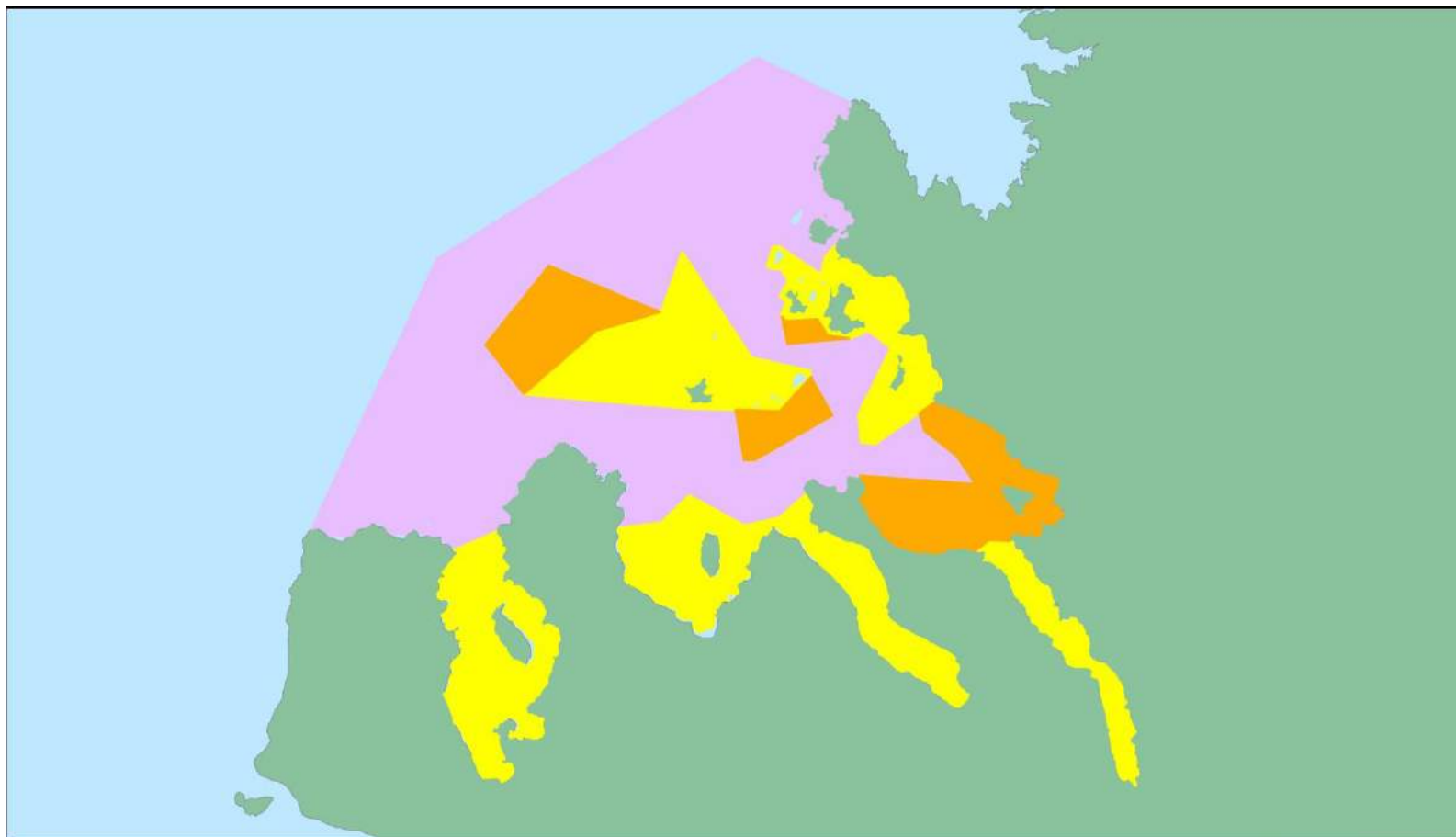
# Wester Ross MPA



Wester Ross pMPA  
Showing VMS data from 2007 to 2013

Land      ● Trawls  
MPA Boundary      ● Static





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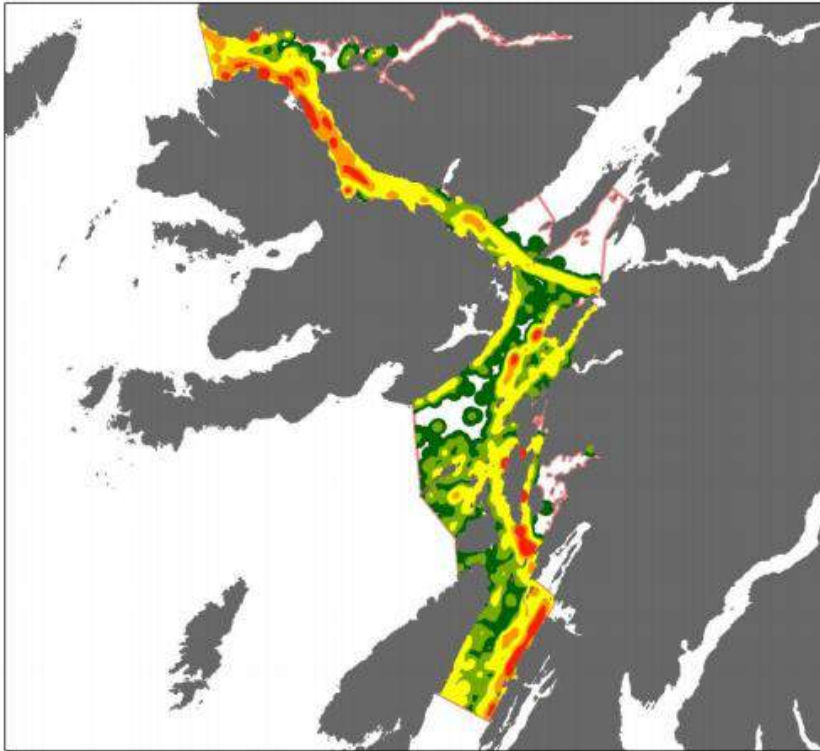
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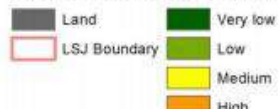




