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1 Background and Introduction

1.1 Survey Project Team

The Rock Unique survey was carried out during 7th – 9th March 2012 on the RV *CEFAS Endeavour* cruise CEND 04/12. The survey team for the duration of the fieldwork included Cefas marine ecologists, marine surveyors, marine modellers and GIS specialists along with MPA specialists from the JNCC (see below).

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1.2 Site Description

The Rock Unique rMCZ is located in the North Sea approximately 60 km off the Northumberland Coast (Figure 1).

(For a detailed site description see Final recommendations for Marine Conservation Net Gain 2011)



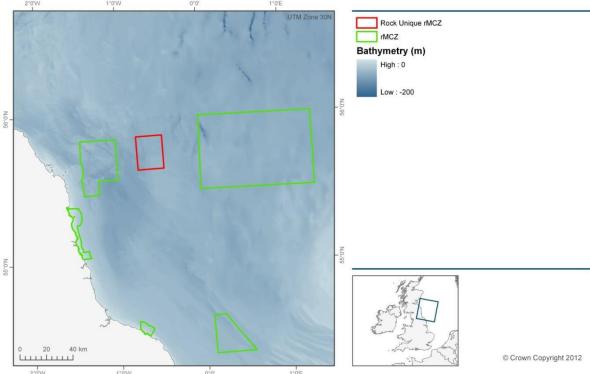


Figure 1. Location of Rock Unique rMCZ [Bathymetry is from the Defra Digital Elevation Model (Astrium 2011)].

1.3 Geological and Biological Context

A number of broadscale habitat features and habitat Features of Conservation Interest (FOCI) have been proposed by the regional project as part of the recommendations for designation of the Rock Unique rMCZ (Table 1).

Table 1. Features proposed for designation within the Rock Unique rMCZ.

Feature Type	Feature Name		
Broad Scale Habitat	A4.3 Low energy circalittoral rock		
(BSH)	A5.1 Subtidal coarse sediment A5.2 Subtidal		
	sand		
Features of Conservation Interest (FOCI)			
Habitats	Subtidal sands and gravels* (modelled)		
Species	N/A		
Geomorphological Feature	N/A		

^{*}Subtidal sands and gravels are considered to be adequately protected by its component habitat features subtidal sand and/or subtidal coarse sediment and is no longer included within MCZ designations.

No additional habitat or species FOCI have been identified but not included in the recommendations for designation of Rock Unique rMCZ.

1.4 Existing data and information utilised to inform survey planning

Recently collected and interpreted acoustic data (provided by the UKHO) were utilised in the planning of this survey.

2 Survey Design and Methods

2.1 Survey planning and design

Selection and positioning of groundtruthing stations was informed by the interpreted habitat map derived from UKHO acoustic data. Sampling stations were positioned within the sedimentary habitats using a triangular lattice grid overlaid on the predictive habitat map. Stations within the predicted coarse sediments (A5.1) were at a grid spacing of 2.5 km. Stations within the more extensive, predicted sand sediment (A5.2) were placed at a spacing of 4 km. A number of additional groundtruthing stations were manually positioned using the interpreted habitat map to target certain features within the rMCZ.

Groundtruthing Station Locations

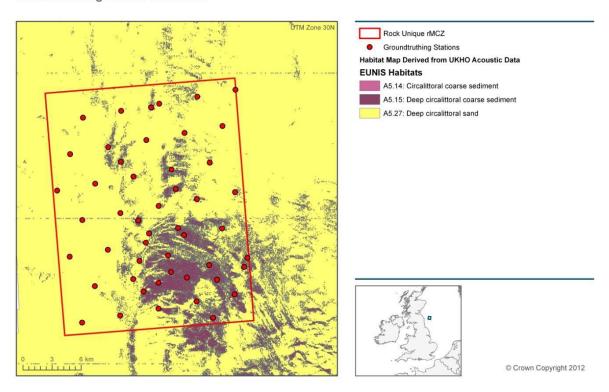


Figure 2. Groundtruthing station positions overlaid on habitat map derived using UKHO acoustic data.

Within the predicted sedimentary habitats, the selection of stations where the camera sledge would be used in addition to the grab was informed by the sediment type present in the grab sample (i.e., where the grab sample confirmed the presence of a given broadscale habitat the camera was deployed to allow characterisation of the surface sediment types and epifaunal communities). The number of camera deployments per broadscale habitat varied depending on the uniformity of the habitat and its spatial extent.

