

NOTICE TO MARINERS M36 of 2020

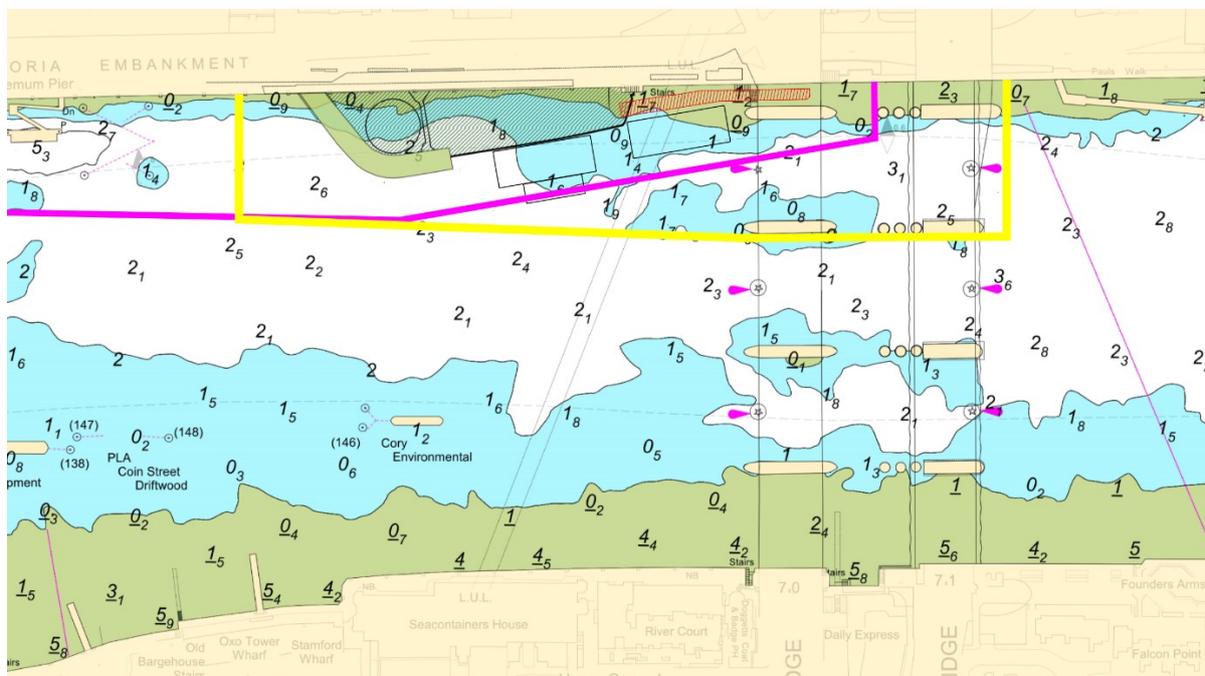
KINGS REACH BLACKFRIARS CULVERT FLOAT OUT

On Sunday 30th August 2020, Mariners are advised that contractors working on the Tideway Tunnel Project will be floating a large reinforced concrete culvert (c.100m long) into position from its construction location within the Blackfriars cofferdam, downstream into its final position under No 1 arch of Blackfriars Bridge. The culvert will be winched and controlled by wires.

An initial float operation to bring the culvert partially out from the cofferdam will be undertaken on the morning high tide of the 30th August between 1030 and 1500. The main float out into final position will be undertaken on the following high tide (night of the 30th August) between the hours of 22:00hrs and 07:00hrs 31st August.

Mariners are advised that should the float out operation not be completed on the night of the 30th August, contractors will attempt to complete the operation on the following high tides on the nights of 31st August, 1st September, 2nd September, 3th September or the 4th September.

Please see the chartlet below depicting the location of the construction works generally and the concrete culvert (hatched red) in its final position, post float out operation.



The most critical part of the operations will be wash when taking the ground twice and when fleeing. A harbour service launch will be in attendance exhibiting a flashing blue light to enforce the minimum of wash into the site at these times. This enforcement may include the requirement to direct vessels through no 4 arch of Blackfriars Bridges where appropriate.

The harbour service launch call sign prefix Thames Patrol will maintain watch on VHF channel 14.

All vessels are to navigate in the area with caution, maintaining a continuous watch on VHF Channel 14.

Further details will be broadcast by **London VTS** on **VHF Channel 14**.

24th August 2020

Port of London Authority
London River House, Royal Pier Road,
Gravesend, Kent DA12 2BG

**Sarah Macleod - Acting
Harbour Master Upper**



EXPIRY DATE: 10th September 2020
TO RECEIVE FUTURE NOTICES TO MARINERS BY **E-MAIL**,
PLEASE REGISTER VIA OUR WEBSITE www.pla.co.uk
**Telephone calls, VHF radio traffic, CCTV and radar traffic images may
be recorded in the VTS Centres at Gravesend and Woolwich**
All Current Notices to Mariners can be found here -
<http://www.pla.co.uk/Safety/Regulations-and-Guidance/Notices-to-Mariners/Notices-to-Mariners>



PORT OF LONDON
AUTHORITY