

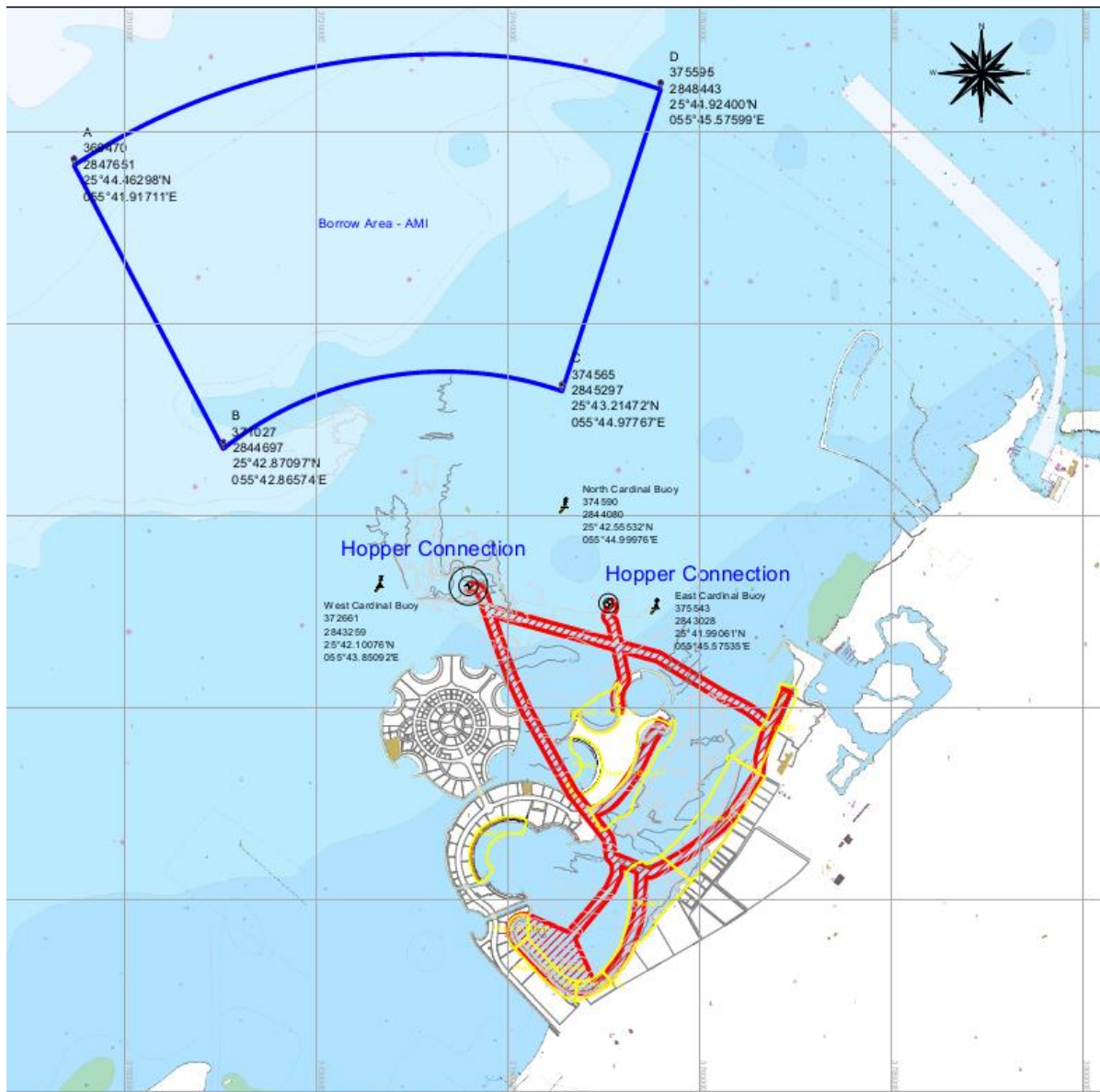
NOTICE TO MARINERS

No. 16 – 6th September 2024

Sub: Dredging Operations at Al Marjan, Ras Al Khaimah

Ref : BA Chart 3174, NtM No. 09 dated 17th May 2024

This Notice to Mariners has been issued on behalf of *M/s. Van Oord Middle East Ltd*, who will be conducting dredging operations 24x7 from 18th Aug 2024 until 21st January 2025 in the basin of Al Marjan, Ras Al Khaimah.




Restricted area of pipeline corridor marked in red. The *Trailing Suction Hopper Dredger Rotterdam and Volvox Olympia* and supporting tugs will have restrictions in their manoeuvrability. All vessels will display their daymarks and navigation lights as such.

Thus, all the vessels transiting the area must keep a sharp lookout and are requested to maintain a safe distance of **minimum 1.5 NM** from TSHD Rotterdam and Volvox Olympia.

Any vessel intending to enter within 1.5 NM radius of TSHD Rotterdam or TSHD Volvox Olympia are required to liaise directly with the TSHD on VHF CH11 or 16.



The Coupling Area of the Rotterdam and Volvox Olympia will be designated with Cardinal Buoys as indicated on the first figure, this because once the Trailing Suction Hopper Dredgers are connected to the pipeline manoeuvring is impossible and water depth decreases due to the pipeline on the seabed. The locations and visual representations of the Cardinal Buoys are detailed in the table below.

Cardinal Buoys	Easting Northing	Longitude Latitude	Visuals
North Cardinal Buoy	374591 2844094	25°42.56302’N 055°45.00042’E	 North Cardinal Buoy
East Cardinal Buoy	375531 2843036	25°41.99492’N 055°45.56847’E	 East Cardinal Buoy
West Cardinal Buoy	372666 2843281	25°42.11286’N 055°43.85389’E	 West Cardinal Buoy

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