

Ever Changing ULCS

Updating Training, Skills and procedures
for the Worlds largest vessels

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Port Preparations for ULCS

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2016 - 2022

What's Changed

- Increased Traffic density
- Terminal pressure
- Less available water
- Better understanding hydrodynamics
- Our experiences



Route Planning

- Identify conflicting Traffic Early
- Establish No Passing / Controlled passing areas
- Role of VTS ?
- Tidal windows vs speed
- Respect your colleagues and other Port users



One Columba OUTBOUND from LGW 3 Via:

Barrows Princes DW
 Black Deep Princes Fisherman's Gat



Deep Draft Plan Agreed with DPC Draft 15.6 m

		CD	HoT	UKC	HoT Req	Earliest / Latest Times	
LGW 3	27.5 Min	06/06/2022 16:00	14.10	4.47	2.97	3.06	
Tanker Buoy	2.8'	06/06/2022 16:27	12.70	4.72	1.82	4.46	
Sea Reach 7	2.9'	06/06/2022 16:55	12.90	4.83	2.13	4.26	
Sea Reach 5	3.4'	06/06/2022 17:08	14.20	4.83	3.43	2.96	
Sea Reach 3	3.5'	06/06/2022 17:25	13.50	4.77	2.67	3.66	
Sea Reach 1	1.8'	06/06/2022 17:42	14.30	4.63	3.33	2.86	
West Oaze	7.6'	06/06/2022 17:49	14.50	4.61	3.51	2.66	
Knock John 7	2.4'	06/06/2022 18:20					
Knock John 3	3.9'	06/06/2022 18:29	13.60	3.84	1.84	3.56	06/06/2022 19:00 L
Black Deep 9	3.8'	06/06/2022 18:45					
Black Deep Middle 2	2.8'	06/06/2022 19:00	15.30	3.04	2.74	1.86	
Black Deep 5	3.8'	06/06/2022 19:11					
Black Deep Middle 1	4.9'	06/06/2022 19:26	16.40	2.34	3.14	0.76	
Sunk Head Middle	5.5'	06/06/2022 19:46	15.90	1.99	2.29	1.26	06/06/2022 21:10 L
Sunk Inner / Trinity	3.5'	06/06/2022 20:08	16.40	1.66	2.46	0.76	06/06/2022 22:30 L
Sunk Pilots		06/06/2022 20:28	15.90	1.49	1.79	1.26	06/06/2022 20:50 L

MIN UKC Used Flood 1.56m Ebb 1.56m These values are also used at the berth

Weather Forecast: Wind Dir: W Speed: 12.5 Kts Viz: Clear

Abort Contingency:

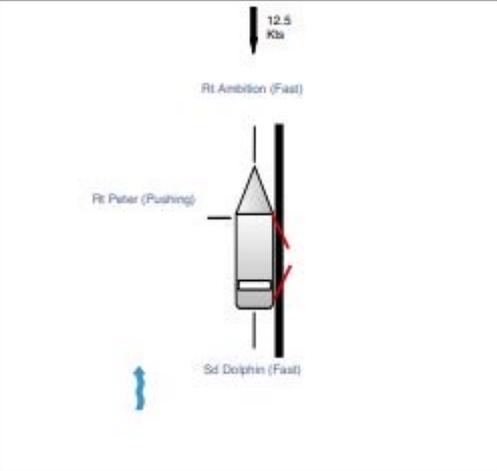
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Pilot card sighted	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ready Berth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Relevant NtMs - Master advised	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Individual roles & actions understood	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Port Side To Stbd Side To
 Head Up Head Down
 Swing to Port Swing to Stbd No Swing

HW Coryton 06/06/2022 17:44 Flood

Windage: 59t @ 15 Kts

Tug Allocation	Type	Bollard Pull	Ship's Restriction
1. Rt Ambition	Rotor	92.1	
2. Rt Peter	Rotor	92	
3. Sd Dolphin	ASD	80.5	
4.			
5.			