'Intelligent' station codes were constructed, each with 3 elements; RU indicating the Rock Unique site followed by a letter indicating the predicted substrate type for that location according to the SAR (C for coarse sediment, S for sand), then a sequential number (e.g. RU_C_5, RU_S_5).

2.2 Sample collection and processing methods

2.2.1 Sedimentary Broad Scale Habitats

Sedimentary habitats were groundtruthed by grab and underwater camera. The grab system comprised a 0.1 m² mini Hamon grab fitted with a video camera (Figure 3), the combined gear being known as a HamCam. This allowed an image of the undisturbed seabed surface to be obtained for each grab sample. On recovery, the grab was emptied into a large plastic bin and a representative sub-sample of sediment (approx. 0.5 litres) taken for Particle Size Analysis (PSA). The sample was stored in a labelled plastic container and frozen ready for transfer to a laboratory ashore.

The remaining sample was photographed and the volume of sediment measured and recorded. Benthic fauna were collected by washing the sample with sea-water over a 1 mm sieve. The retained >1 mm fraction was transferred to a labelled container and preserved in 4% buffered formaldehyde for later analysis ashore.



Figure 3. Mini Hamon grab with video camera (HamCam).

The camera sledge system comprised a video camera with capability to also capture still images (Figure 4). Illumination was provided by three Cefas high intensity LED striplights and a flash unit. The camera was fitted with a four-spot laser-scaling device to provide a reference scale in the video image. Set-up and operation followed the MESH 'Recommended Operating Guidelines (ROG) for underwater video and photographic imaging techniques'. Video was recorded simultaneously to a Sony GV-HD700 DV tape recorded and a computer hard drive. A video overlay was used to provide station metadata, time and GPS position (of the vessel) in the recorded video image.

Camera tows lasted a minimum of 10 minutes, with the sledge being towed at ~ 0.5 knots (~0.25 ms⁻¹) across a 50 m 'bullring' centered on the sampling station. Stills images were captured at regular one-minute intervals and opportunistically if specific features of interest were encountered. The sledge was controlled by a winch operator with sight of the video monitor and note made of the amount of tow cable deployed to allow a 'lay back' to be applied to estimate the distance of the sledge behind the vessel.



Figure 4. Camera sledge with video and still imaging system.

2.2.2 Circalittoral Rock Broad Scale Habitats and Mixed sediments

A drop-camera system was available for sampling stations where a hard substrate was predicted by the SAD or observed in the acoustic survey. The system specification was similar to that used on the camera sledge (as described above) but mounted in a rectangular drop-frame (Figure 5) and deployed from the side gantry, amidships. Deployments lasted a minimum of 10 minutes, with the vessel executing a controlled drift at ~ 0.5 knots (~0.25 ms⁻¹) across a 50 m 'bullring' centered on the sampling station. Stills images were captured at regular one-minute intervals and opportunistically if specific features of interest were encountered. The height of the camera off the seabed was controlled by a winch operator with sight of the video monitor.



Figure 5. Drop camera frame fitted with video and still imaging system.

3 Survey Narrative

Survey work commenced at the Rock Unique rMCZ on 07/03/12 at 21:00. Grab sampling commenced in the south-east of the site within the area predicted to be sublittoral coarse sediment. Images of the seabed observed during the deployment of the HamCam guided the positioning of subsequent camera sledge deployments. If the area was homogenous then camera deployments were carried out every third station to ensure an adequate density and spatial coverage of video and still images across the rMCZ. If the seabed was of a heterogeneous nature or different to the predicted habitat type, additional camera sledge deployments were carried out.

Samples were not collected at four of the planned survey stations (RU_S_1, RU_S_10, RU_C_7 and RU_C_20) due to the coarseness of the substrates present. It is interesting to note that this occurred in both BSH types. Boulders and cobbles were also observed during camera sledge deployments within in both predicted broadscale habitats. Although the sample collected at RU_S_1 was deemed too small to accept it did contain the species FOCI *Arctica Islandica* (Ocean Quahog) (not listed as a species FOCI as part of the recommendations for the Rock Unique rMCZ).

Sediments across the north and south of the site were found to be broadly consistent with the predicted EUNIS sediment types, however a large section of the predicted subtidal sand BSH was found (during preliminary assessments) to be subtidal mixed sediments.

The survey of Rock Unique rMCZ was completed 17:00 09/03/12.