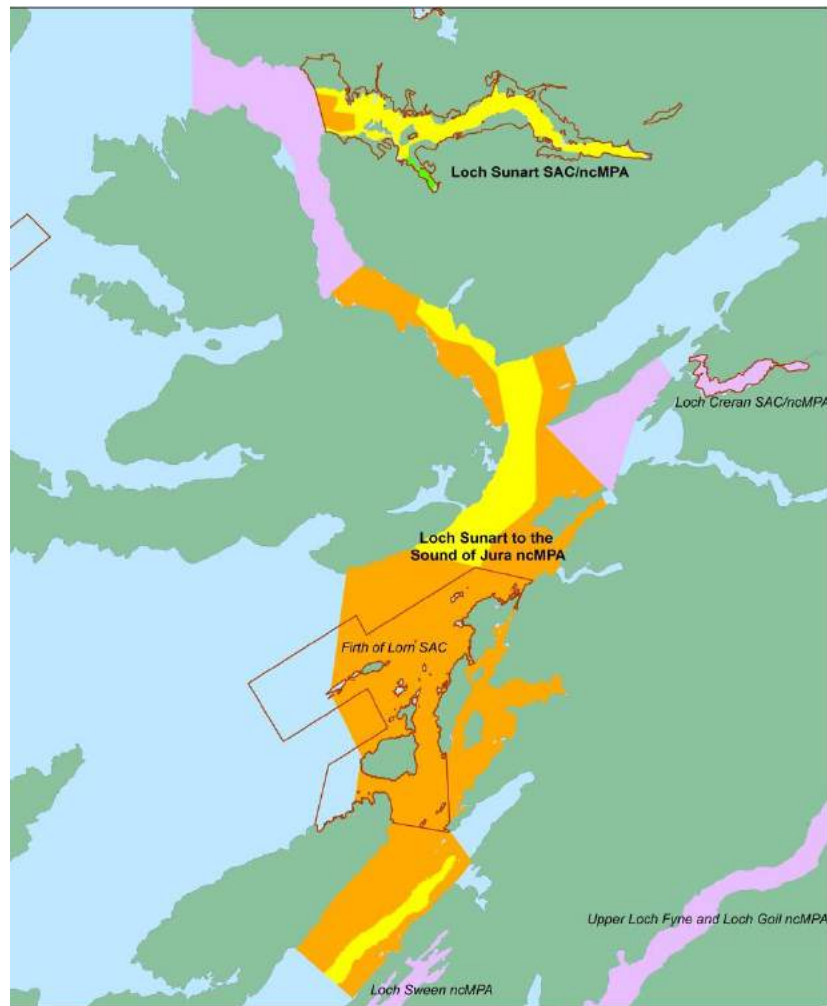
# Loch Sunart to Sound of Jura MPA



Loch Sunart to Sound of Jura MPA Incorporating Loch Sunart MPA  
and Loch Sunart SAC  
Showing scallop dredge VMS density (2007 - 13)














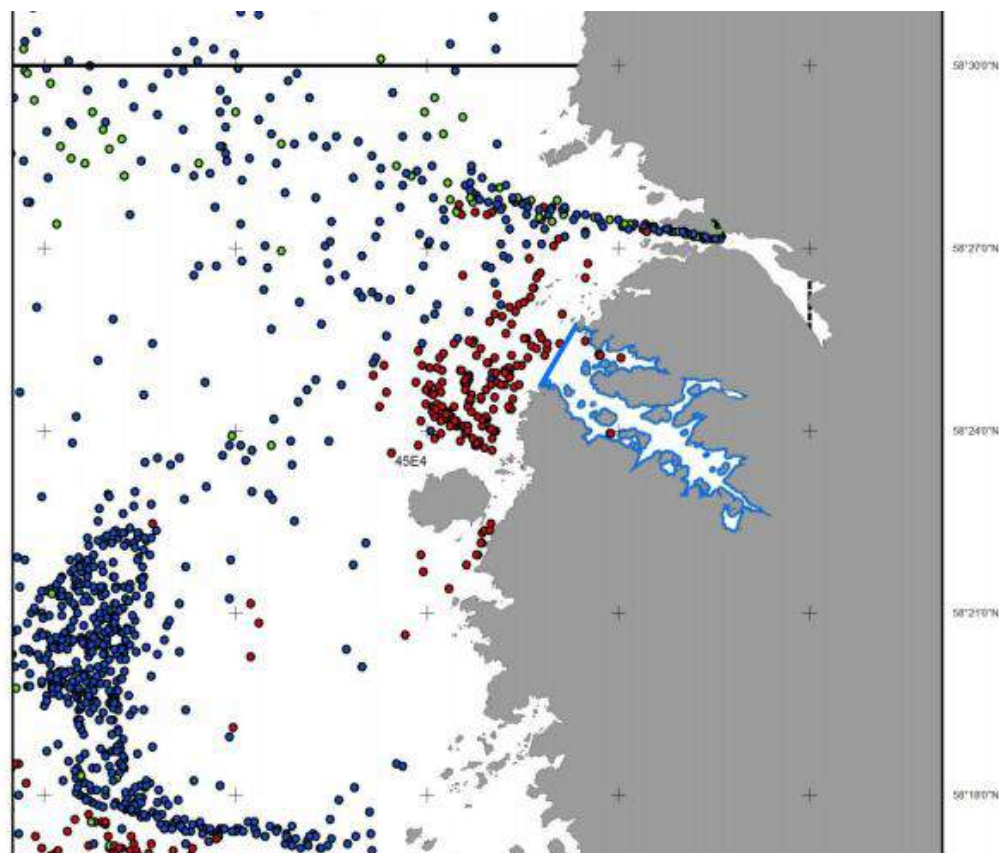
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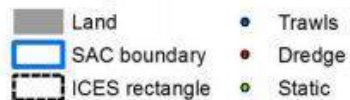
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|  No Take Zone |   |   |



# Less dense areas



Loch Laxford SAC  
Showing VMS data from 2010 to 2013



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#MPAwebmap

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### News

**Dedicated Arran conservationist wins global award... and backs real MPAs**



# An Ecosystem approach



**“the site’s overall conservation objectives will extend beyond an isolated consideration of the Annex I habitats and Annex II species (or relevant bird species) contained within the site and take account of the wider ecological context of the site as a whole in terms of its effects on the designated features”**

<http://www.clientearth.org/reports/natura-2000-site-integrity-briefing.pdf>

## 83 Duties of public authorities in relation to certain decisions

(1) This section applies where—

- (a) a public authority has the function of determining an application (whenever made) for authorisation of the doing of any act, and
- (b) the act is capable of affecting (other than insignificantly)—
  - (i) a protected feature in a Nature Conservation MPA,
  - (ii) a stated purpose for a Demonstration and Research MPA,
  - (iii) a marine historic asset in a Historic MPA,
  - (iv) any ecological or geomorphological process on which the conservation of any protected feature in a Nature Conservation MPA, or on which the stated purpose for a Demonstration and Research MPA, is (wholly or in part) dependent.