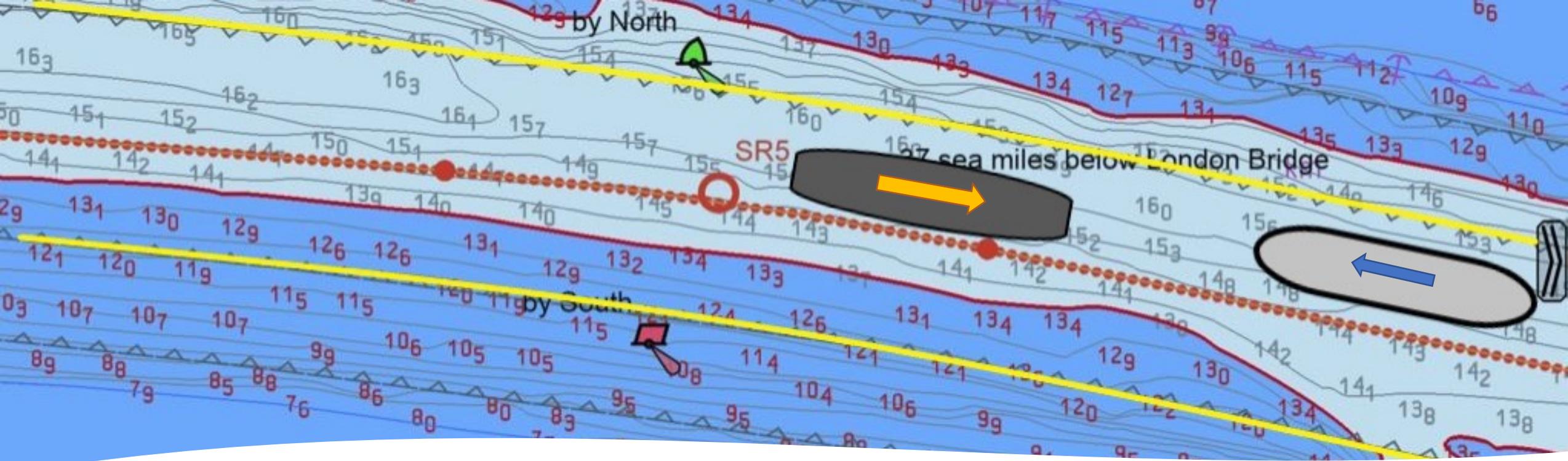
Passage Notes
 Overrides req'd @ SR5 (req centre channel), SR1 - W.Oaze, KJ7 - BD9
 One way working req'd Tanker by, SR5, SR3, SR1 - W.Oaze, KJ7 - BD9
 Significant Traffic - Essen Maersk @ Holehaven, Seychelles Progress off berth @ 1600.
 MSC Domitille @

AGREEMENT

The Passage Plan and all pertinent information concerning the passage has been discussed and agreed by the Master and Pilot and may be subject to change during the passage.

The Master also agrees with and understands the position of a compulsory pilot under UK law.

Pilot's Name N Lee Master's Name
 2nd Pilot's
 Pilot's Signature *N Lee* Master's Signature