4 Preliminary Results

4.1 Acoustic Survey

A full coverage multibeam survey had previously been carried out at Rock Unique rMCZ by the UKHO. Therefore, no additional multibeam data were collected during this survey.

4.2 Seabed Imagery

Table 2. Preliminary summary of surface sediments and epifaunal species derived from video and still imagery.

Stn Code	BSH Habitat/Faunal Summary	Still Image
RU_C_08	Coarse mixed sediment with frequent cobbles Pecten maximus, Flustra foliacea, Aequipecten opercularis, Echinus, Nemertesia.	
RU_C_01	Shelly sand with occasional cobble Flustra foliacea, Ophiura ophiura, Asterias rubens, Crangon crangon.	
RU_S_13	Fine muddy sand Asterias rubens, Hippasteria phrygiana, Flustra foliacea, Pennatula phosphorea, Nemertesia sp	
RU_C_20	Sandy gravel Pennatula phosphorea, Porania pulvillus, Pagurus sp, Flustra foliacea	

Stn Code	BSH Habitat/Faunal Summary	Still Image
RU_S_08	Slightly sandy gravel Porania pulvillus, Flustra foliacea, Ammodytes sp	
RU_S_09	Slightly shelly rippled sand Aequipecten opercularis, Pagurus sp, Flustra foliacea	
RU_S_10	Gravelly sand Aequipecten opercularis, Flustra foliacea, Munida rugosa	
RU_C_19	Sandy gravel with occasional cobble Ebalia sp, Flustra foliacea, Pagurus sp, Echinus	
RU_S_11	Sandy gravel Porania pulvillas, Aequipecten opercularis, Echinus esculentus, Pagurus sp, Asterias rubens	

Stn Code	BSH Habitat/Faunal Summary	Still Image
RU_C_03	Sandy gravel with occasional cobble Pecten maximus, Gonoplax rhomboides, Echinus sp, Aequipecten opercularis, Flustra foliacea	
RU_C_08	Sandy gravel with frequent cobbles Nemertesia sp, Pagurus sp, Aequipecten opercularis, Pecten maximus.	
RU_S_16	Shelly fine sand with occasional cobble Flustra foliacea, Pagurus sp, Astropecten irregularis, Pennatula phosphorea	
RU_C_18	Sandy gravel with cobbles Flustra foliacea, Munida rugosa, Aequipecten opercularis, Pagurus sp, Porania pulvillas	
RU_S_05	Sandy gravel with cobble Flustra foliacea, Munida rugosa, Aequipecten opercularis, Pagurus sp, Porania pulvillas, Macropodia sp	

Stn Code	BSH Habitat/Faunal Summary	Still Image
RU_C_08	Sandy shelly gravel with cobbles Flustra foliacea, Munida rugosa, Pagurus sp, Porania pulvillas,	Cuil Illage
RU_C_15	Rippled fine muddy sand with shell fragments Pennatula phosphorea (tow terminated early due to poor visibility)	
RU_C_21	Sandy gravel with occasional cobble and boulder Callionymus lyra, Pagurus sp, Flustra foliacea, Stichastrella rosea	
RU_S_24	Fine muddy sand Pennatula phosphorea, Pagurus sp, Echinocardium cordatum	
RU_S_18	Gravelly shelly sand with occasional cobble, Ophiura ophiura, Pennatula phosphorea, Pagurus sp, Nemertesia sp, Crangon crangon	

4.3 Ham Cam and Grab Samples

Preliminary observations of the spatial distribution of sediment types (EUNIS Level 3) for each grab sample were also summarised (Figure 6). It should be emphasised that this assignment of EUNIS classification is purely subjective and could change as a result of subsequent laboratory analysis and interpretation.

Preliminary Sediment Descriptions

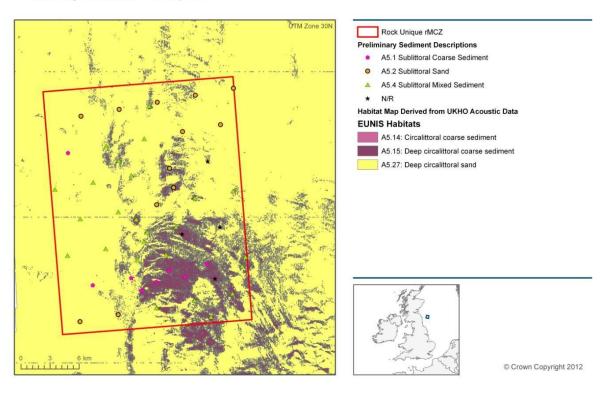


Figure 6. SAD habitat map overlaid with preliminary observations of sediment type, as determined by visual assessment of grab samples (N/R = not recorded).