## Sea Change Wester Ross Community

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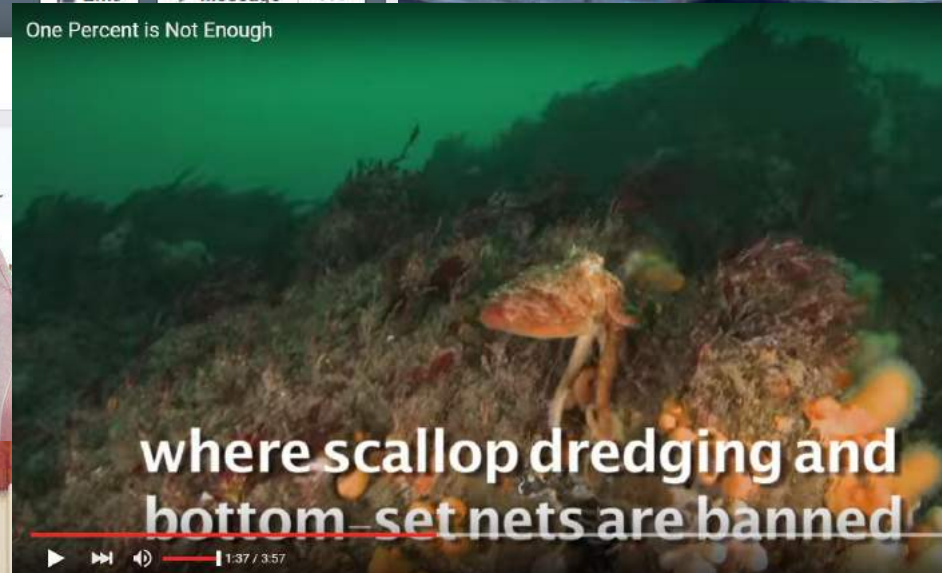
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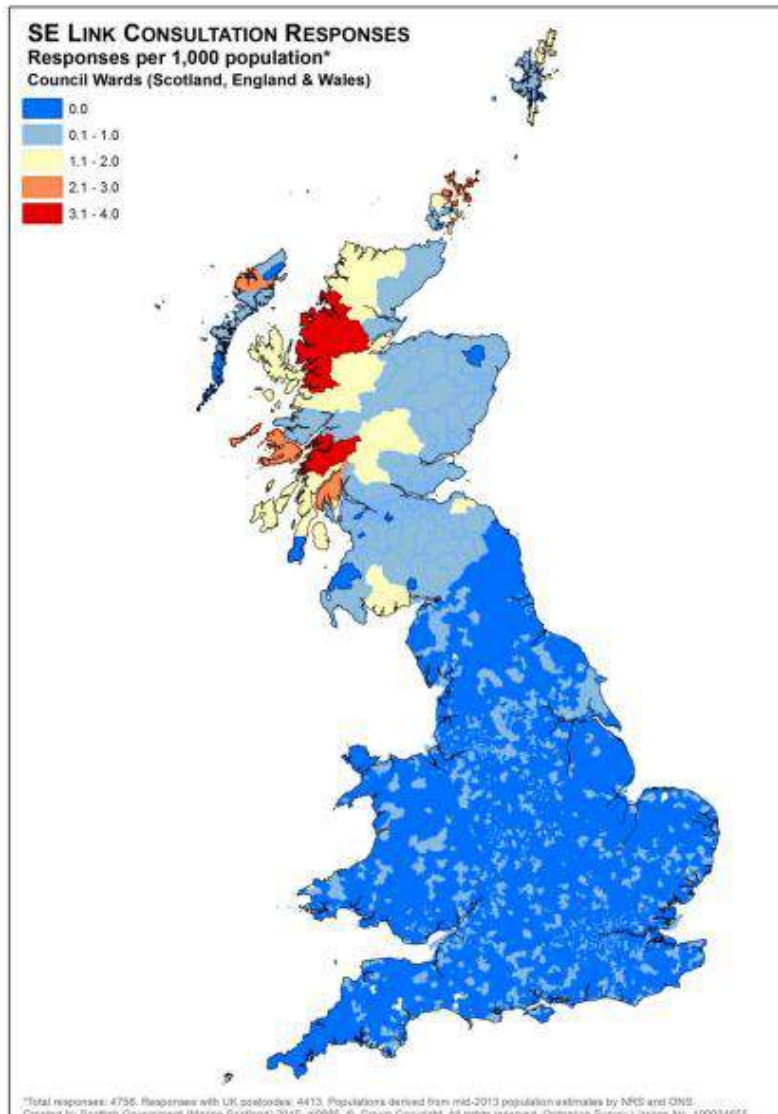


where scallop dredging and  
bottom-set nets are banned

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Figure A3.1 – Distribution of responses



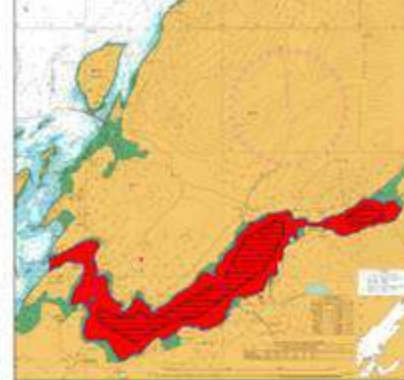
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- 4,611 individuals
- 43 on behalf of groups

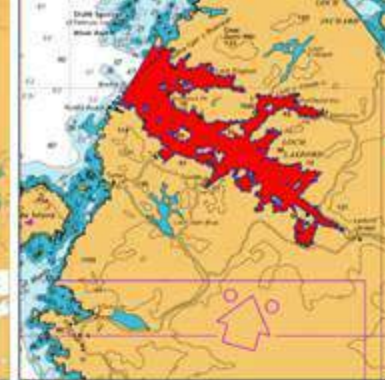




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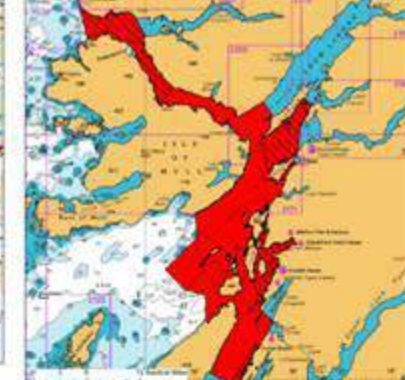
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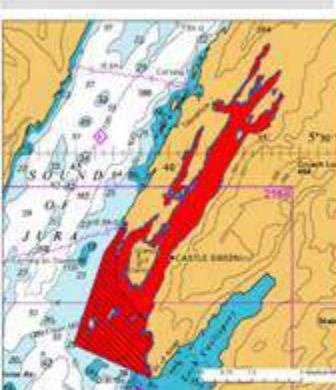
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Loch Sunart MPA/SAC



