
MMP3: Feasibility of Real-Time Shipboard Cavitation Monitoring and Management

Project Synopsis for CISMART 2020



Project Objective

- MMP3: *Evaluate the operational feasibility and impact on operations (safety, cost, effectiveness) for the Master to take measures to minimize cavitation when operating in at-risk whale species' critical habitat, and evaluate the potential to reduce the vessel's noise contribution to the environment*

Cavitation Monitoring System Uses

- Understand speed vs noise: 10 knot slow-down and noise?
- Reduce cavitation by optimizing loading / trim?
- Measure long-term changes in cavitation as an indication of propeller condition or wake field changes
- Look at differences in URN for different Captains' or operating conditions.

Partner Vessel

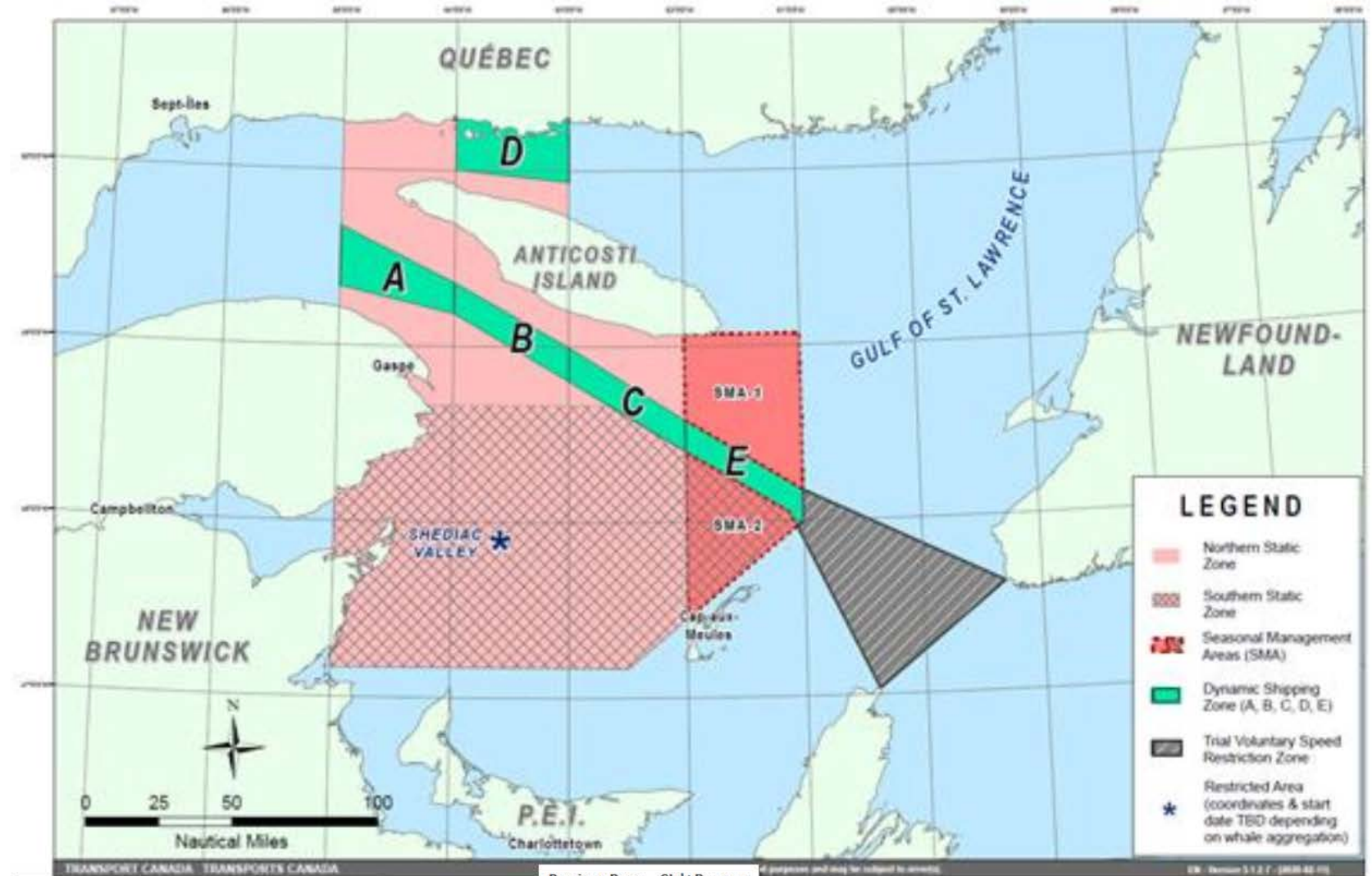
CSL Ferbec

- Handymax
- Single-prop, fixed pitch
- 187.5m, 49500 dwt
- Cruising speed 12.3-13.1 knots
- 20-40 Passages planned for 2021 Sorel ↔ Havre St. Pierre