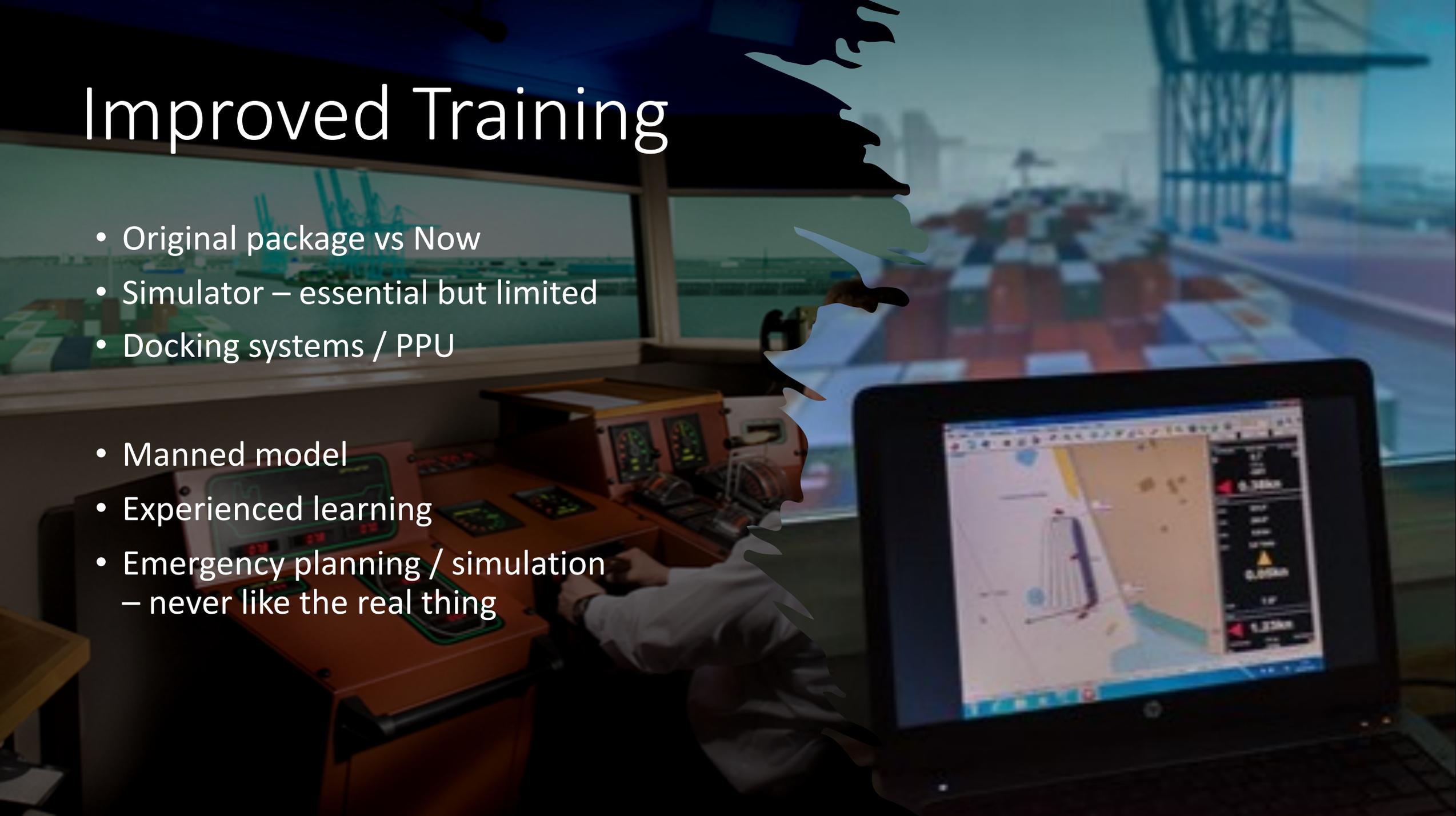
One way working required



Improved Training

- Original package vs Now
- Simulator – essential but limited
- Docking systems / PPU

- Manned model
- Experienced learning
- Emergency planning / simulation
– never like the real thing

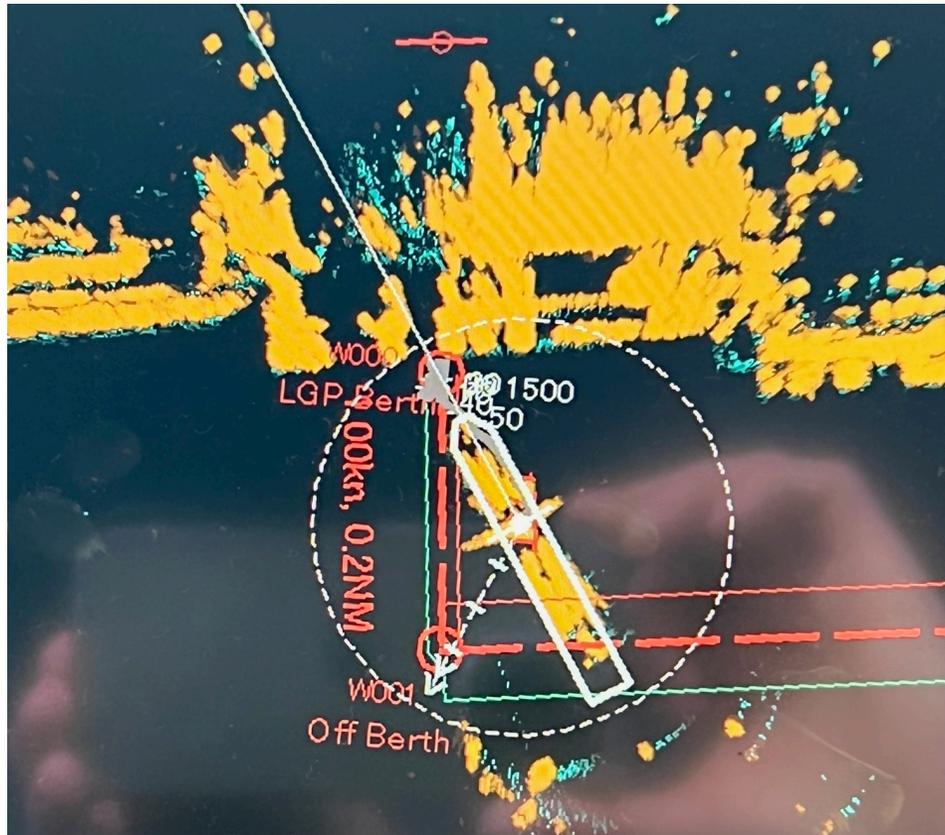


Portable Pilot Units

- Essential equipment ?
- Positioning / setup vital
- It can and **will fail** - at the most inopportune moments
- Have a back up – even if most basic
- Governance