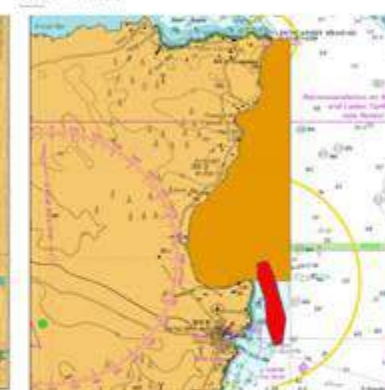
Loch Rannart in Sound of Jura MPA



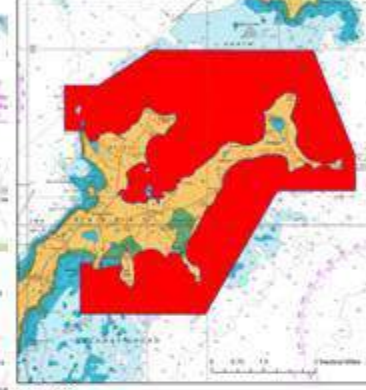
Lochs Duich, Loma & Aish MPA/SAC



Loch Laxford SAC



Sanday SAC



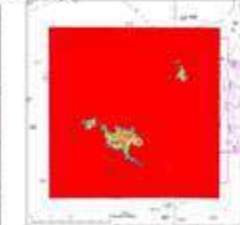
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Small Isles MPA



South Arran MPA



Knap SAC



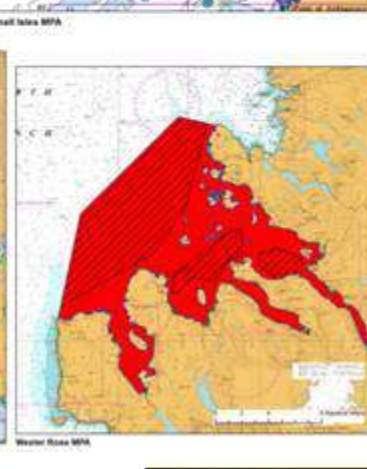
Knap SAC




Wyre and Rousay Sounds MPA



Upper Loch Fyne & Loch Gort MPA




Wester Ross MPA

 No dredging or trawling

 Mobile derogations\*

 Creeling derogations\*

 No dredge, trawl or creel

\*Rough guide: maps vary a little



# Inshore MPA / SAC management – Phase 1 proposed measures

## Proportion of sites where activities are to be prohibited

Site	Site Area	protected from beam trawling and suction dredging	% protected from beam trawling and suction dredging	Protected from mechanical dredging	% Protected from mechanical dredging	Protected from demersal trawling	% Protected from demersal trawling	Protected from set nets	% Protected from set nets	Protected from long lines	% Protected from long lines	Protected from creels	% Protected from creels	Protected from hand gathering	% Protected from hand gathering
East Mingulay SAC	114.89	114.89	100	114.89	100	114.89	100	57.72	50	57.72	50	57.72	50	0	0
Loch Creran MPA / SAC	12.26	12.26	100	12.26	100	12.26	100	12.26	100	12.26	100	7.77	63	0	0
Loch Laxford SAC	12.21	12.21	100	12.21	100	12.21	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Loch Sunart MPA / SAC	48.8	48.8	100	48.8	100	48.8	100	48.8	100	48.8	100	1	2	0	0
Loch Sunart to Sound of Jura MPA[1]	770.18	770.18	100	549	71	549	71	770.18	100	770.18	100	0	0	0	0
Loch Sween MPA	40.65	40.65	100	24.13	59	24.13	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	24.13	59
Lochs Duich Long and Alsh MPA / SAC	40.93	40.93	100	40.93	100	40.93	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Noss Head MPA	7.54	7.54	100	7.54	100	7.54	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sanday SAC	109.8	109.8	100	109.8	100	109.8	100	109.8	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
Small Isles MPA	803.25	803.25	100	456.74	57	456.74	57	803.25	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Arran MPA	279.87	279.87	100	279.87	100	177.72	64	7.35	3	7.35	3	7.35	3	2.66	1
St Kilda SAC	245.35	245.35	100	245.35	100	245.35	100	245.35	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
Treshnish Isles SAC	18.55	18.55	100	18.55	100	18.55	100	18.55	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
Upper Loch Fyne and Loch Goil MPA	87.65	87.65	100	87.65	100	43.1	49	7.11	8	7.11	8	7.11	8	0	0
Wester Ross MPA	599.19	599.19	100	599.19	100	360.41	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wyre and Rousay Sounds MPA	16.2	16.2	100	16.2	100	16.2	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3207.32</b>	<b>3207.32</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2623.11</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>2237.63</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2080.37</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>903.42</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>80.95</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26.79</b>	<b>1</b>
% of Scottish Territorial Waters	3.5	3.5		2.9		2.5		2.3		1		0.1		0.03	
% of Scottish EEZ	0.7	0.7		0.6		0.5		0.5		0.2		0.02		0.01	
% of Scottish WFD area	6.6	6.6		5.4		4.6		4.3		1.9		0.17		0.05	

All areas are in square kilometres

All % are rounder to the nearest whole number

[1] Includes the Firth of Lorn SAC but excludes the Loch Sunart MPA / SAC.

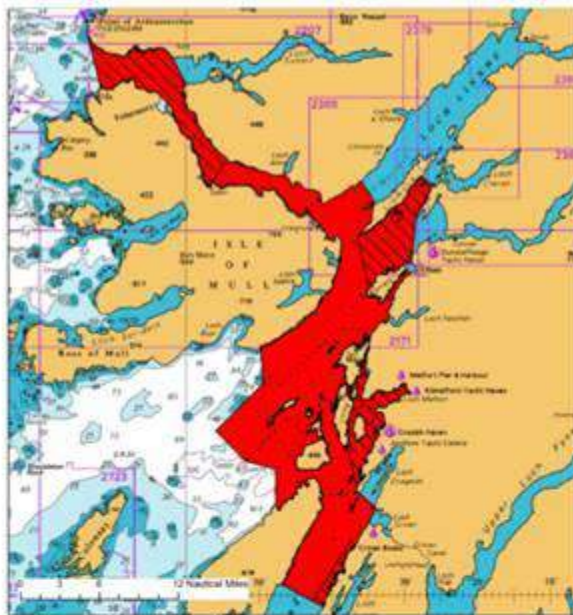
Estimated area of Territorial waters 90,404

Estimated area of Scottish EEZ 462,263

Estimated area of WFD waters 48,710

Scottish Territorial Waters - This is measured from shore to 12nm beyond baselines





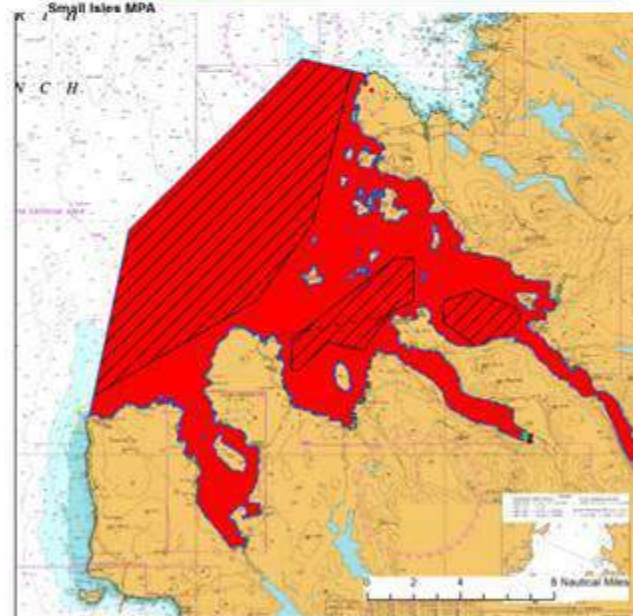
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Small Isles MPA