4.4 Features of Conservation Importance (FOCI)

Specimens of the species FOCI *Arctica Islandica* (Ocean Quahog) were observed in samples collected within the Rock Unique rMCZ during this survey. However, *Arctica islandica* are not listed as a species FOCI within the recommendations for the proposed designation of this site.

5 Annexes

5.1 RV Cefas Endeavour



Port of registry	Lowestoft
Length OA	73.00 m (excluding stern roller)
Length extreme	73.916 m
Breadth (MLD)	15.80 m
Depth (MLD)	8.20 m
Design draft	5.00 m
Deep draught	5.50 m
LBP	66.50 m
Gross tonnage	2983 tonnes
Net register tonnage	894 tonnes
Net lightship	2436 tonnes
Deadweight @ 5.00 m	784 tonnes
Deadweight @ 5.50 m	1244 tonnes
Displacement @ 5.00 m	3210 tonnes
Displacement @ 5.50 m	3680 tonnes
Builder	Ferguson Shipbuilders Limited, Port Glasgow
Commissioned	2003
Communications	In port BT Tel. Cellphone Voice/Fax/Data
	Radio
	TELEX Inmarsat C Fleet 77 (Inmarsat F) and
	VSAT (eutelsat) internet access
Endurance	42 days
Complement	En-suite accommodation for 16 crew and 19
	scientists with dedicated hospital facility
Propulsion System	AC/DC Diesel Electric 3 x diesel electric AC
	generators, individually raft mounted 2 x
	tandom electric DC motors Single screw
Power generation	3240 Kw
Power propulsion	2230 Kw
Thrusters	Bow thruster (flush mounted azimuthing) Stern
	thruster (tunnel)
Trial speed	14.4 knots
Bollard pull	29 tonnes
Call sign	VQHF3
Official number	906938
MMSI	235005270

Lloyds/IMO number	9251107
Side Gantry	7.5 tonne articulated side A-frame
Stern Gantry	25 tonne stern A-frame
Winches	3 x cranes 35 tM, heave compensated 2 x trawl winches 2 x drum winches, (1 double) Double barrel survey winch with motion compensation and slip rings Double barrel survey winch with slip rings Double barrel towing winch with slip rings Side-scan sonar winch with slip rings 3 x Gilson winches (one fitted to stern A-frame)
Transducers/Sea tube	Drop keel to deploy transducers outside the hull boundary layer in addition to hull mounted transducers 1.2 m diameter sea tube/moon-pool
Acoustic equipment	Kongsberg Simrad: HiPAP 500 positioning sonar EK60, 38/120 kHz scientific sounder EA 600, 50/200 kHz scientific sounder Scanmar net mensuration system SH80 high frequency omni- directional sonar EM3002 swathe bathymetry sounder Hull mounted Scanmar fishing computer transducers
Boats	2 x 8m rigid work and rescue boats with suite of navigational equipment deployed on heave-compensated davits
Laboratories	8 networked laboratories designed for optimum flexibility of purpose 4 serviced deck locations for containerised laboratories
Special features	Dynamic positioning system Intering anti-roll system Local Area Network with scientific data management system Ship-wide general information system CCTV
Class	LRS 100A1+LMC UMS SCM CCS ICC IP ES(2) DP(CM) ICE class 2

5.2 Camera sledge and Drop Camera

Flash model: Kongsberg 11-242

Underwater lights – Cefas high power LED strip lights

Video and stills camera settings variable depending on underwater visibility and ambient

light levels.

5.3 Positioning Software-Tower

Vessel offsets are defined from the pitch roll centre of the vessel – the Common Reference Point (CRP) used by the Tower CEMAP software to calculate offsets.

5.4 Multibeam Bathymetry

Model: Kongsberg EM3002D

Frequency: 300kHz; swathe width variable running in hi res equidistant mode

Latency correction not determined – 1pps synchronised time system utilised on vessel.

5.5 Metadata

Station metadata for the Rock Unique rMCZ survey on CEND 04/12 are provided below. (NB. Stn No is a sequential event number for the cruise, so changes each time a new gear is used or a new location sampled. Stn Code is used to identify the sampling location). HC=HamCam, CS=Camera Sledge.