Backing it up



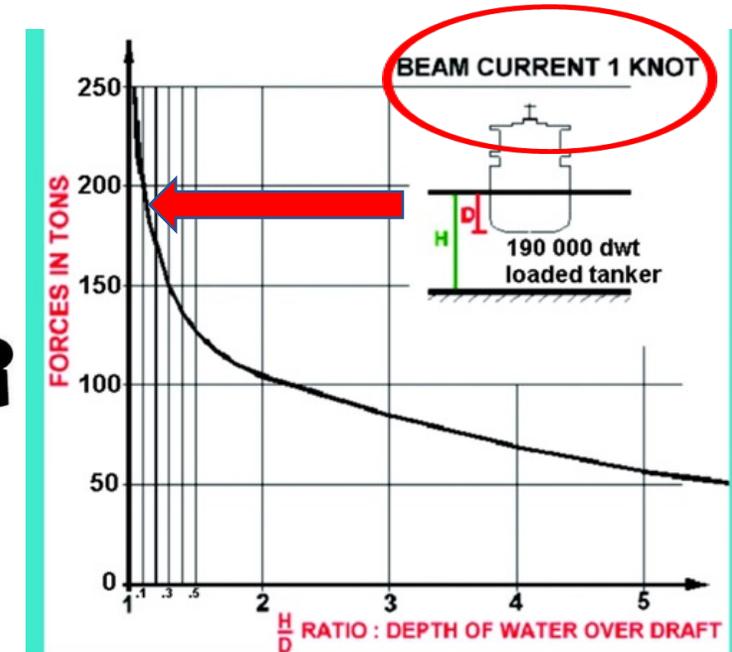
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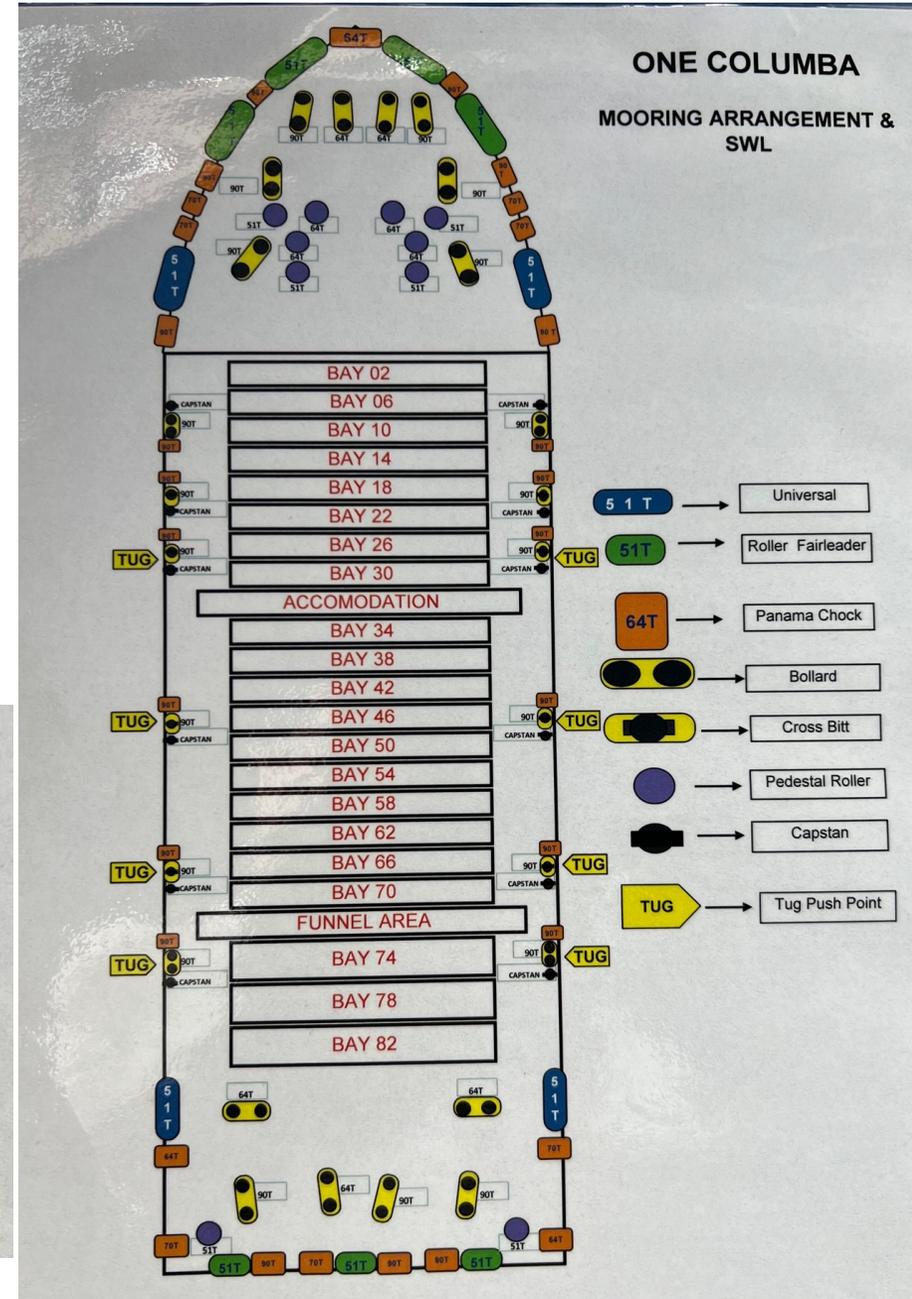
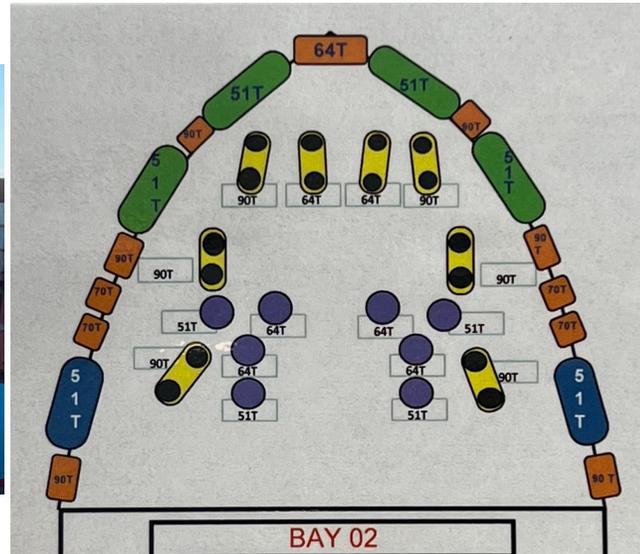
- Hull forms – tug positioning issues
- Understanding Propulsion and Power management
- Manoeuvring aids – thrusters – know your Rudder