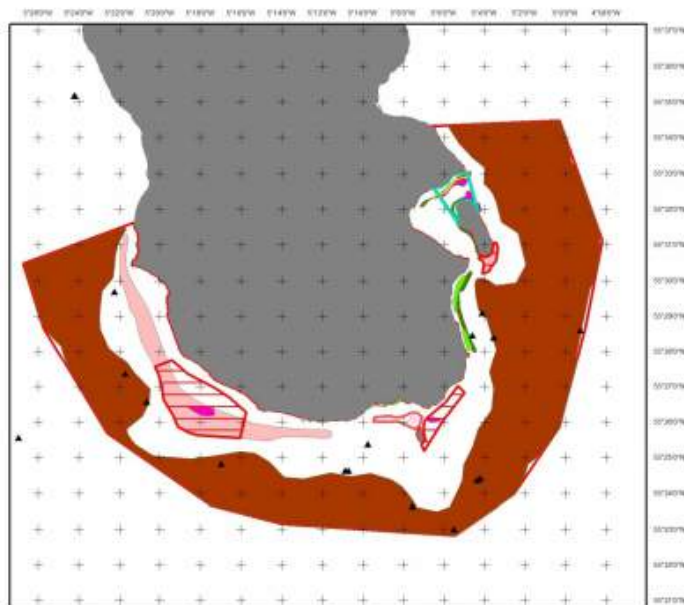
South Arran MPA



Wester Ross MPA

No dredging or trawling
  LSSoJ/SI – some trawl/dredge  
 SA/WR – some trawling
  No dredge, trawl or creel

# An Ecosystem approach



South Arran MPA

- Land
- MPA Boundary
- Lamlash Bay NTZ
- CR 749 Maerl recovery areas
- maerl recovery area Sept 2014 survey
- maerl bed Sept 2014 survey
- Ocean quahog
- Burrowed mud
- Kelp and seaweed communities on sublittoral sediment
- Maerl beds
- Maerl or coarse shell gravel with burrowing sea cucumbers
- Seagrass beds
- Tide-swept coarse sands with burrowing bivalves

These measures would apply under all scenarios.

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Using Geodatabase of Marine Features  
Adjacent to Scotland (GEMS i12 - May 2014).  
Projection: Mercator Datum: WGS 1984  
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The Lamlash bay NTZ would remain unchanged.  
All forms of suction dredging and would be prohibited  
throughout the MPA.

The 3 maerl recovery areas (identified in SNH CR749)  
and the additional area identified in the September 2014  
survey would prohibit all bottom contacting activities.

Table A17.5 – Priority Marine Feature Added Value Assessment<sup>46</sup> - Protected from suction dredge, mechanical dredge, and beam trawls

Other PMFs	Feature Records		Records Included	% Included
Burrowed mud or Inshore deep mud with burrowing heart urchins	Count	4	4	100%
Fan mussel	Count	1	1	100%
Kelp beds	Count	8	8	100%
Native oysters	Count	1	1	100%

Table A17.6 – Priority Marine Feature Added Value Assessment<sup>46</sup> - Protected from demersal trawls

Other PMFs	Feature Records		Records Included	% Included
Burrowed mud or Inshore deep mud with burrowing heart urchins	Count	4	1	100%
Fan mussel	Count	1	1	100%
Kelp beds	Count	8	8	100%
Native oysters	Count	1	1	100%

Table A17.7 – Other Marine Habitat Added Value Assessment<sup>46</sup> - Protected from suction dredge, mechanical dredge, and beam trawls

Other Habitats	Feature Records		Records Included	% Included
Rocky reef communities	Count	31	31	100%
Sandbank communities	Count	54	54	100%
Infralittoral mixed sediment communities	Count	16	16	100%
Circalittoral sandy mud communities	Count	39	39	100%
Infralittoral fine mud communities	Count	1	1	100%
Infralittoral sandy mud communities	Count	1	1	100%
Circalittoral mixed sediment communities	Count	66	66	100%
Infralittoral mixed sediment communities	Count	16	16	100%

<sup>46</sup> Using Geodatabase for Marine Habitats and Soedies in Scotland (GEMS i15)



# Valuing the benefits: MPAs and wellbeing

**£6.3-£10 billion/20 yrs**



## Divers/anglers

25 Scottish pMPAs ~£67–117m/yr

One-off non-use value £125–255m



# Valuing the benefits of MPAs

*Table 3: Costs and Benefits of MPAs in Scotland*

<b>Costs</b>	<b>Lower £m</b>	<b>Upper £m</b>
Commercial Fishing (Mobiles)	£1.78	£49.62
Energy	£0.11	£2.84
Oil and Gas	£1.20	£33.83
Other	£0.80	£1.80
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>£3.89</b>	<b>£88.09</b>
<b>Benefits</b>		
Commercial Fishing (Statics)	Not Estimated	
Sea Angling	Not Estimated	
Other Direct and Indirect Users (Sub-Aqua, Water Sports, Wildlife Watching)	Not Estimated	
Non User	£239	£583
<b>Total Benefits</b>	<b>&gt;£239</b>	<b>&gt;£583</b>

[http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/S4\\_RuralAffairsClimateChangeandEnvironmentCommittee/20151023\\_Scot\\_Env\\_LINK\\_letter\\_on\\_MPAs.pdf](http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/S4_RuralAffairsClimateChangeandEnvironmentCommittee/20151023_Scot_Env_LINK_letter_on_MPAs.pdf)

## Why we supported June announcement

- ☐ **Holistic** ecosystem approach
- ☐ **Simple** management boundaries
- ☐ Proportionate **precaution**
- ☐ Already some **compromises** (e.g. Upper Loch Fyne, South Arran, Loch Sween)

# 11<sup>th</sup> June 2015



“The impact in the vast majority of cases will mean modest changes to fishing patterns with very limited economic impact given the ability of vessels to fish elsewhere.

**The people of Scotland want our precious marine environment safeguarded** and I welcome the views of everyone who responded to the consultation.”

**Richard Lochhead, Environment Secretary**



BUSINESS

# Fishing f

5 July 2015 by Keith

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Fishing chief Bert

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## Concern c areas

By David Miller  
BBC Scotland environm

6 August 2015 | Scotla



The Marine Protected A

Fishermen's leaders

# Fishing l Areas co

Written by Liam Kirka

Claims that MPAs w  
majority of industry



Claims that Marine F

## Dredging banned in Wester Ross Marine Protected Area

18 August 2015 | Highlands & Islands



A sea cucumber on a maerl bed

All forms of dredging has been banned in an area of seabed off the west Highlands coast.