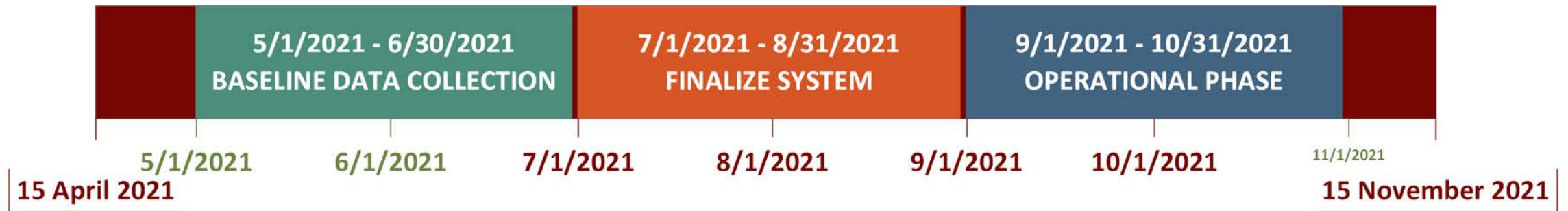


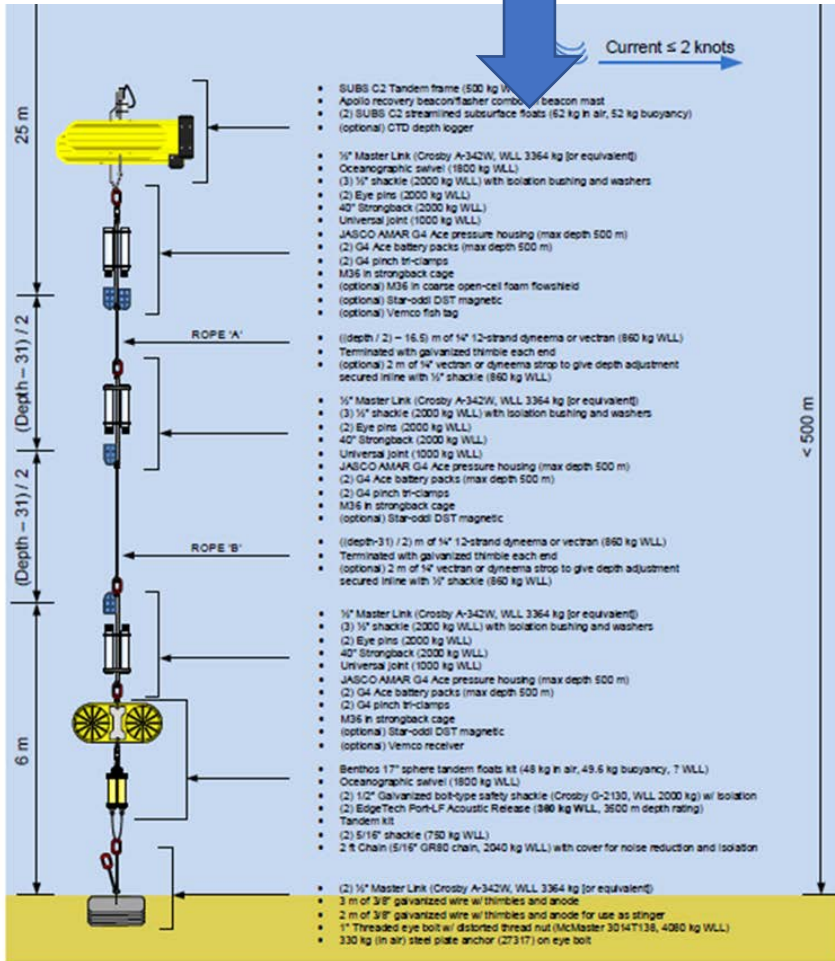
Ferbec Operating Constraints

As per CSL's policy to protect the North Atlantic Right Whales, the Ferbec is sailing at 10 knots in all static and dynamic management areas at all times between April and November.



