

FIELD REPORT REVISED

Project Name: Cape Wind – SSCS Installation

OCC Project No.: 203082

Date: 25 May 2006

Personnel: John Bazzoni – OCC

Bryan Jones - OCC

4-person dive team from Fathom Solutions

Boat Captain - Patriot Party Boats

Vessel: Patriot Too (50' crew boat)

Equipment: Surface-Supplied Dive Station (including compressor, umbilicals

(2), Desco dive helmets (2), and dive control box), hydraulic power unit and hoses, Stanley BR-45 underwater hydraulic breakers (2), spigot holders and rods, VideoRay Pro III Remotely Operated Professional Submersible (ROV) with DVD recording system.

Materials: Type 12 Seabed Scour Control Mats (4) as manufactured by

Seabed Scour Control Systems (SSCS)

Dock: Town Dock in Falmouth, MA

Departure Time: 0630

Return Time: 1505

Weather: Mostly sunny, high appx. 60°F, wind appx 5 kts, 1-3' seas, water

temp appx 56°F. Underwater visibility approximately 10'

Site Location: Scientific Measurements Devices Station (MT) in Nantucket Sound

Geographic Coordinates (NAD 83)

Latitude 41° 28.306' Longitude 70° 18.857'

Observations:

OCC and Fathom Solutions loaded gear onto the *Patriot Too*. The crew left the dock in Falmouth at 0630 and arrived at the work site at 0755. Upon arrival at the work site, the crew proceeded to anchor the vessel in position for the installation using a two point mooring with

the stern tied-off to the Southeast pile and an anchor set off the bow. Fathom Solutions set-up the dive station and hydraulic equipment while OCC set-up the ROV equipment.

At approximately 1000, after donning dive gear, Fathom Solutions divers (2) entered the water and scoped out the work location.

The Fathom divers then proceeded to install the four (4) new mats at the seabed surrounding the Southeast pile. Mats are standard Type 12 SSCS mats with the following modifications:

Mat No. 1

Standard Type 12 mat but with short frond lines of 0.625m plus attachment of tie-wraps at all points on the mat where the frond lines are attached to the perimeter webbing.

Mat No. 2

Standard Type 12 mat but with a higher density of short frondlines of 0.625m and the loop attachment replaced with a 6 tonne b/strain webbing loop plus tie-wraps.

Mat No. 3

Standard Type 12 mat but with all frond lines being made of 2 tonne b/strain webbing instead of the usual 1.4 tonne webbing.

Mat No. 4

Standard Type 12 mat made entirely with the 6 tonne webbing.

The attached layout drawing No. 5465.02 illustrates the positioning of the mats relative to the Southeast pile.

After installation of the mats and deployment of the fronds, the Fathom divers replaced the existing nylon ratchet straps on the Southeast and Southwest piles with new, wider nylon ratchet straps. The straps were placed at the same location as the existing straps. A strap was also placed on the North pile.

Scour of the seabed was evident at each of the three supporting piles. Two existing mats are located at the base of the Southwest pile. Portions of the nylon webbing that comprise the existing mats were exposed above the seabed. The fronds appear to have separated longitudinally into many fronds of smaller width, however the fronds appear to be firmly attached to the mat webbing.

Measurements were taken between strap and the seabed at each pile. A tabulation of the current readings including prior readings is listed below:

	10/13/2003	6/13/2004	6/3/2005	5/25/2006
Southwest Pile	48"	43"	36"	36"
Southeast Pile	48"	72"	61"	55"
North Pile				47"

The ROV was used to document the seabed conditions at the site. Results were recorded onto a mini-DVD camcorder. Due to the good underwater visibility, the ROV was able to clearly record the seabed conditions. During ebb tide, it was difficult to control the ROV due to the swift currents. Once the current became a problem and after installation of the four new mats, the ROV was held and guided by one of the divers while he swam around the site and recorded video. The photographs attached to this report were captured from the underwater video.

After doffing the dive gear and securing the equipment, the *Patriot Too* pulled anchor at approximately 1330 and made her way to port. The *Patriot Too* arrived at the Town dock in Falmouth at approximately 1505 whereby all equipment was promptly off-loaded. The OCC and Fathom Solutions crew then de-mobilized from the dock and headed for home.

Conclusions:

The measurements indicate a net accretion of twelve inches at the Southwest pile and a net scour of seven inches at the Southeast pile. The findings indicate that, despite the condition of the mats on the Southwest pile, the existing mats appear to be helping to prevent scour at this location.

Recommendations:

Continue monitoring of the seabed and mat conditions. A follow-up investigation should be undertaken in the Spring of 2007.

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Attachments:

Photographs SSCS Installation Drawing Tide Graph for 25 May 2006 Current Graph for 25 May 2006



1. View of the MT from the deck of Patriot Too



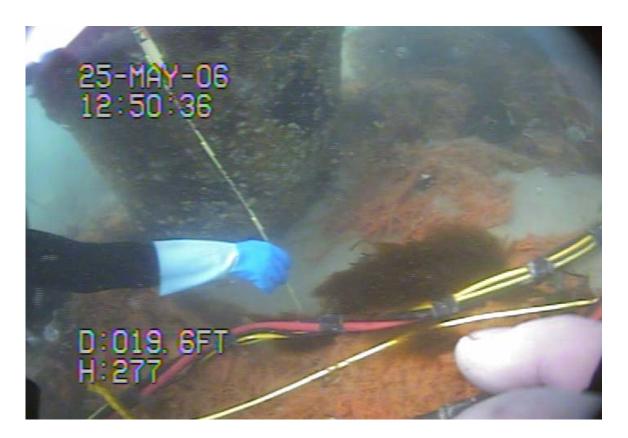
2. Newly installed mats at base of Southeast pile