Cruise	Date	Stn No.	Stn Code	Gear	Latitude	Longitude
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5.6 Daily Progress Report

DAILY LOG STATUS REPORT Name of Area Survey Rv Cefas Endeavour – JNCC – DPR No. 34 – Wednesday 7th March 2012

Vessel: RV Cefas Endeavour	Project: MCZ Site Verification CEND 3/12
GSM: 07799 773456	Satellite Voice Bridge: 00 870 (or 00871) 763998027
Daily Progress Report No. 34 Date: 8 th Mar. 2012	Location at 24:00: 55° 39.8 N, 000° 34.3E

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Safety

	Today	To Date
Accidents/Incidents	0	0
Near Misses	0	0
Safety Drills/Induction	0	1
Additional comments:		

Summary of operations 0000-2400

Time UTC	Time UTC	Type	Comments
(start)	(end)		
00:00	03:01	Transit	Chalk Reef to Rock Unique
03:01	03:14	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_15
03:14	04:08	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_01
04:08	05:05	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_02
05:05	05:51	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_03
05:51	06:42	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_06
06:42	07:32	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_04
07:32	09:20	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_05
09:20	10:06	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_07
10:06	11:23	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_08
11:23	12:40	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_09
12:40	13:31	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_14
13:31	14:19	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_16
14:19	16:06	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_10
16:06	17:05	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_11
17:05	17:58	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_12
17:58	21:25	ToSa	Camera sledge CH_13
21:25	21:35	Transit	Chalk Reef to Rock Unique
		Offshore	-
21:35	22:16	Calibrations	CTD
22:16	22:26	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_20 (Three attempts)
22:26	23:02	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_C_20
23:02	23:40	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_02
23:40	23:59	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_06
23:59	00:00	Transit	To next station

Weather

**Outiloi					
Weather/sea	0000-0600	0600-1200	1200-1800	1800-2400	Remarks
state					
conditions					
Wind	S 7	SW 6	W-N 7	N 7	
Sea state	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	
Swell	Rather Rough	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	
Vis	Moderate	Good	Good	Good	
Baro	1020	1016	1019	1023	

Overall Progress

Type	Today	Accum	Remarks
	(hh:mm)	(hh:mm)	
Mob/Demob		08:26	
Offshorecalibrations	00:10	00:42	
Total Operation Survey			
(TOSu)		33:43	
Total Operation			
Sampling (TOSa)	17:22	62:28	
Equipment/Downtime			
Ship/Plant Downtime			
Waiting On Weather		07:41	
Transit	06:28	20:35	
Standby Port			
Others		00:24	
Total:	24:00:00	135:59	

Overall Progress Geophysical Data Acquisition MBES/Sidescan

Segment/Area/Line	Today (Lkm)	Accum. (Lkm)	Current estimated total (Lkm)	Remarks
Acoustic: Multibeam				
Multibeam EM3000D / EM2040	0	516		Working in existing multibeamed area.

Overall Progress Groundtruthing Samples

Action	Today (Lkm/samples)	Accum. (Lkm/samples)	Remarks
Hamon grab (0.1m ²)	3	56	
Drop camera	0	1	
Camera sledge	17	35	

Weather forecast for the next 24 hours

West 5 or 6 backing southwest 4. Slight or moderate. Mainly fair. Good.

Planned operation for the next 24 hours (00:00 to 24:00 on 8rd March 2012)

Continue to sample at Rock Unique.

Agreed changes to Scope/Survey operation priorities	

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CEFAS/JNCC comments	EFAS/JNCC comments			
CEFAS SIC	JNCC Rep:			

DAILY LOG STATUS REPORT Name of Area Survey Rv Cefas Endeavour – JNCC – DPR No. 35 – Thursday 8th March 2012

Vessel: RV Cefas Endeavour GSM: 07799 773456	Project: MCZ Site Verification CEND 3/12 Satellite Voice Bridge: 00 870 (or 00871) 763998027
Daily Progress Report No. 35 Date: 8 th Mar. 2012	Location at 24:00: 55° 45.7 N, 000° 32.1 E

To Company:	Person:	E-mail:	
Cefas			
JNCC			
Cefas			

Safety

	Today	To Date
Accidents/Incidents	0	0
Near Misses	0	0
Safety Drills/Induction	0	1
Additional comments:		•

