

NOTICE TO MARINERS U13 of 2017

HORSE REACH (LOWER) TO MORTLAKE REACH (UPPER)

TEMPORARY WATER QUALITY MONITORING BUOYS

This notice supersedes Notice to Mariners U6 of 2017, which is hereby cancelled.

Background

Contractors working on behalf of Thames Water have installed a number of buoys in the upper reaches of the tidal Thames. Each buoy is installed with a water quality monitoring sensors and data loggers to enable monitoring of water quality in the tideway at various intervals.

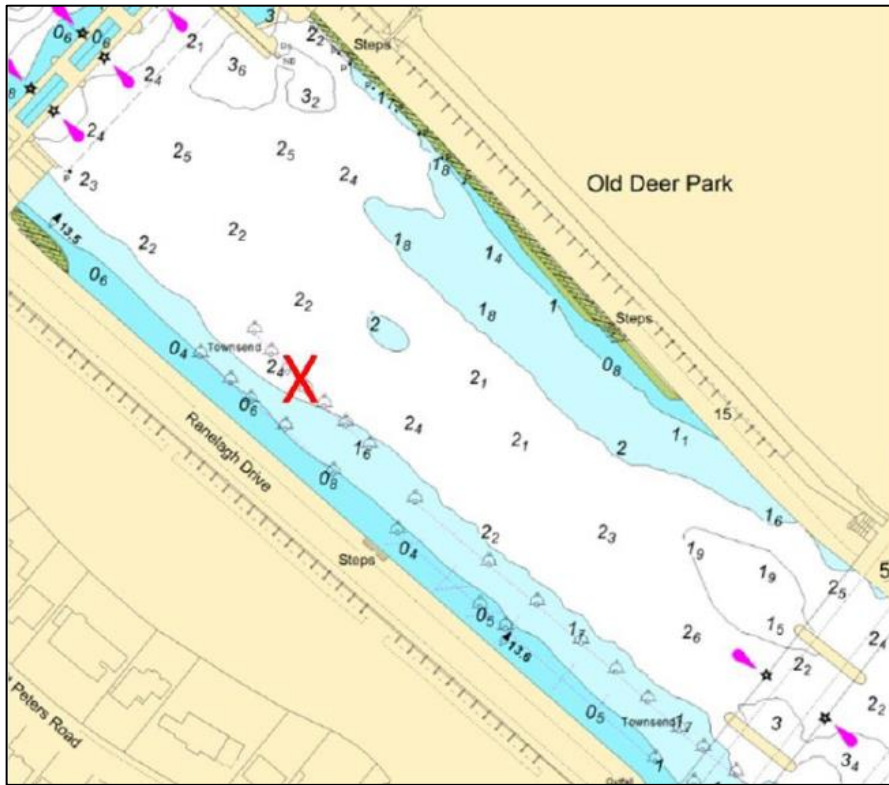
The temporary buoys which have been installed have a diameter of 600mm and are of a Special Mark (yellow in colour) design with lighting characteristics of FI2(Y). They are positioned at the following locations (chart extract below):

- Horse Reach – Ranelagh Drive (north shore and upriver of No. 1 arch Richmond Lock, Weir and Footbridge)
- Sheengulls Reach – Thistleworth (north shore and approximately 60m upriver of Thistleworth Marina Pier)
- Sheengulls Reach – Sheengull Steps (south shore and at the downriver end of Isleworth Ait)

