

CVOW-C MARINER UPDATE 2023 #2: 01-MAR-2023



Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Survey Work Continues Into 2023

The UXO Survey within the export cable corridor (Areas A & B) is complete, and the survey within the CVOW-C lease (Area C) is expected to continue through April 2023. The survey vessels operate on a 24/7 basis within the area identified below. We remain committed to maintaining communications with fishing communities and other mariners in the area via these periodic updates, informational speaking engagements and dock visits. The information is also posted on the [CVOW Website](#). Mariners are encouraged to contact Dominion Energy's Fisheries Liaisons with any specific questions about CVOW project activities in relation to fisheries.

Mariners transiting or fishing in the survey area are requested to give a wide berth to survey vessels which may be limited in their ability to maneuver, towing gear up to 1,000' behind the vessel. Mariners should operate in a manner that will not endanger themselves, the survey vessel or its equipment – a 0.5 NM clearance is requested.

For the period from 01-MAR-2023 through 31-MAR-2023 survey operations will be conducted primarily within a Survey Area shown below, ~25 nautical miles east of Cape Henry, bounded by the following:

- North boundary 37° 00.7'N
- East boundary 75° 12.0'W
- South boundary 36° 49.0'N
- West (short) boundary 75° 29.0'W
- Mid-Latitude Boundary 36° 52.3'N
- West boundary 75° 21.4'W

CVOW and Other Offshore Wind Projects Protecting Whales

Over the last few months, four dead whales have been discovered along the Virginia coast, including one critically endangered North Atlantic right whale (NARW). While these deaths are tragic, they are not related to CVOW. We encourage you all to find out more about the Unusual Mortality Events that have impacted [Humpbacks since 2016](#) and [the NARW since 2017](#). We also encourage all mariners to follow the lead of the Offshore Wind industry in taking reasonable, responsible actions to help protect large whales along our coast.

For additional information, please follow the below links and/or contact our Marine Affairs team.

- [North Atlantic Right Whale Unusual Mortality Events Factsheet](#)
- [North Atlantic Right Whale Updates | NOAA Fisheries](#)
- [Compliance Guide for Right Whale Ship Strike Reduction Rule | NOAA Fisheries](#)
- [Frequent Questions—Offshore Wind and Whales | NOAA Fisheries](#)
- [Offshore Wind Activities and Marine Mammal Protection](#)

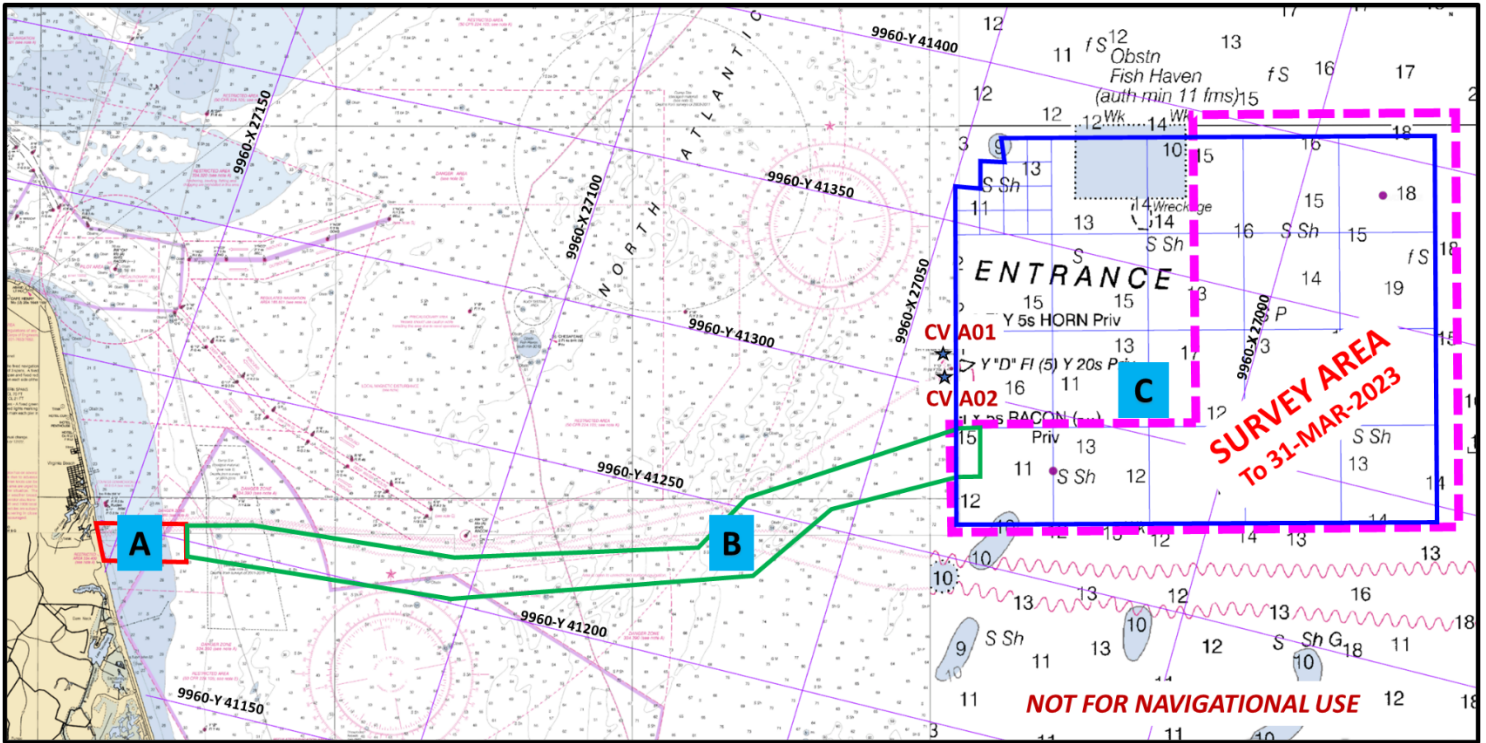
Existing Offshore Turbines

The two (2) CVOW Pilot Project (CVOW-P) turbines have been operational since October 2020; the GPS positions of the turbines are given below. Fishermen are allowed to fish close to the turbines but coming into contact with them is prohibited. Mariners are also advised to be mindful of maintenance vessels that may need to access the turbines. We request that you make way for them so that they can safely access their work site.

Item	Latitude (DD MM.mmm)	Longitude (DD MM.mmm)
Pilot Turbine CV-A01	36° 53.778' N	75° 29.498' W
Pilot Turbine CV-A02	36° 53.210' N	75° 29.495' W

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Chart reflects planned UXO Survey Areas (A, B & C)



Vessels are requested to avoid anchoring in the identified survey area and fishing vessels deploying fixed fishing gear (e.g., pots, traps, gillnets, etc.) are requested to coordinate activities with the Fisheries Liaison to avoid damage to fishing gear and/or the survey equipment.

Please consult the [USCG 5th District Local Notice to Mariners](#) for additional information on offshore activity and, as always, please adhere to the USCG Rules of the Road for mariners: <https://www.dco.uscg.mil/NavRules/>

Minerva Uno: 155' LOA; 30' Beam

- Call Sign: IZVM
- Flag: Marshall Is.
- MMSI: 247080700
- IMO: 9262077



Shearwater: 110' LOA; 39' Beam

- Call Sign: WDF5838
- Flag: USA
- MMSI: 368528000
- IMO: 8993966



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Additional project information is available on the Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind project webpage (www.coastalvawind.com)