Tugs

- Do We Have enough ?!!
- Tug Type – ASD / RT /
- Bollard pull vs position
- Line angle ?
- Tug interaction
- Making fast / letting go considerations = crew / time taken
- Sheep dogging
- Relationship with Tug Masters





Working with the Bridge Team

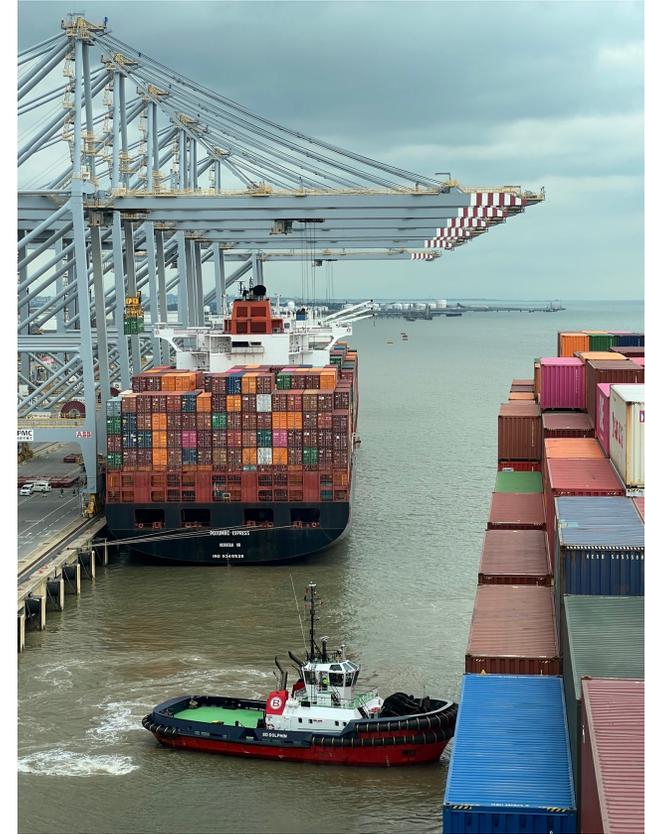
- Fully brief the bridge team - MPX
- Keeping bridge team involved and informed
- Designating roles
- 2 pilot operation – +ve vs –ve
- CMA CGM Centaurus
- BRM



