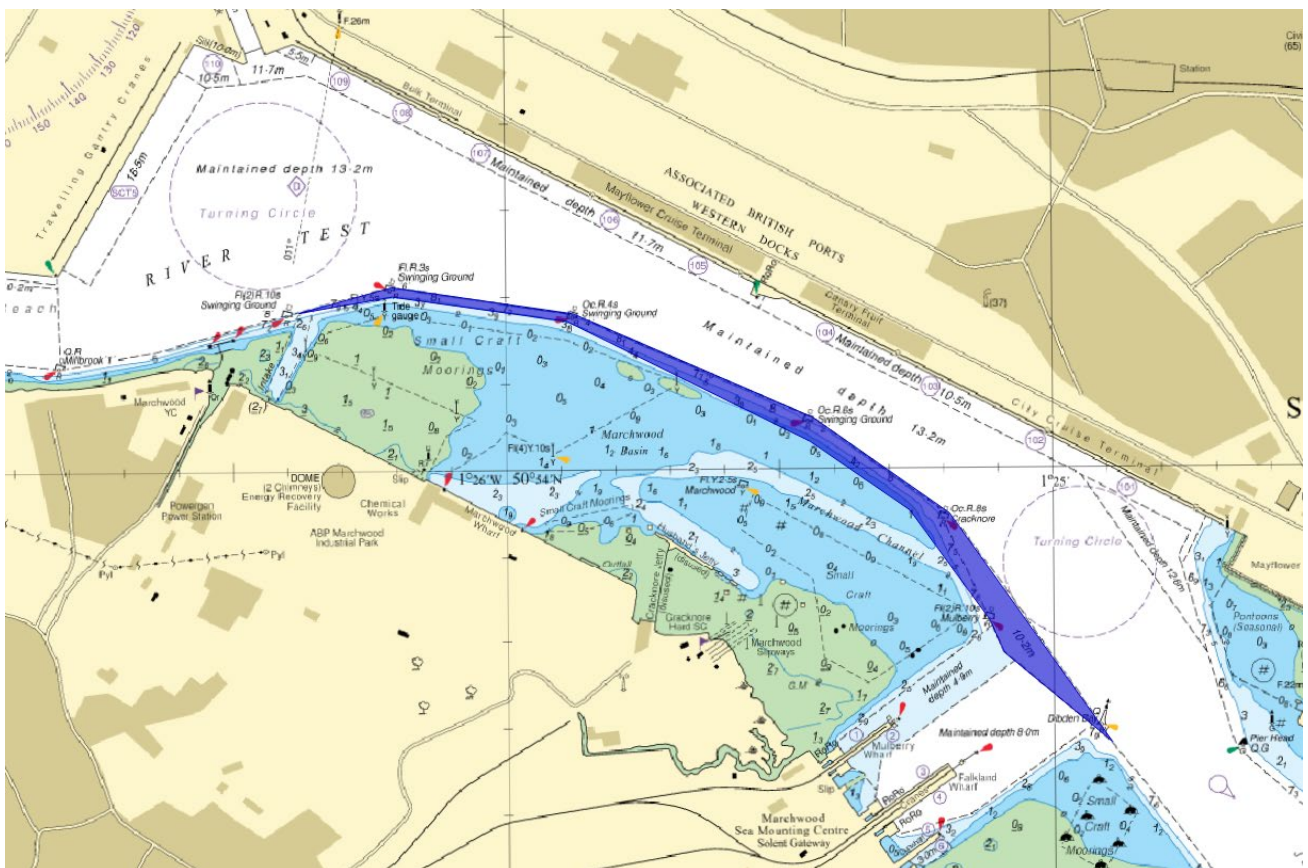


**NOTICE TO MARINERS No 68 of 2023-2024**  
**Port of Southampton**

**Western Docks Channel Widening**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** - Dredging operations for widening the primary navigational channel in the Western Docks, between Swinging Ground No.8 and the Dibben Bay Cardinal, will take place between 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023 and 16<sup>th</sup> March 2024. Dredging operations will be continuous throughout the period.

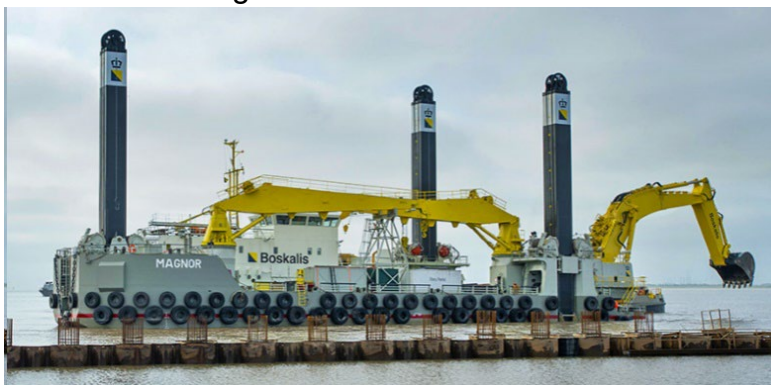


Works area highlighted in dark blue above.

The works will involve the vessels listed below:

**Vessels Involved**

Backhoe Dredger **'MAGNOR'**



Trailer Suction Hopper Dredger **'CRESTWAY'**



Trailer Suction Hopper Dredger **'FREEWAY'**



Tugs **'GPS AVENGER'**, **'UNION ONYX'** and **'UNION TOPAZ'**



Split Hopper Barges **'TERRAFARE 1'** and **'TERRAFARE 2'**



Self-Propelled Barge **'JAN BLANKEN'**



Survey Vessels **'PORTHOS'** and **'ABP MERLIN'**



**'MAGNOR'** will load two non-propelled and one self-propelled Split Hopper Barge which will then be towed/pushed to the NAB TOWER disposal site by tugs.

Mariners should expect to pass these vessels at any time between the upper reaches of the River Test, Southampton Water and the Nab disposal area.

All vessels will display the lights and shapes as required by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (ColRegs) and mariners are requested to reduce speed, as safe navigation permits, when passing a vessel which is engaged in dredging or loading activities.

All vessels involved will maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 12 throughout the operations. Mariners may request traffic information from Southampton VTS on VHF Channel 12.

**Vessel Traffic Services Centre  
Ocean Gate, Atlantic Way  
Southampton, SO14 3QN**

**Steven Masters  
Harbour Master**

27<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.**