Summary of operations 0000-2400

Time UTC	Time UTC	Type	Comments
(start)	(end)		
00:00	00:22	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_08
00:22	00:53	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_S_08
00:53	01:39	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_05
01:39	02:23	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_07
02:23	03:08	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_09
03:08	03:39	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_S_09
03:39	04:32	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_09 Two attempts
04:32	05:01	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_S_10
05:01	05:44	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_C_19
05:44	05:54	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_19
05:54	06:17	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_02
06:17	06:40	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_11
06:40	07:14	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_S_11
07:14	08:25	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_03 Three attempts, 2nd used
08:25	08:57	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_07
08:57	09:33	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_03 Two attempts
09:33	10:04	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_C_03
10:04	10:27	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_09
10:27	11:15	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_08 Three attempts
11:15	11:47	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_C_08
11:47	12:35	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_04
12:35	13:08	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_01 Two attempts
13:08	13:38	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_C_01
13:38	14:20	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_01 Three attempts
14:20	14:53	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_13
14:53	15:24	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_S_13
15:24	15:56	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_12
15:56	16:28	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_15

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Time UTC (start)	Time UTC (end)	Туре	Comments
16:28	16:54	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_16
16:54	17:30	Ship/Plant Downtime	Crew stopped for dinner
17:30	17:51	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_S_16

Weather

Weather/sea	0000-0600	0600-1200	1200-1800	1800-2400	Remarks
state					
conditions					
Wind	W7	W6	SW 5	SW 5	
Sea state	Moderate	Moderate	Slight	Smooth	
Swell	Moderate	Moderate	Slight	Smooth	
Vis	Good	Good	Good	Good	
Baro	1028	1034	1036	1036	

Overall Progress

Type	Today	Accum	Remarks
	(hh:mm)	(hh:mm)	
Mob/Demob		08:26	
Offshorecalibrations		00:42	
Total Operation Survey (TOSu)		09:43	
Total Operation			
Sampling (TOSa)	23:24	13:52	
Equipment/Downtime		02:00	
Ship/Plant Downtime	00:36	00:36	
Waiting On Weather		07:41	
Transit		20:35	
Standby Port			
Others		00:24	
Total:	24:00:00	159:59:00	

Overall Progress Geophysical Data Acquisition MBES/Sidescan

Segment/Area/Line	Today (Lkm)	Accum. (Lkm)	Current estimated total (Lkm)	Remarks
Acoustic: Multibeam				
Multibeam EM3000D / EM2040	0	516		Working in existing multibeamed area.

Overall Progress Groundtruthing Samples

Overall Progress Groundtruthing Samples					
Action	Today	Accum.	Remarks		
	(Lkm/samples)	(Lkm/samples)			
Hamon grab (0.1m ²)	24	104			
Drop camera	0	1			
Camera sledge	13	61			

Weather forecast for the next 24 hours

West backing southwest 4 or 5. Slight or Moderate. Mainly Fair. Moderate or Good.

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Planned operation for the next 24 hours (00:00 to 24:00 on 9° March 2012)
Complete Rock Unique and start transit to Farnes East.
Agreed changes to Scope/Survey operation priorities
CEFAS/JNCC comments
A couple of live Quahog (Arctica islandica) were found in one sample in the Rock Unique site.
CEFAS SIC JNCC Rep:

DAILY LOG STATUS REPORT Name of Area Survey Rv Cefas Endeavour – JNCC – DPR No. 36 – Friday 9th March 2012

Vessel: RV Cefas Endeavour	Project: MCZ Site Verification CEND 3/12
GSM: 07799 773456	Satellite Voice Bridge: 00 870 (or 00871) 763998027
Daily Progress Report No. 36 Date: 9th Mar. 2012	Location at 24:00: 55° 50.0 N, 001° 04.8 W

Person:		E-mail:	
	Person:	Person:	Person: E-mail:

Safety

	Today	To Date
Accidents/Incidents	0	0
Near Misses	0	0
Safety Drills/Induction	0	1
Additional comments:		

Summary of operations 0000-2400

Time UTC	Time UTC	Type	Comments
(start)	(end)		
00:00	00:11	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_12
00:00	00:19	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_12
00:00	00:26	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_12
00:11	01:00	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_11
01:00	01:27	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_17
01:27	01:33	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_17
01:33	03:20	Equipment/Dow ntime	Camera sledge RU_C_17 CS abandoned due to water ingress
03:20	03:21	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_20
03:21	03:31	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_20 took second attempt
03:31	04:08	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_14
04:08	04:13	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_14
04:13	04:24	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_14 HC used as video
04:24	04:59	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_13
04:59	05:21	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_4
05:21	05:26	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_4
05:26	05:34	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_4 HC used as video
05:34	06:06	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_19
06:06	06:39	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_18
06:39	07:12	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_21
07:12	08:13	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_22
08:13	08:18	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_22
08:18	08:52	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_15
08:52	08:58	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_15
08:58	10:50	Equipment/Dow ntime	Camera sledge Issues with camera coms
10:50	11:05	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_C_15 Too much tide washed suspended sediment to see, tow stopped early
11:05	11:42	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_16