System Development & Evaluation





- Collect data off Baie Comeau and on vessel.
- ISO 17208-1/2 Compliant source level measurements
- Multiple speeds, speed stable for 10 min per passage.
- ~10 passage laden, ~10 passages in ballast.
- Ballast changes after Les Escoumis
- Ballast measurement mooring will be bottom only

5/1/2021 - 6/30/2021
BASELINE DATA COLLECTION

7/1/2021 - 8/31/2021
FINALIZE SYSTEM

9/1/2021 - 10/31/2021
OPERATIONAL PHASE

15 April 2021

5/1/2021

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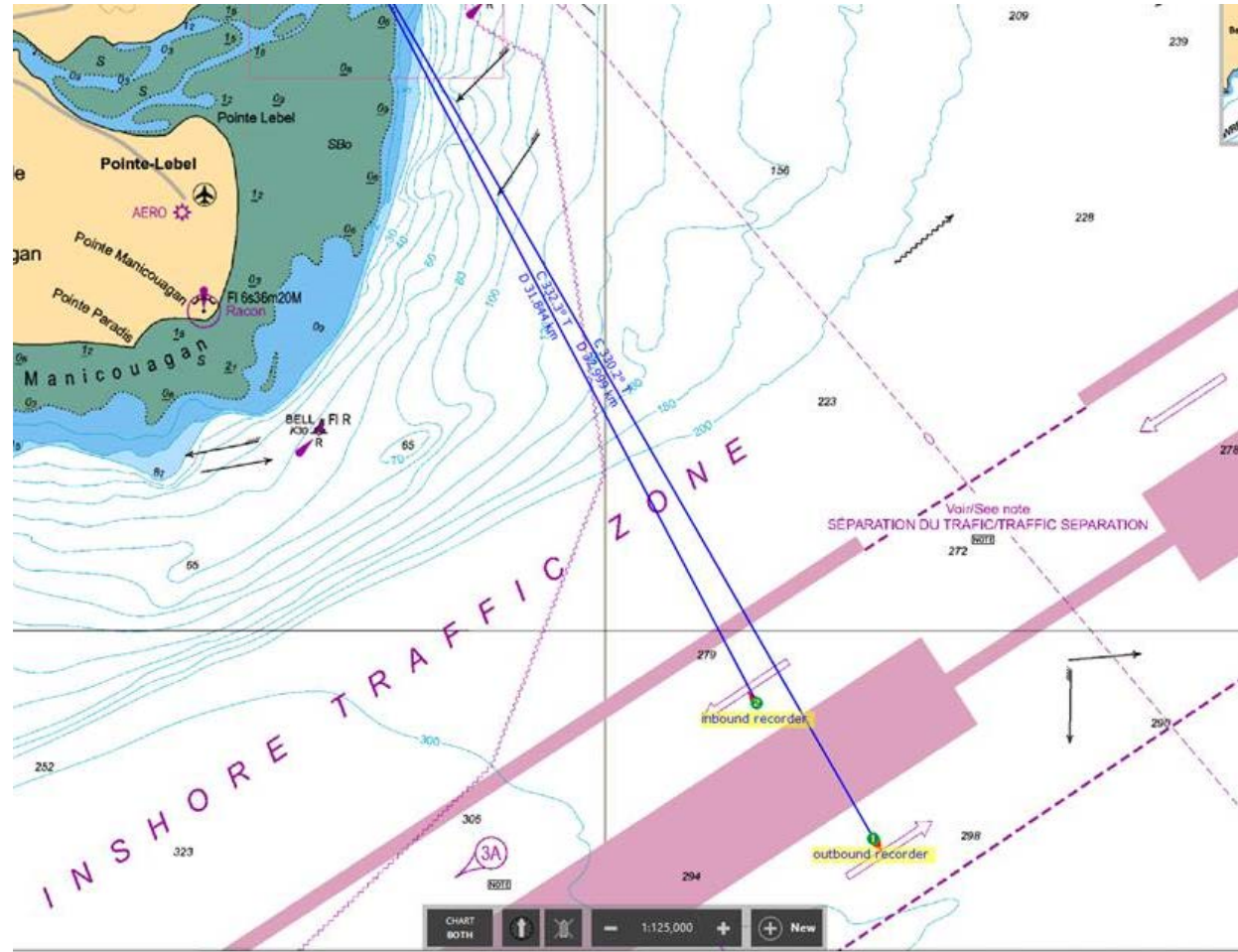
