

Schedule Update for Moving Fixed Fishing Gear
NOTICE TO FISHING VESSELS - TELECOMMUNICATION CABLE INSTALLATION
REQUEST TO KEEP FISHING GEAR CLEAR [Federal Waters Only]
FIRMINA TELECOMMUNICATIONS CABLE

Dear Fishing Vessels and Mariners – U.S. East Coast

THIS IS A PROGRESS UPDATE TO THE PREVIOUS EMAIL SENT ON DEC 22, 2022.

The cable ship **CS Durable** is making good progress on the installation and burial of the FIRMINA Telecom Cable. The cable has been installed and buried from a point approx. 15 nautical miles from Myrtle Beach, SC out approx. 77 nautical miles. This phase of the project is beyond 3 nautical miles from shore in Federal Waters only. [See attached chart and route position list of the route.] This phase will end 240 nautical miles from shore at N31 02.4875, W075 22.1720 and is scheduled to be completed around **February 20, 2023** after weather delays. The first 15 nautical miles of cable from shore will be installed by another vessel in a separate marine operation in **May 2023**. We will update you when those details are available.

Please take notice of the coordinate locations below where the cable is temporarily not buried:
Please avoid these sections until they are buried.

Site Number	Approx. Length of Exposed Area (Feet)	Position Latitude	Position Longitude	Water Depth (Fathoms)	Expected Burial Date
#1	1500 ft	Start: N33 30.5960 End: N33 30.4672	W078 40.4740 W078 40.2266	9 fms 11 fms	May 2023
#2	2200 ft	Start: N32 55.2576 End: N32 55.0455	W077 39.7931 W077 39.4557	134 fms 138 fms	February 20, 2023

We kindly request that ships and fishing vessels keep a distance of at least **1 nm** from the cable installation vessel to ensure safe operations. We also kindly request that any set or drift gear, such as **longlines, gillnets, and pots/traps** be moved off the route by a distance of **1/2 nm on either side** at the locations and during these periods noted above in order to avoid gear entanglement.

Once installed, the cable will be buried below the seabed so as not to impact fishing during its lifetime. Operations will be conducted along the planned route, as included, and depicted within the attached flyer, route position list.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for further information and regarding the updated schedule so you can plan your gear moves. **Please forward this message to anyone who may be impacted.** We greatly appreciate your assistance and cooperation during these operations.

The cable installation is in Federal Waters and is authorized by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Permit Number [SAC-2021-01124]. Notice-To-Mariners will be issued by the US Coast Guard.

Please contact Kayla Page +1 603 686 4873 kpage@subcom.com for further details.

We appreciate your cooperation.

Vessel Name: CS DURABLE
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