CPD

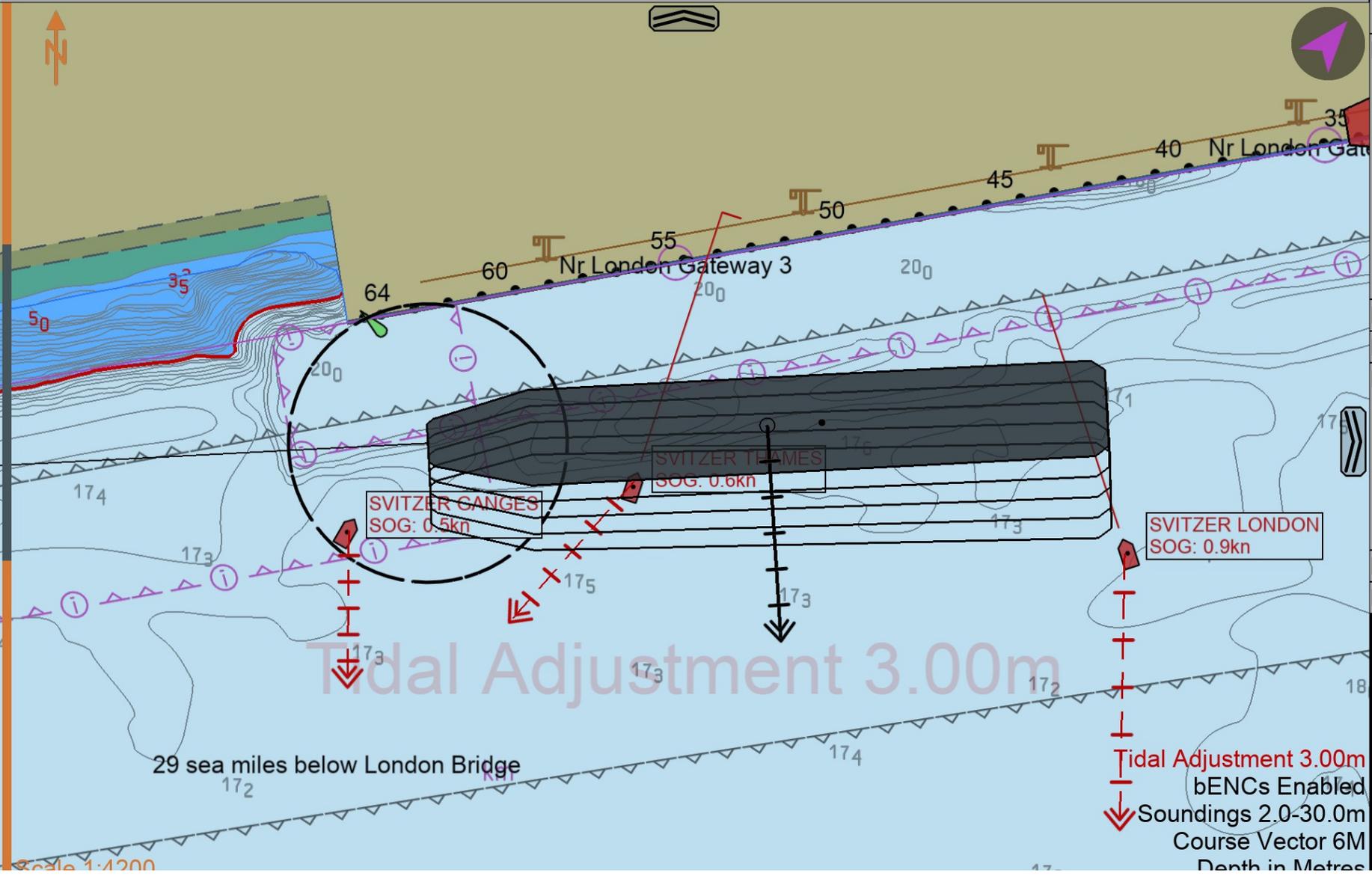
- This is CPD
 - Should be Reflective
 - Keeping up with technology
 - And Vessel design
 - Period
 - Formal vs informal
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Putting it together

