

Searcher 12/1/048 Reconnaissance Permit Impact Assessment Matrix

Impact	Phase	Pre-Mitigation						Post Mitigation						Priority Factor Criteria						
		Nature	Extent	Duration	Magnitude	Reversibility	Probability	Pre-mitigation ER	Nature	Extent	Duration	Magnitude	Reversibility	Probability	Post-mitigation ER	Confidence	Cumulative Impact	Irreplaceable loss	Priority Factor	Final score
Impacts of seismic noise on mysticetes and odontocetes	Operation	-1	4	1	4	1	4	-10	-1	4	1	3	1	2	-4.5	High	2	1	1.13	-5.0625
Impacts of seismic noise on seals	Operation	-1	4	1	4	1	1	-2.5	-1	4	1	3	1	1	-2.25	High	1	1	1.00	-2.25
Impacts of seismic noise on turtles	Operation	-1	4	1	4	1	3	-7.5	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	High	1	1	1.00	-4
Impacts of seismic noise on diving seabirds	Operation	-1	4	1	3	1	3	-6.75	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	High	1	1	1.00	-4
Impacts of seismic noise to pelagic fish	Operation	-1	4	1	4	1	3	-7.5	-1	4	1	3	1	2	-4.5	High	2	1	1.13	-5.0625
Impacts of seismic noise to marine invertebrates	Operation	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	-1	4	1	1	1	1	-1.75	High	1	1	1.00	-1.75
Impacts of seismic noise to plankton and ichthyoplankton	Operation	-1	4	1	3	1	2	-4.5	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	High	1	1	1.00	-4
Disturbance and behavioural changes in seabirds, seals, turtles and cetaceans due to vessel noise	Operation	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	High	2	1	1.13	-4.5
Disturbance and behavioural changes in seabirds, seals, turtles and cetaceans due to noise of support aircraft	Operation	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	High	2	1	1.13	-4.5
Disturbance and behavioural changes in pelagic fauna due to vessel lighting	Operation	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	-1	4	1	1	1	2	-3.5	High	1	1	1.00	-3.5
Impacts of marine biodiversity through the introduction of non-native species in ballast water and on ship hulls	Operation	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	-1	4	1	2	1	2	-4	High	1	1	1.00	-4
Impacts of normal vessel discharges on marine fauna	Operation	-1	4	1	1	1	3	-5.25	-1	4	1	1	1	3	-5.25	High	1	1	1.00	-5.25
Impacts on turtles and cetaceans due to ship strikes, collision and entanglement with towed equipment	Operation	-1	4	1	2	1	1	-2	-1	4	1	1	1	1	-1.75	High	1	1	1.00	-1.75
Impacts on benthic and pelagic fauna due to accidental loss of equipment to the seabed or the water column	Operation	-1	4	1	2	2	1	-2.25	-1	4	1	1	2	1	-2	High	1	1	1.00	-2
Impacts of an operational spill or collision on marine fauna	Operation	-1	4	2	5	3	2	-7	-1	3	1	3	3	2	-5	High	1	1	1.00	-5
Impacts on Cultural Heritage	Operation	-1	4	4	3	3	4	-14	-1	4	3	1	3	3	-8.25	Medium	1	1	1.00	-8.25
Impacts on livelihoods	Operation	-1	4	4	4	3	3	-11.25	-1	4	3	3	3	3	-9.75	Medium	2	3	1.38	-13.40625
Impacts on sense and spirit of place	Operation	-1	4	5	3	3	3	-11.25	-1	4	5	3	3	3	-11.25	Medium	2	3	1.38	-15.46875
Impacts on social licence to operate	Operation	-1	4	4	5	4	5	-21.25	-1	4	2	4	3	4	-13	High	2	2	1.25	-16.25
Community expectations	Operation	-1	4	4	4	3	4	-15	-1	4	2	3	2	4	-11	High	2	3	1.38	-15.125
Social unrest	Operation	-1	4	2	3	3	3	-9	-1	4	2	3	2	3	-8.25	High	2	1	1.13	-9.28125
Uncertainty	Operation	-1	4	3	4	3	5	-17.5	-1	4	2	3	2	4	-11	High	2	2	1.38	-15.125
Stakeholder Fatigue	Operation	-1	4	3	4	3	5	-17.5	-1	4	3	4	3	4	-14	High	2	1	1.13	-15.75
Concerns about cumulative impacts	Operation	-1	4	4	4	3	5	-18.75	-1	4	2	3	2	4	-11	High	3	3	1.50	-16.5
Further marginalization of vulnerable groups	Operation	-1	4	4	4	3	5	-18.75	-1	4	2	3	2	4	-11	High	3	3	1.50	-16.5
Impacts of exclusion from fishing ground on the large pelagic longline sector due to the safety zone around the survey vessel	Operation	-1	4	1	4	1	4	-10	-1	4	1	4	1	3	-7.5	High	2	1	1.13	-8.4375
Impacts of increased ambient sound on the large pelagic longline sector	Operation	-1	4	1	4	1	4	-10	-1	4	1	4	1	3	-7.5	High	2	1	1.13	-8.4375
Impacts of an operational spill on the large pelagic longline sector	Operation	-1	4	2	3	3	1	-3	-1	3	1	2	3	1	-2.25	Medium	1	1	1.00	-2.25
Impacts of the unplanned loss of equipment to sea from the survey vessel	Operation	-1	4	2	2	2	1	-2.5	-1	4	1	1	2	1	-2	High	1	1	1.00	-2