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Time UTC	Time UTC	Туре	Comments
(start)	(end)		
11:42	12:37	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_23
12:37	13:00	Ship/Plant Downtime	Crew stopped for lunch
13:00	13:10	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_28
13:10	13:43	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_27
13:43	14:14	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_26
14:14	14:45	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_C_21 Three Samples (First used)
14:45	15:13	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_C_21 Tow cut short due to boulders
15:13	15:46	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_25
15:46	16:17	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) RU_S_24
16:17	17:20	Equipment/Dow ntime	Issues with camera coms
17:20	17:58	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_S_24
17:58	19:24	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_S_18
19:24	20:26	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_C_17 Long steam to station, camera deployed - video feed issues developed
20:26	21:10	Equipment/Dow ntime	Camera sledge Investigating video sled issues.
21:10	21:30	ToSa	Camera sledge RU_C_17 Video redeployed, snapshot camera stopped working after a couple of shots (possible controller software issue). Continued for 5mins with video only.
21:30	23:25	Transit	Transit to Farnes East Site. Last sled station abandoned (RU_S_28) due to technical uncertainties and to keep on schedule.
23:25	23:30	Offshore Calibrations	CTD
23:30	23:37	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_S_22 No sled - diagnostics being carried out
23:37	24:00	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_S_21 Sample taken after 24:00

Weather

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Weather/sea	0000-0600	0600-1200	1200-1800	1800-2400	Remarks
state					
conditions					
Wind	S 7	SW 6	SW 7	W 5	
Sea state	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	
Swell	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	
Vis	Good	Good	Good	Good	
Baro	1035	1034	1034	1036	

Overall Progress

Type	Today	Accum	Remarks
	(hh:mm)	(hh:mm)	
Mob/Demob		09:43	
Offshorecalibrations	00:05	00:47	
Total Operation Survey			
(TOSu)		09:43	
Total Operation			
Sampling (TOSa)		06:03	
Equipment/Downtime	16:11	06:03	Camera Sled Issues
Ship/Plant Downtime	05:26	07:26	

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Туре	Today (hh:mm)	Accum (hh:mm)	Remarks
Waiting On Weather	00:23	00:59	
Transit		07:41	
Standby Port	01:55	22:30	
Others			
Total:		00:24	

Overall Progress Geophysical Data Acquisition MBES/Sidescan

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Segment/Area/Line	Today (Lkm)	Accum. (Lkm)	Current estimated total (Lkm)	Remarks
Acoustic: Multibeam				
Multibeam EM3000D / EM2040	0	516		Working in existing multibeamed area.

Overall Progress Groundtruthing Samples

Overall Progress Group	Overall Progress Groundtruthing Samples					
Action	Today	Accum.	Remarks			
	(Lkm/samples)	(Lkm/samples)				
Hamon grab (0.1m ²)	23	1				
Drop camera	0	1				
Camera sledge	4	56				

Weather forecast for the next 24 hours

West or southwest, veering northwest later, 3 or 4. Smooth or slight. Occasional rain later in south. Moderate or good.

Planned operation for the next 24 hours (00:00 to 24:00 on 10 th March 2012)			
Continue with Farne East sampling.			
Agreed changes to Scope/Survey operation priorities			

CEFAS/JNCC comments		
CEFAS SIC	JNCC Rep:	

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DAILY LOG STATUS REPORT Name of Area Survey Rv Cefas Endeavour – JNCC – DPR No. 37 – Saturday 10th March 2012

Vessel: RV Cefas Endeavour	Project: MCZ Site Verification CEND 3/12
GSM: 07799 773456	Satellite Voice Bridge: 00 870 (or 00871) 763998027
Daily Progress Report No. 37 Date: 10 th Mar. 2012	Location at 24:00: 55° 43.1 N, 001° 25.7 W

To Company:	Person:	E-mail:
Cefas		
JNCC		
Cefas		

Safety

	Today	To Date
Accidents/Incidents	0	0
Near Misses	0	0
Safety Drills/Induction	0	1
Additional comments:		