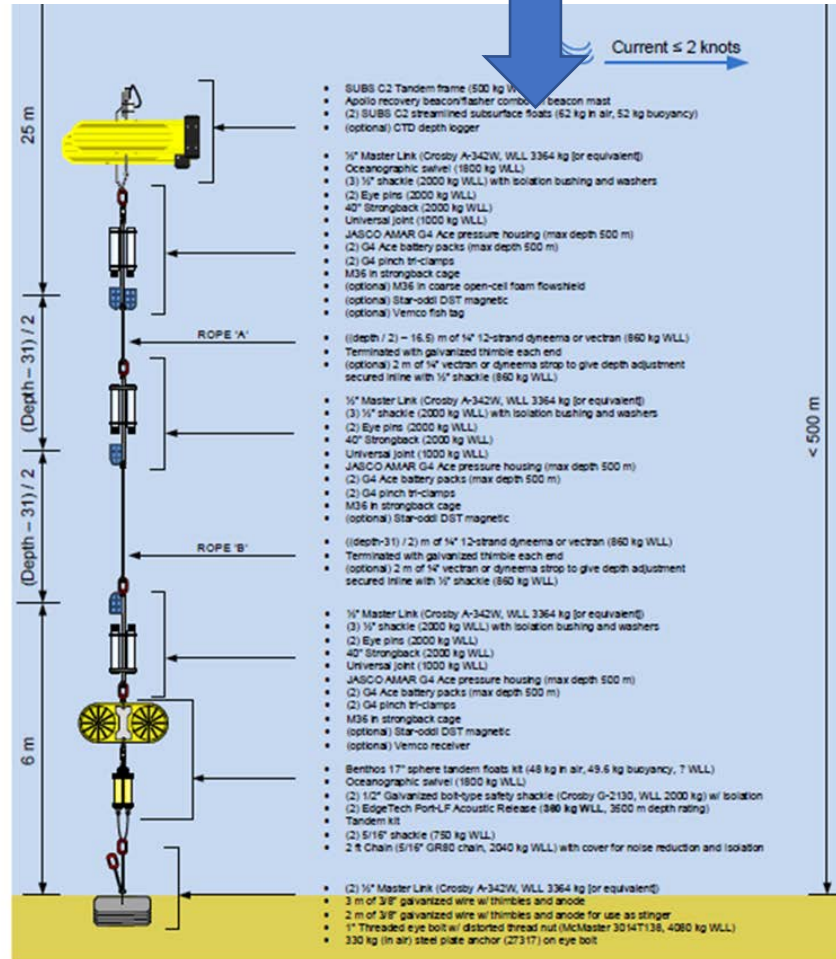
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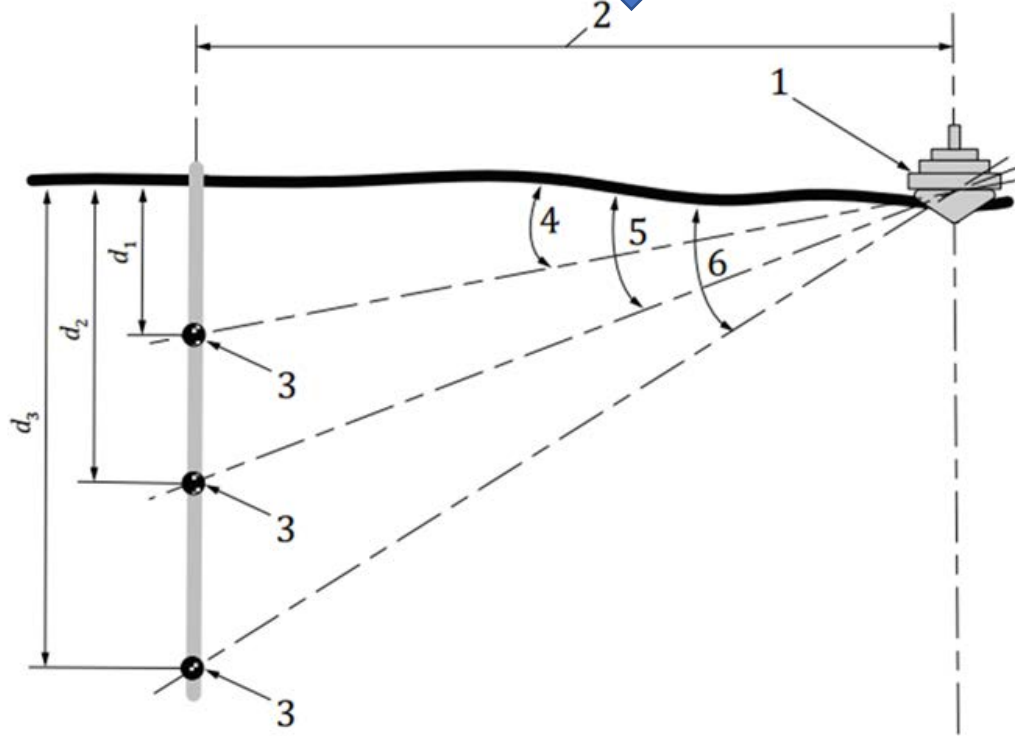
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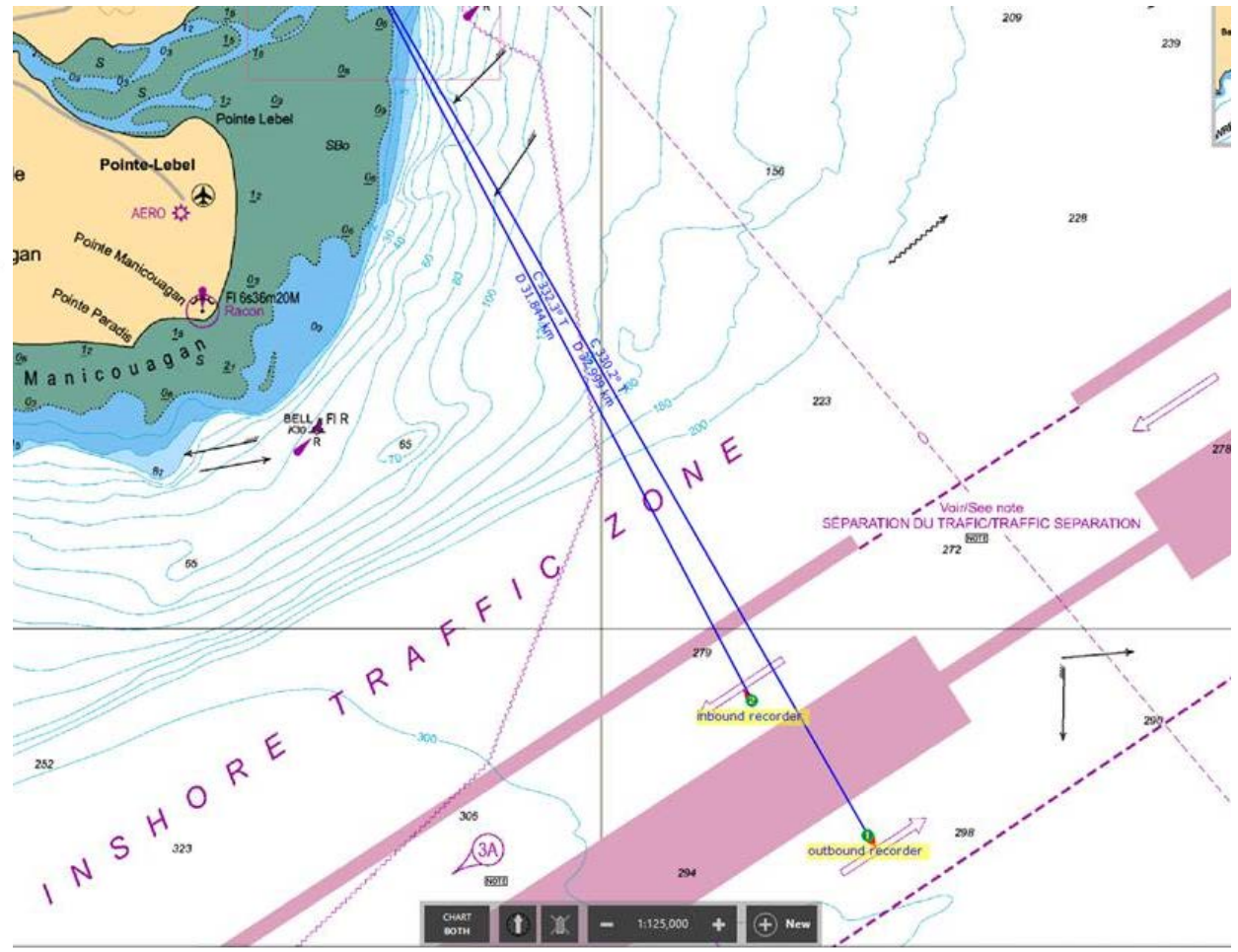