The Scottish government introduced an urgent marine conservation order to cover the Wester Ross Marine Protected Area (WMPA) in the Highlands.

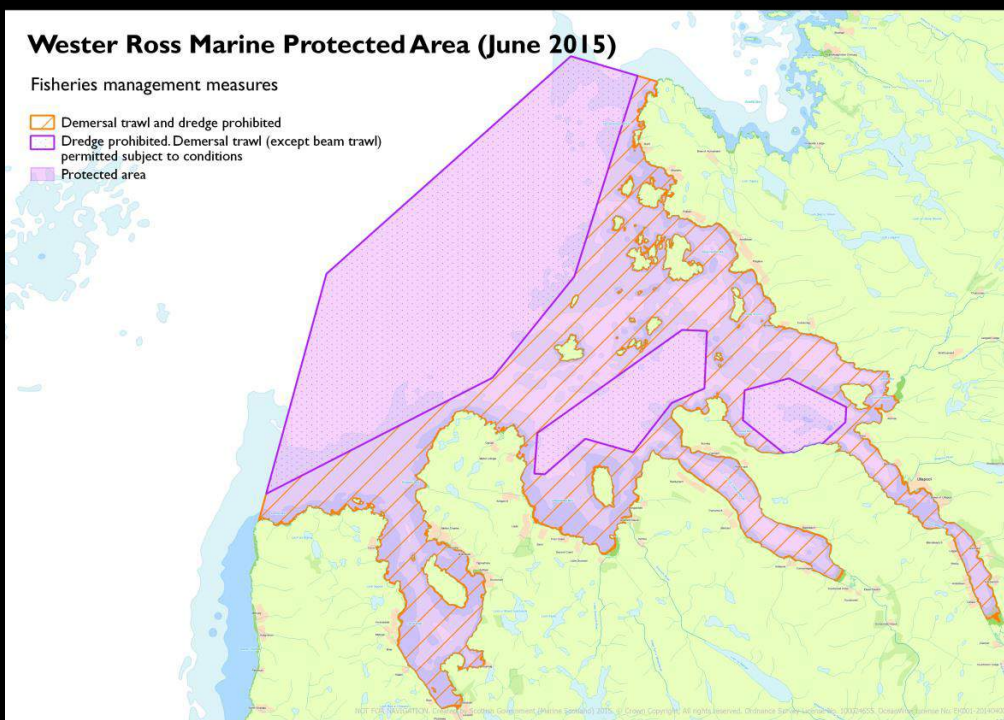
- ❑ Scotland's seas in context
- ❑ What MPAs are for
- ❑ Why we supported June 2015 proposals
- ❑ **Remaining concerns post Dec 2015**
- ❑ Thoughts and next Steps



## Wester Ross Marine Protected Area (June 2015)




Fisheries management measures

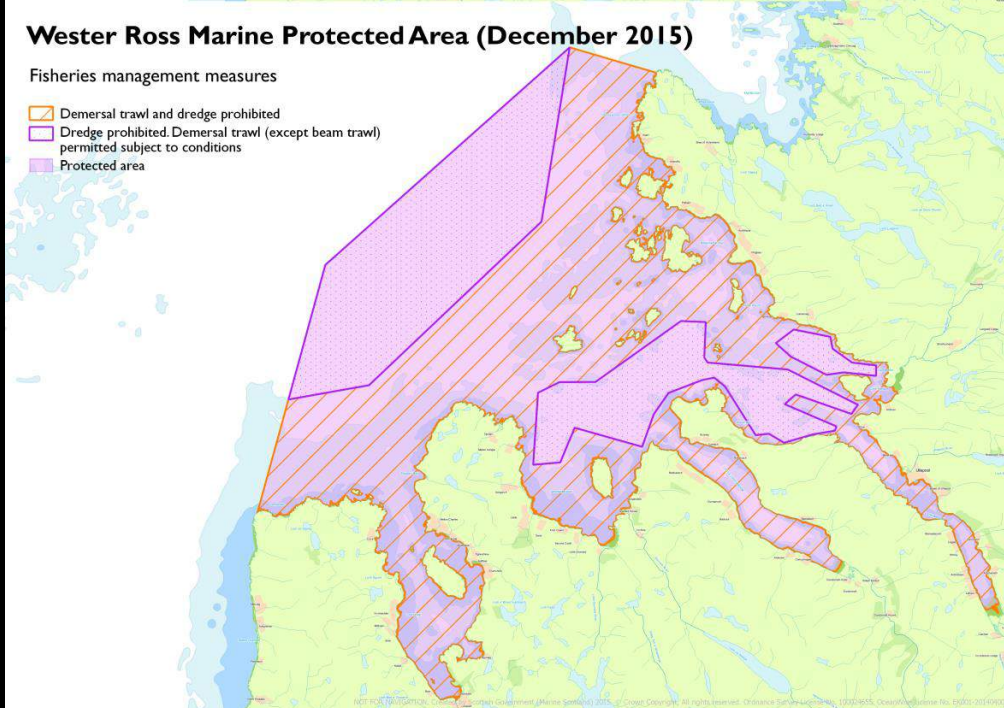
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-  Dredge prohibited. Demersal trawl (except beam trawl) permitted subject to conditions
-  Protected area



## Wester Ross Marine Protected Area (December 2015)

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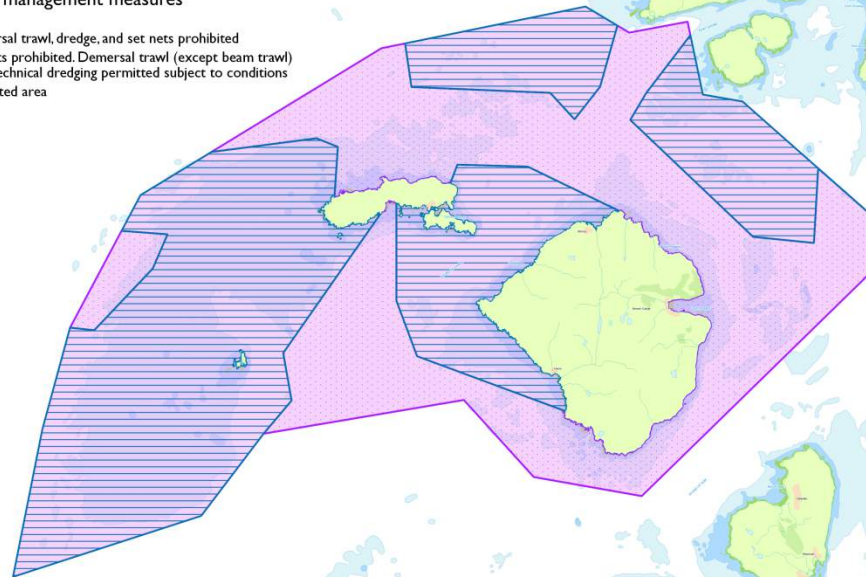




