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#### **Dredge Permit 2022 - Flexible Permit Conditions (1)**

#### **South America Dredge Mussel Fishery**

- 1. Fishing is permitted between **15**<sup>th</sup> **September and 7**<sup>th</sup> **October 2022**.
- 2. The **permitted dredge mussel fishing area** is the area enclosed by a straight line connecting points A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I in order, and returning to point A, and illustrated in the map at Annex A.

|       | Latitude          | Longitude         | Latitude (degrees, | Longitude (degrees, |
|-------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Point | (decimal degrees) | (decimal degrees) | decimal minutes)   | decimal minutes)    |
| Α     | 54.054287         | -3.105214         | 54° 3.257" N       | 3° 6.312" W         |
| В     | 54.053953         | -3.105913         | 54° 3.237'' N      | 3° 6.354" W         |
| С     | 54.054090         | -3.107429         | 54° 3.245" N       | 2° 6.445" W         |
| D     | 54.053653         | -3.107791         | 54° 3.219" N       | 2° 6.467" W         |
| E     | 54.052866         | -3.107694         | 54° 3.171" N       | 2° 6.461" W         |
| F     | 54.052418         | -3.106902         | 54° 3.145" N       | 2° 6.414" W         |
| G     | 54.052962         | -3.105110         | 54° 3.177" N       | 2° 6.306" W         |

- 3. Fishing by dredge is only permitted for mussels.
- 4. Only dredges which have been previously approved in writing by the Authority can be used. Only approved 'ecodredge' can be used.
- 5. The fisheries is within a Marine Protected Area, as certain conditions have to be met for a seed dredge fishery to be Habitat Regulations Assessment compliant. Should there be evidence that these conditions are no longer met and there is potential for damage to protected features. The fishery will be suspended until further assessment has been carried out.

### **Advisory Notes**

- 1. This permit does not exonerate the holder from any other sea fisheries legislation.
- 2. NWIFCA has the power to withdraw flexible permit conditions at any point should the need arise, subject to the review procedure.
- 3. Any breach of the conditions constitutes a breach of the byelaw.

By Order of the Authority

STEPHEN ATKINS Chief Executive

## Annex A – South America Permitted Mussel Dredge Area 2022