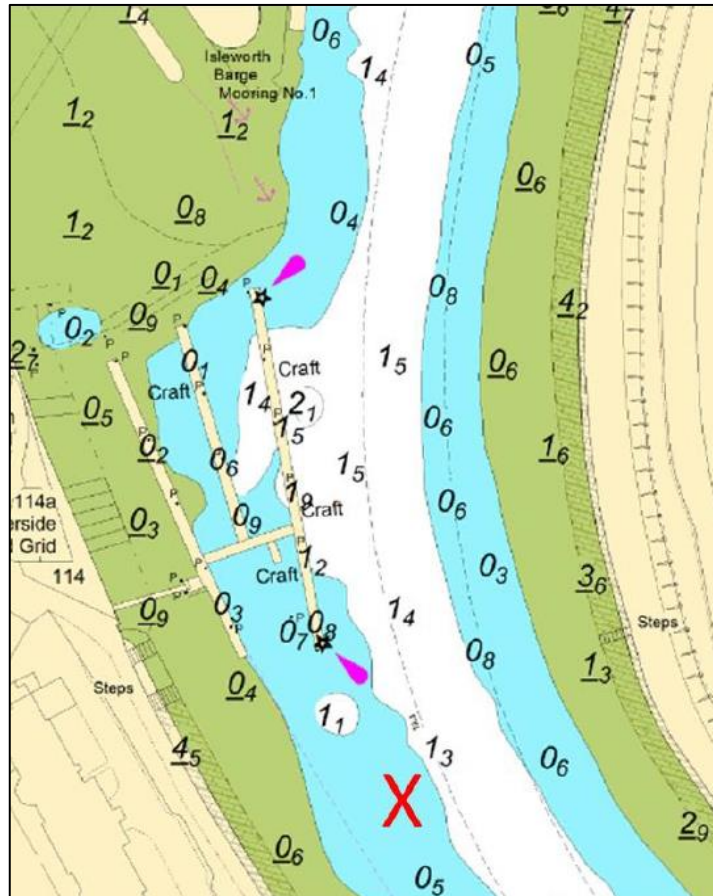
In addition, further sensors and data logger has been fitted to the PLA Syon Reach rowing buoy, the lighting characteristic on this buoy has not be change during the trial. Two further sensors and data loggers have been fitted to the Environment Agency automatic water quality monitoring stations at Brentford Barge, Syon Reach and Kew Barge, Mortlake Reach (Upper).

Extension

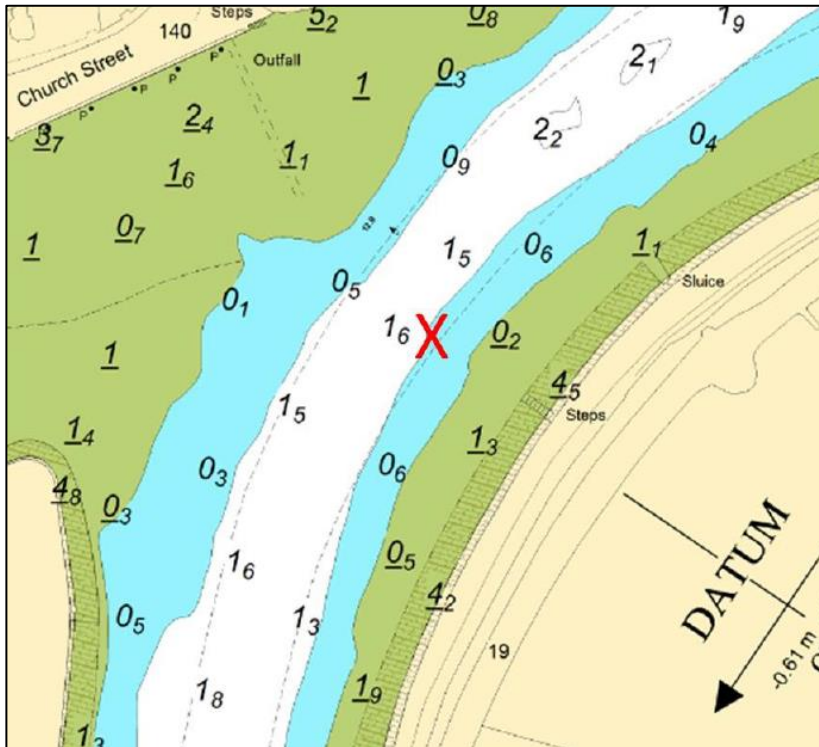
The temporary buoys will remain in situ for an additional month and will be removed on or about the **31st October 2017**, with MV BULLDOG recovering the temporary buoys. When works are being carried out at all of the above locations, mariners are requested to be mindful of the nature of the works and to pass at a safe distance from the operations.



Horse Reach – Ranelagh Drive



Sheengulls Reach - Thistleworth



Sheengulls Reach – Sheengull Steps

**15 September
2017**

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**BOB BAKER
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