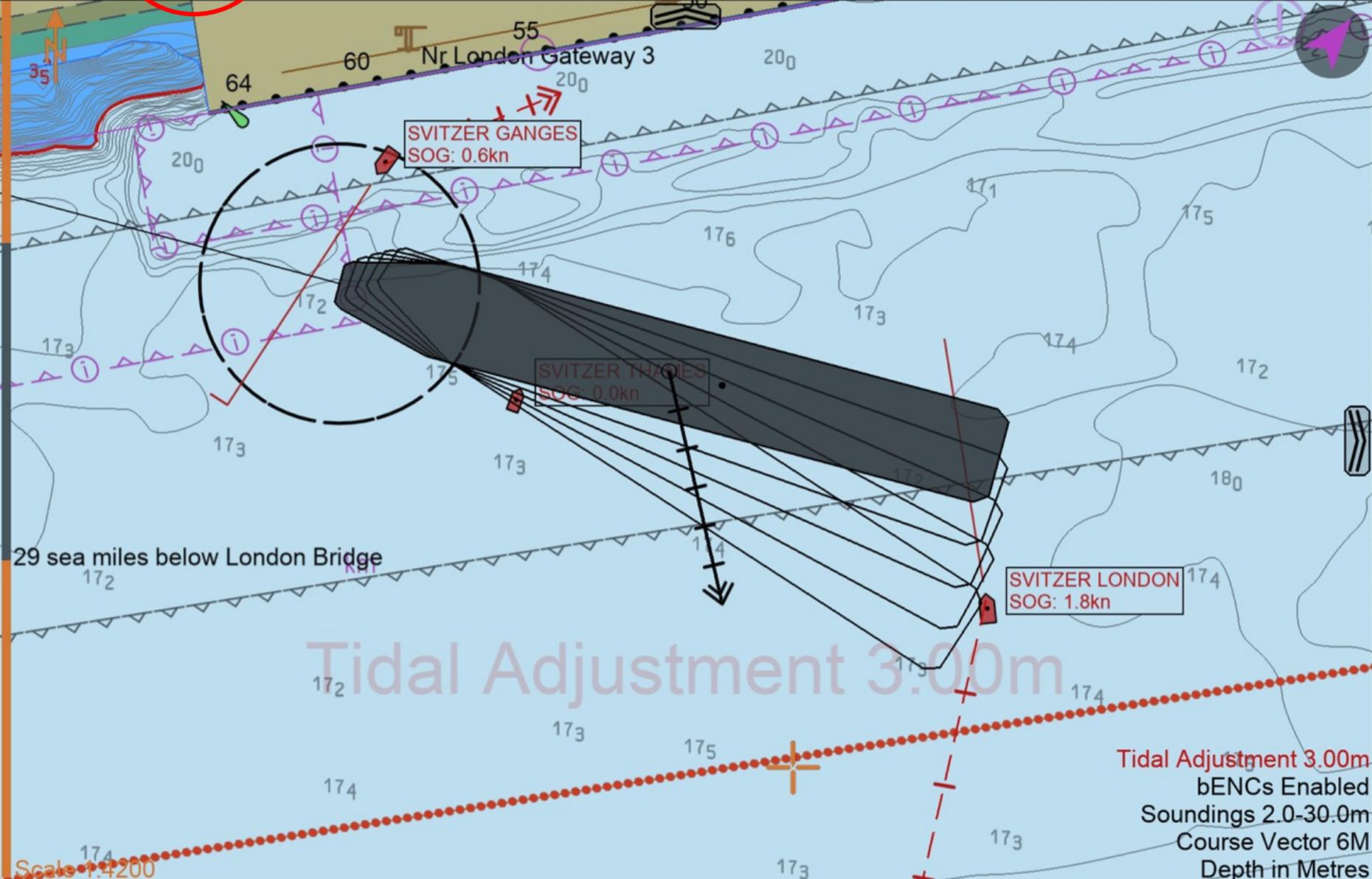
ROT **0.9°**  HDG **267.0°** COG **176.4°** SOG **-0.7**
 Stbd °/m True True Knots



Source		
AD Navigation		
Model	HDG	Battery
ADQ2	NA	83%
Alarms <input type="checkbox"/>		
Navigation Status		
Vessel Motion <input type="checkbox"/>		
Bow	 0.59	
Knots	0.01	
Stern	 0.78	
Cursor <input type="checkbox"/>		
Speed Required		
Own-Ship Water Level <input type="checkbox"/>		
	Prev	Own-Ship
STN	Denton	InterpolateThameshaven
RNG	-5.32NM	0.00NM 0.55NM
Time	1 Min	1 Min 1 Min
LVL	2.96	2.99 2.99
Ref	LCD	LCD LCD
Waypoint		
XTD		

Tidal Adjustment 3.00m
 bENCs Enabled
 Soundings 2.0-30.0m
 Course Vector 6M
 Depth in Metres

ROT **9.0°**  Stbd °/m
 HDG **284.9°** True
 COG **167.2°** True
 SOG **-0.8** Knots



+	Source		
-	AD Navigation		
	Model	HDG	Battery
	ADQ2	NA	83%
-	Alarms		
-	Navigation Status		
-	Vessel Motion		
	Bow	0.35 	
	Kncts	0.35	
	Stern	1.68 	
+	Cursor		
+	Speed Required		
-	Own-Ship Water Level		
	Prev	Own-Ship	Next
	STN Denton	Interpolate	Southend (Copy)
	RNG -5.33NM	0.00NM	8.36NM
	Time Now	1 Min	1 Min
	LVL 3.03	3.03	3.03
	Ref LCD	LCD	LCD
+	Waypoint		
+	XTD		