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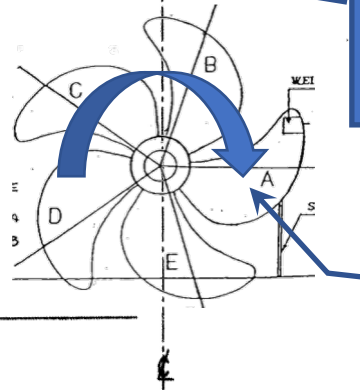
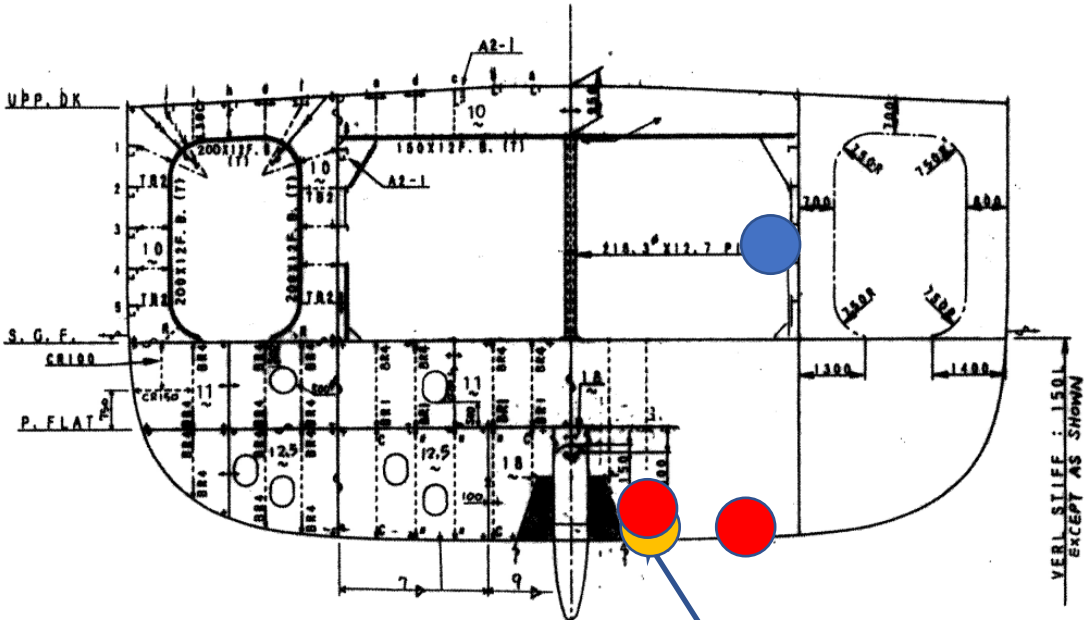
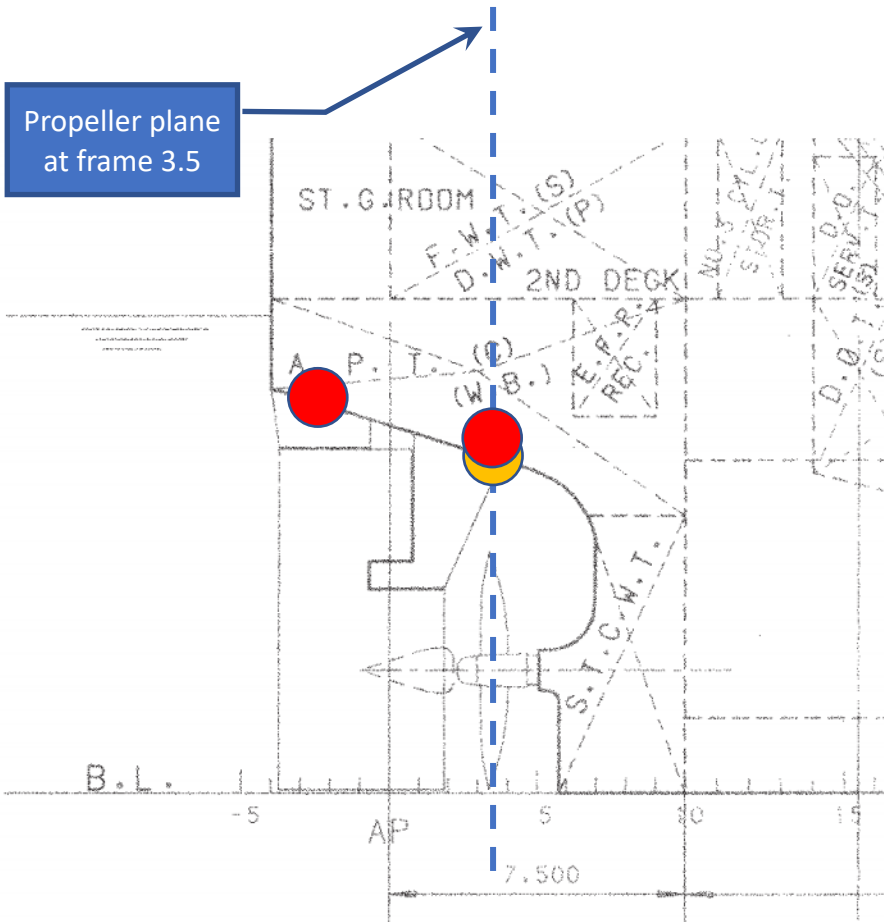
Continuous recording at 128 kHz