3. Installing ratchet strap on Southeast pile



4. Bottom conditions at base of North pile



5. Existing mats at base of Southwest pile



6. Newly installed mats at base of Southeast pile



7. Newly installed mats at base of Southeast pile, Southeast pile in background



8. Existing mats at base of Southwest pile



9. Existing mats at base of Southwest pile, Southwest pile in background



10. Existing mats at base of Southwest pile, Southwest pile in background



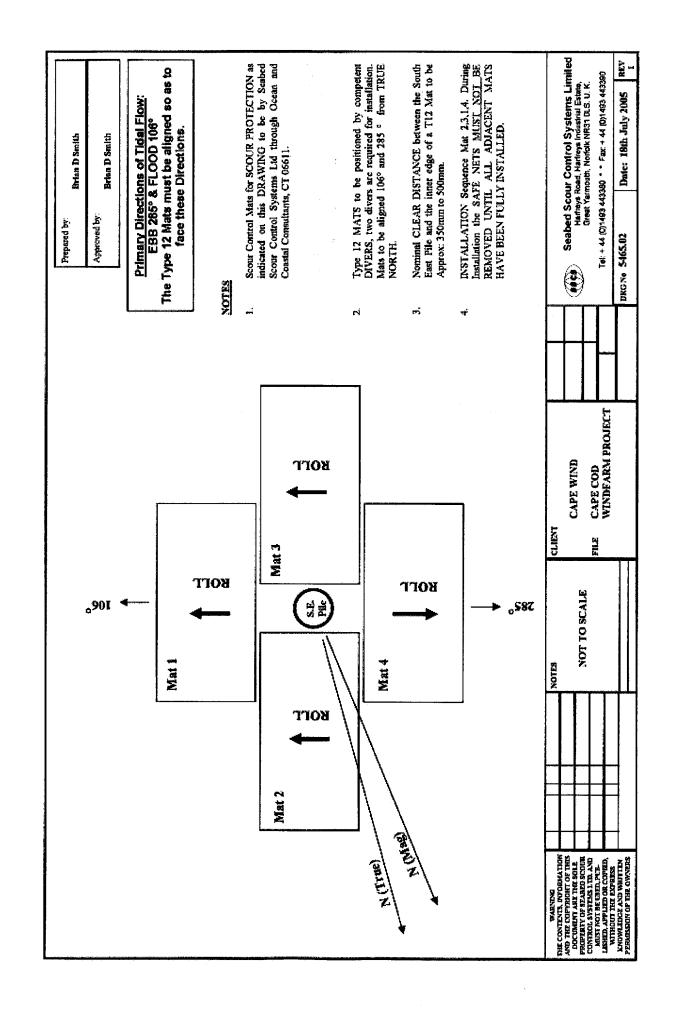
12. Mat on bottom ready for installation and scour at base of Southeast pile



13. Mat on bottom ready for installation and scour at base of Southeast pile



14. Scour at base of North pile



Tides:Hyannis Port

based on Boston, Massachusetts (NOAA) 41° 38 N 70° 18 W

Thursday, May 25, 2006

Daily Highs & Lows 04:42 -0.2 ft Low 11:27 3.2 ft High 16:54 0.0 ft Low 23:41 3.7 ft High



Mean Tide:

Mean Range:

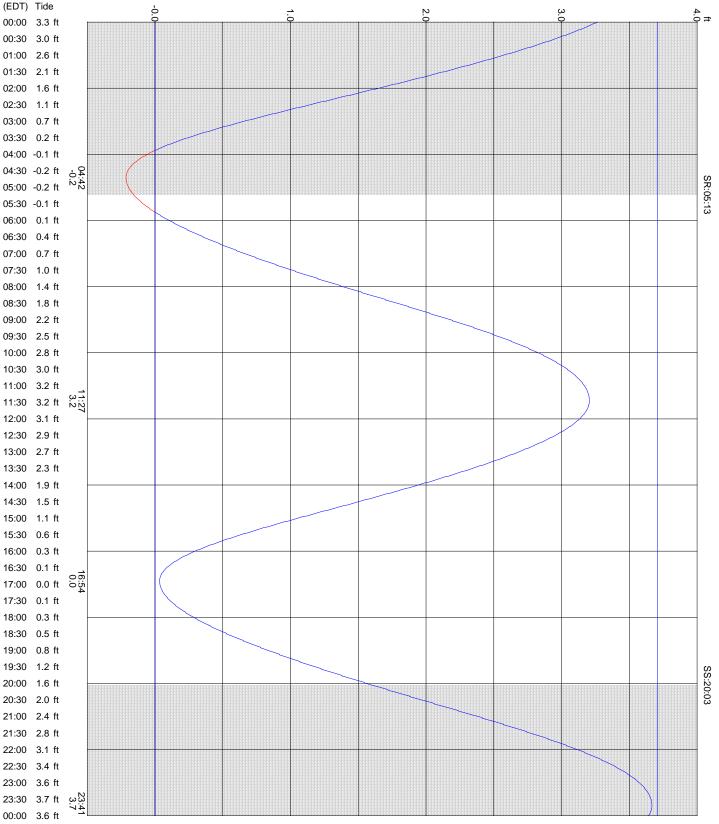
Average Tides

MHWS

3.1 ft

3.7 ft

1.6 ft



Currents:Broken Ground-Horseshoe Shoal, between

based on Pollock Rip Channel (Butler Hole), Massachusetts (NOAA)

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Slack Max Flood & Ebb 00:16 0.9 kt 276° ebb 03:48 07:28 1.1 kt 107° fld 09:52 12:46 0.9 kt 276° ebb 16:16 19:51 1.0 kt 107° fld 22:09

