

# Eastern IFCA Consultation: Wash Interim Measures: Mussel Re-laying Fishery 2023



The 2022 intertidal mussel surveys concluded it would be possible to open a mussel re-laying fishery on certain beds in The Wash.

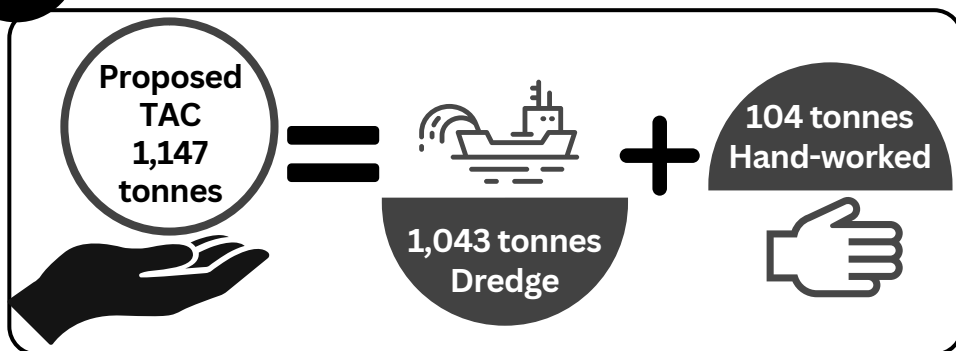


This consultation closes **6th April 2023**.

**WE WANT YOUR  
FEEDBACK**

We would like feedback on proposed management measures relating to the potential fishery.

## 1 Proposed Total Allowable Catch and Maximum Harvestable Per Open Bed



Shellridge	130
Tofts	28
Herring Hill	180
Trial Bank	292
Back of the Wall	507
Skate Run	196
Blackshore	106



Once the TAC for a bed is exhausted - Eastern IFCA will give 12 hours' notice of bed closure

## 2 Other Management Measures



Re-laid into **Wash and North Norfolk Coast SAC** only

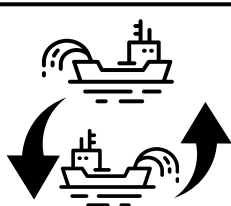


Maximum vessel length  
**14m**



**Inspections:**

- Vessel Hold
- Mussel Dredge



**Transshipping is prohibited**

To open late April/early May



Open at all times until TAC exhausted



**Maximum:**

- 2 dredges
- Inside opening of 1m

## 3 Notifications

**You must:**

- Provide a valid **mobile phone number**
- Notify of **intent to fish** with 12 hours' notice
- Provide **catch return information** no later than 2 hours after high water

**Notification of transport by road**

**Notice of intent**

- Vessel name & PLN
- Mussel bed to fish
- Method of fishing

**Catch return**

- Vessel name & PLN
- Bed fished
- Weight of mussel removed

This is a summary of the key measures. Please refer to the Exemption Conditions in full for more information.