Data Collection – On Ferbec

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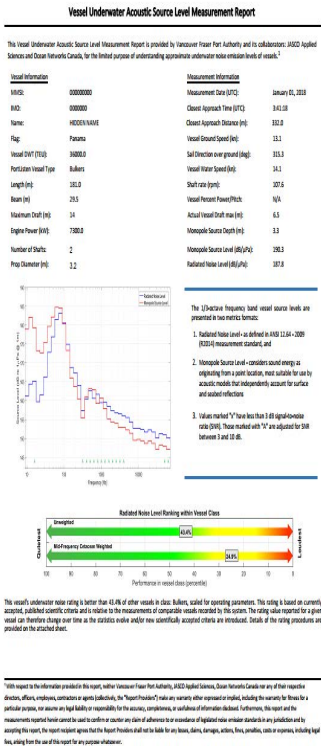
Propeller plane at frame 3.5



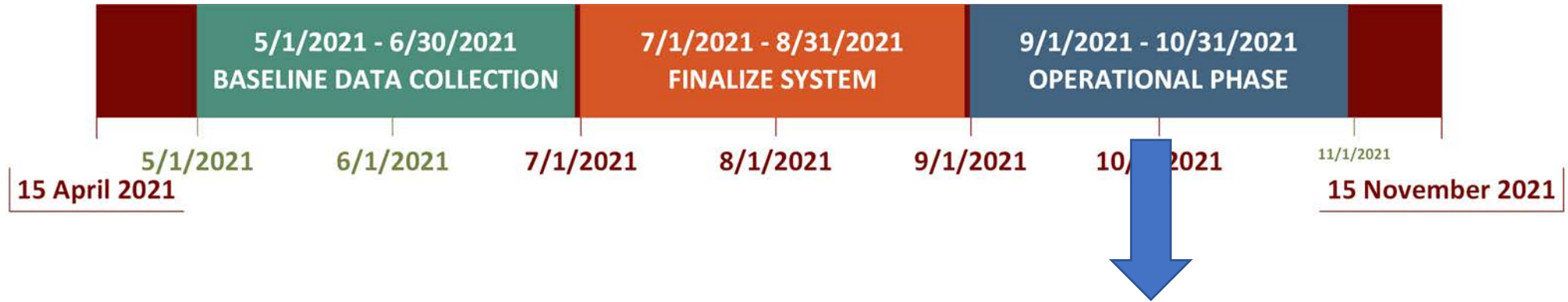
Location for transducer on STB side

Propeller sense of rotation

- Red: pressure transducer
- Orange: pressure + accelerometer
- Blue: Data Collection computer in steering gear compartment



- From in-water: Compute monopole SL & RNL vs speed
- From Ferbec: how to interpret pressure and accelerometer signals to detect cavitation onset
- Combined: Predict URN from pressure & accelerometer data
- Determine relationship between cavitation and speed
 - Determine relationship with trim and draft if possible



- Install system on Ferbec
- Obtain feedback from CSL and Captain's on operational utility.