## Small Isles Marine Protected Area (June 2015)

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- Demersal trawl, dredge, and set nets prohibited
- Set nets prohibited. Demersal trawl (except beam trawl) and mechanical dredging permitted subject to conditions
- Protected area

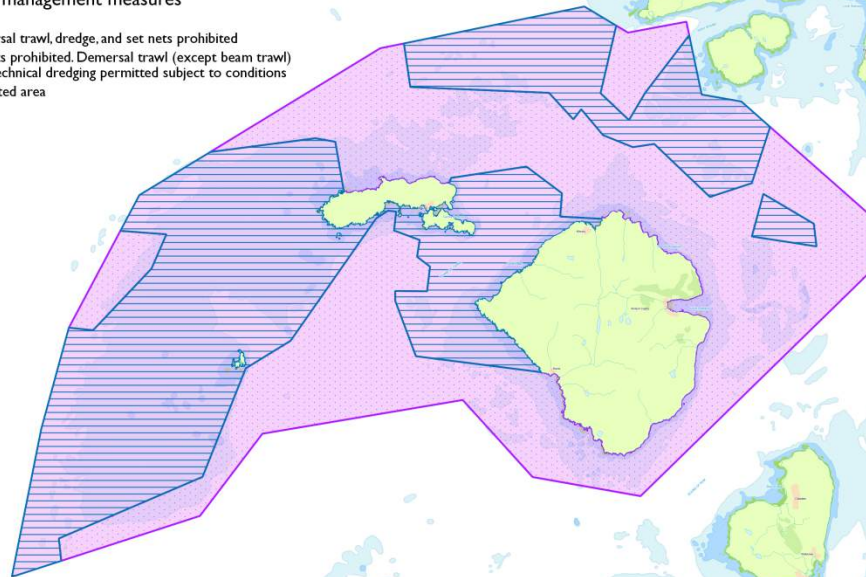


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## Small Isles Marine Protected Area (December 2015)

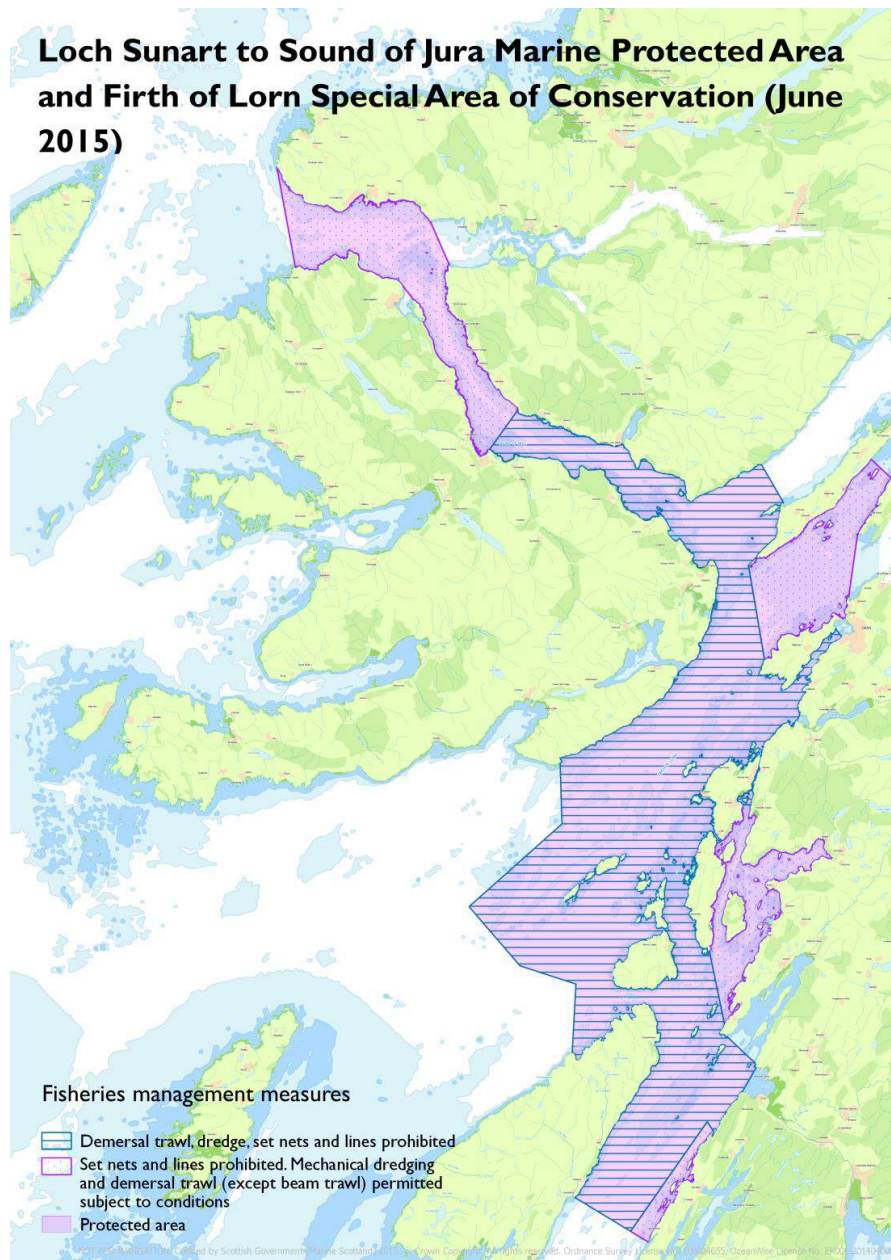
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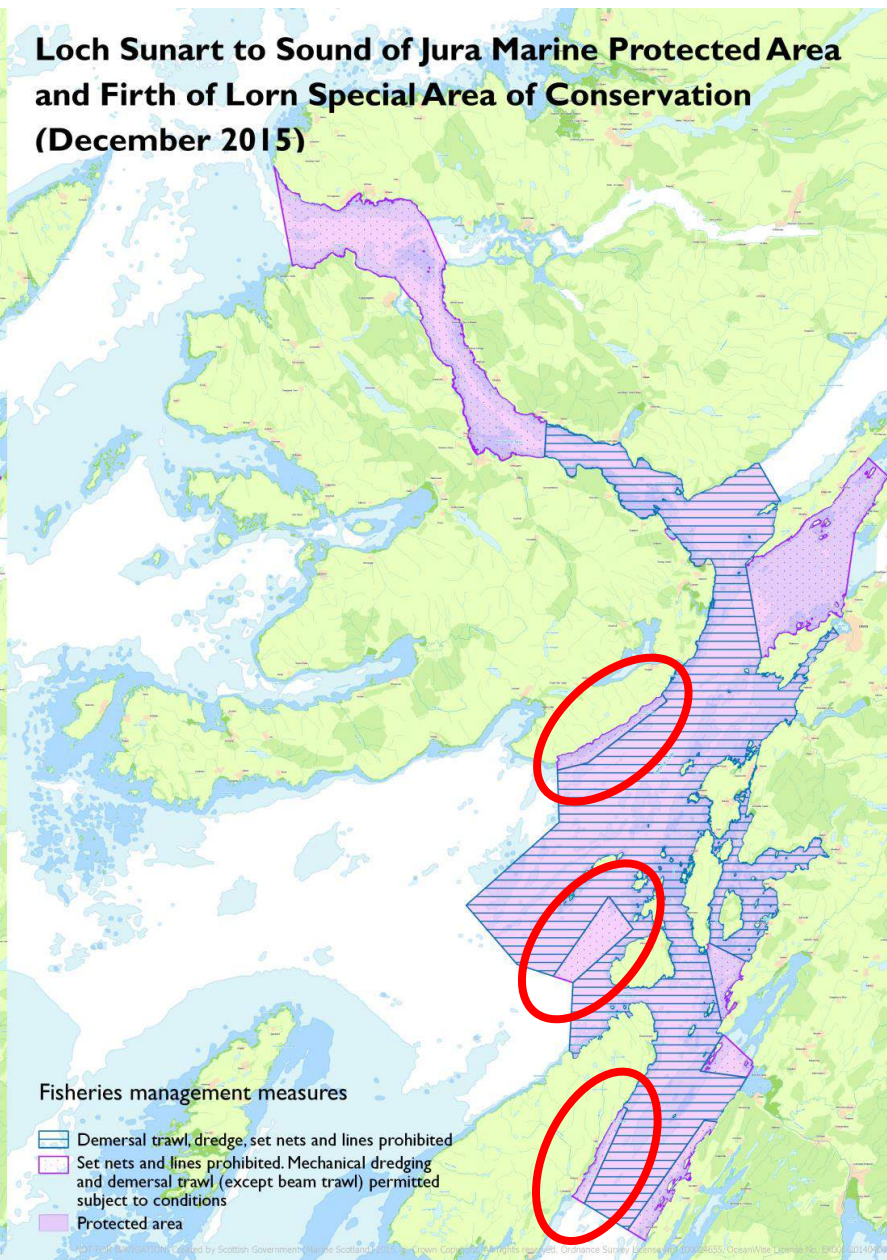




