

Report Title: Project Report - Planning and Development

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Area Report - Free text: Marine Licence report no. 48.

[Please find my monthly report on Marine Licence Applications at this link.](#) There was only one application this month for work in the Solent, on Lymington River. There was also an application, not yet decided, on Studland bay eco-moorings. Although Studland Bay is not in the Solent I included it because eco-moorings are of interest to us.

The eco-moorings proposed consist of a helical anchor rod which is screwed into the seabed by divers (manually or using hydraulic drivers). The top of the rod is just above the seabed and is connected to a buoyed riser. This keeps the mooring off the seabed and eliminates bed scour. As the mooring is fixed to the seabed there is no dragging of the mooring.

Such eco-moorings are widely used around the world with the specific purpose to protect the marina habitat.

I am grateful to Gerard for sending me information about three other applications which are not yet on the Public register (RYA gets this information in advance). The first is application 00485 on Oyster restoration sites, which I circulated on 4 Feb. It did not trigger any comments from council members. A summary is now included in this report.

The second , 00527, is on re-arrangement of pontoons in Wooton Creek, IoW, which I think can wait until the next report.

The third , 00529, concerns a project for Subhub Tidal Platform and Turbine Performance Trials north of Yarmouth, between Black Rock and Sconce buoys, which is also included in this report no. 48.

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