Summary of operations 0000-2400

Time UTC	Time UTC	Type	Comments
(start)	(end)		
00:00	00:08	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_S_21
80:00	00:43	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_S_20
00:43	01:10	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_23
01:10	01:44	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_22
01:44	02:11	Equipment/Dow ntime	Camera sledge FE_C_22 Camera Fault
02:11	02:40	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_27
02:40	03:10	ToSa	Camera sledge FE_C_27
03:10	03:49	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_21
03:49	04:41	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE C 26
04:41	05:06	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_20
05:06	05:33	ToSa	Camera sledge FE_C_20
05:33	06:01	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_25
06:01	06:28	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_18
06:28	06:50	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_24
06:50	07:12	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_R_39
07:12	08:26	ToSa	Camera sledge FE_R_39
08:26	09:14	ToSa	Camera sledge FE_C_16
09:14	09:51	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_16 first try no sample
09:51	10:25	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_10
10:25	10:54	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_8
10:54	11:21	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_R_38
11:21	11:52	ToSa	Camera sledge FE_R_38
11:52	12:39	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_11
12:39	13:08	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_09
13:08	13:38	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_13
13:38	14:05	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_R_37
14:05	14:35	ToSa	Camera sledge FE_R_37
14:35	15:10	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_14

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Time UTC	Time UTC	Туре	Comments
(start)	(end)		
			Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_15 One Artica islandican
15:10	15:40	ToSa	- damaged in grab
		Equipment/Dow	
15:40	16:05	ntime	Sled camera software issues
16:05	16:11	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_17
		Equipment/Dow	
16:11	17:00	ntime	Camera sledge Sled camera software issues
17:00	17:32	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_19
			Camera sledge FE_S_19 No Video recorded -
17:32	18:30	ToSa	system working okay though
18:30	18:44	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_S_19
18:44	19:14	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_12
19:14	19:46	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_S_18 Two attempts
19:46	20:12	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_S_17
20:12	20:42	ToSa	Camera sledge FE_S_17
			Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_R_36 Three attempts.
20:42	21:39	ToSa	Jaws kept open my rocks each time.
21:39	22:11	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_R_35
22:11	22:43	ToSa	Camera sledge FE_R_35
22:43	23:19	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_07
23:19	23:46	ToSa	Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_06
			Hamon grab (0.1m2) FE_C_04 Grab taken after
23:46	23:59	ToSa	24:00

Weather

Weather/sea	0000-0600	0600-1200	1200-1800	1800-2400	Remarks
state					
conditions					
Wind	W 6	W 7	W 5	W 5	
Sea state	Slight	Moderate	Slight	Smooth	
Swell	Slight	Moderate	Slight	Smooth	
Vis	Good	Good	Good	Good	
Baro	1038	1040	1040	1044	

Overall Progress

Type	Today	Accum	Remarks
	(hh:mm)	(hh:mm)	
Mob/Demob		08:26	
Offshorecalibrations		00:47	
Total Operation Survey (TOSu)		09:43	
Total Operation Sampling (TOSa)	22:19	17:37	
Equipment/Downtime	01:41	04:04	
Ship/Plant Downtime		00:36	
Waiting On Weather		09:36	
Transit		20:35	
Standby Port			
Others		00:24	
Total:	24:00:00	183:59:00	

Overall Progress Geophysical Data Acquisition MBES/Sidescan

Segment/Area/Line	Today (Lkm)	Accum. (Lkm)	Current estimated total (Lkm)	Remarks
Acoustic: Multibeam				
Multibeam EM3000D / EM2040	0	516		Working in existing multibeamed area.

Overall Progress Groundtruthing Samples

Action	Today (Lkm/samples)	Accum. (Lkm/samples)	Remarks
Hamon grab (0.1m ²)	31	165	
Drop camera	0	1	
Camera sledge	9	70	

Weather forecas	t for th	ne next	24	hours
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Planned operation for the next 24 hours (00:00 to 24:00 on 11 th March 2012)					
Continue to sample at Farne East.					
Agreed changes to Scope/Survey operation priorities					

CEFAS/JNCC comments			
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CEFAS SIC.... JNCC Rep:

5.7 Fisheries Liaison Officer (FLO) Report

No Fisheries Liaison Officer was on board, but no fishing activity was observed during the survey within the Rock Unique rMCZ during CEND 04/12.

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