# Loch Sunart to Sound of Jura Marine Protected Area and Firth of Lorn Special Area of Conservation (June 2015)



# Loch Sunart to Sound of Jura Marine Protected Area and Firth of Lorn Special Area of Conservation (December 2015)

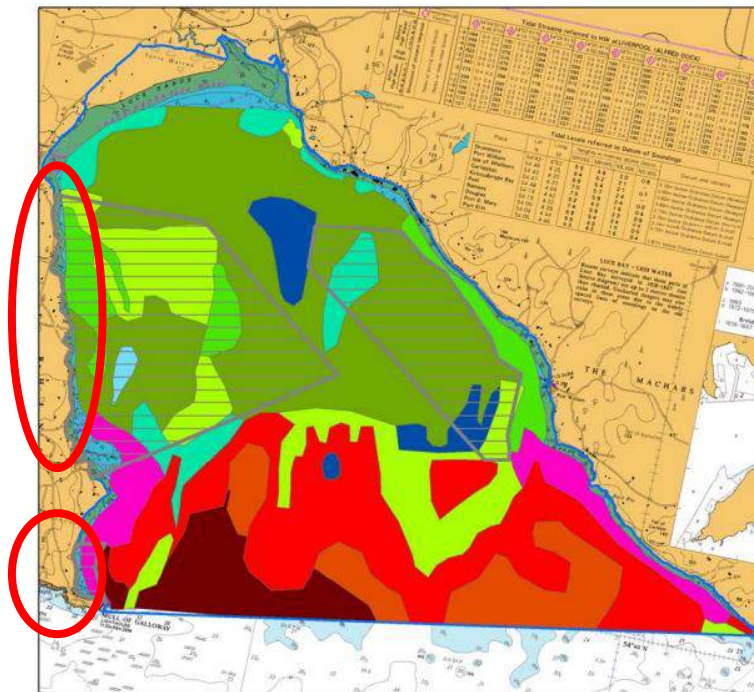


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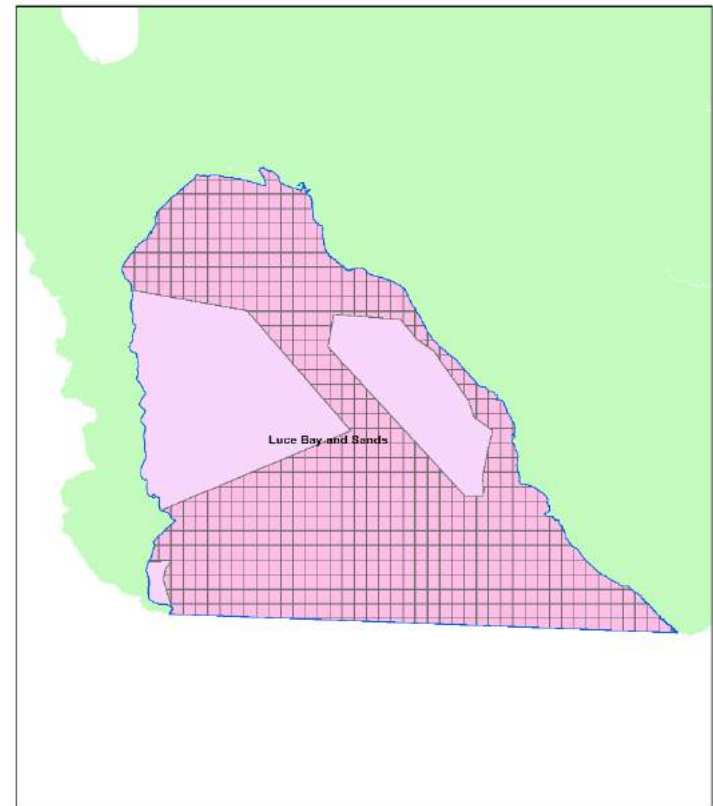
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## Appendix E



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*Moerella* spp. with venerid bivalves in infralittoral gravelly sand  
*Laminaria saccharina* and red seaweeds on infralittoral sediments  
 Reef?



## Next steps

- ☐ **Environment Committee** consider annulments
- ☐ Spatial management for **Inshore no.2** and **Offshore MPAs**
- ☐ MPA community **co-management** (e.g. Sound of Barra & South Arran)
- ☐ Indirect and Non-Use **Benefits** of MPAs
- ☐ Spatial management of fisheries outside MPAs
  - **Priority Marine Feature** Protection
  - Gear conflict
  - value creation (cf. Shetland)
- ☐ Contribution to **MSFD**?
- ☐ **'Sea Scotland'** 15-16 June 2016, Dundee











# Healthy seas benefit all



Life support  
Intrinsic value

Environmental  
services

Employment  
Revenue



***...Planet Earth is blue and there's  
[something we must] do...***