ROT

11.6°

Stbd °/m

HDG

342.7°

True

COG

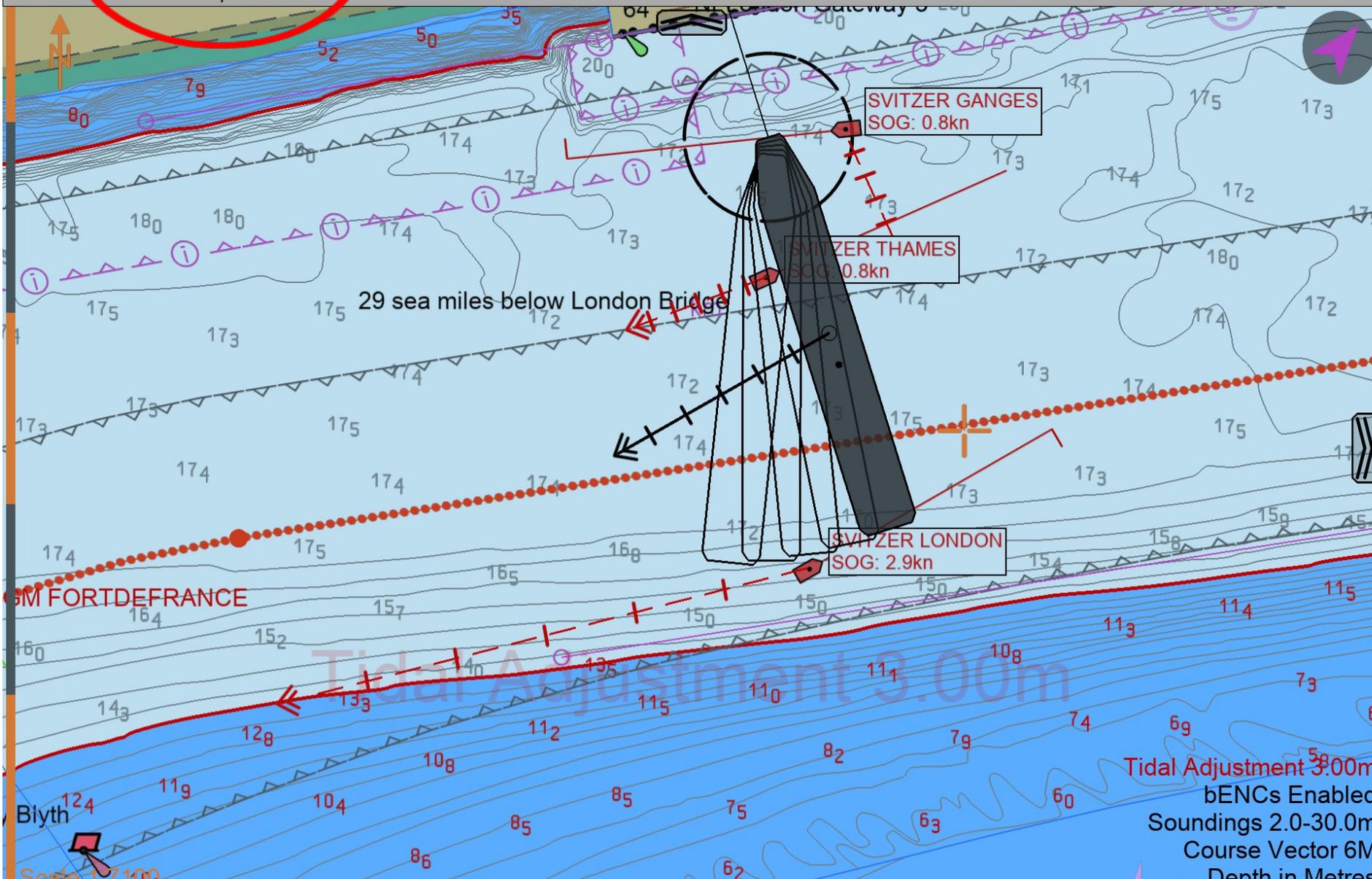
240.3°

True

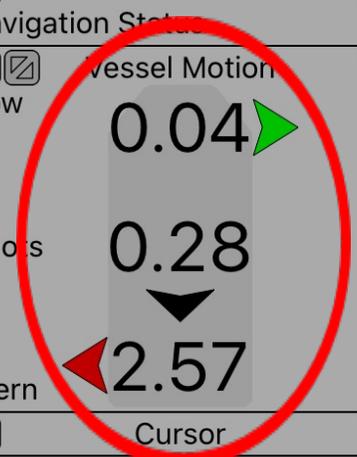
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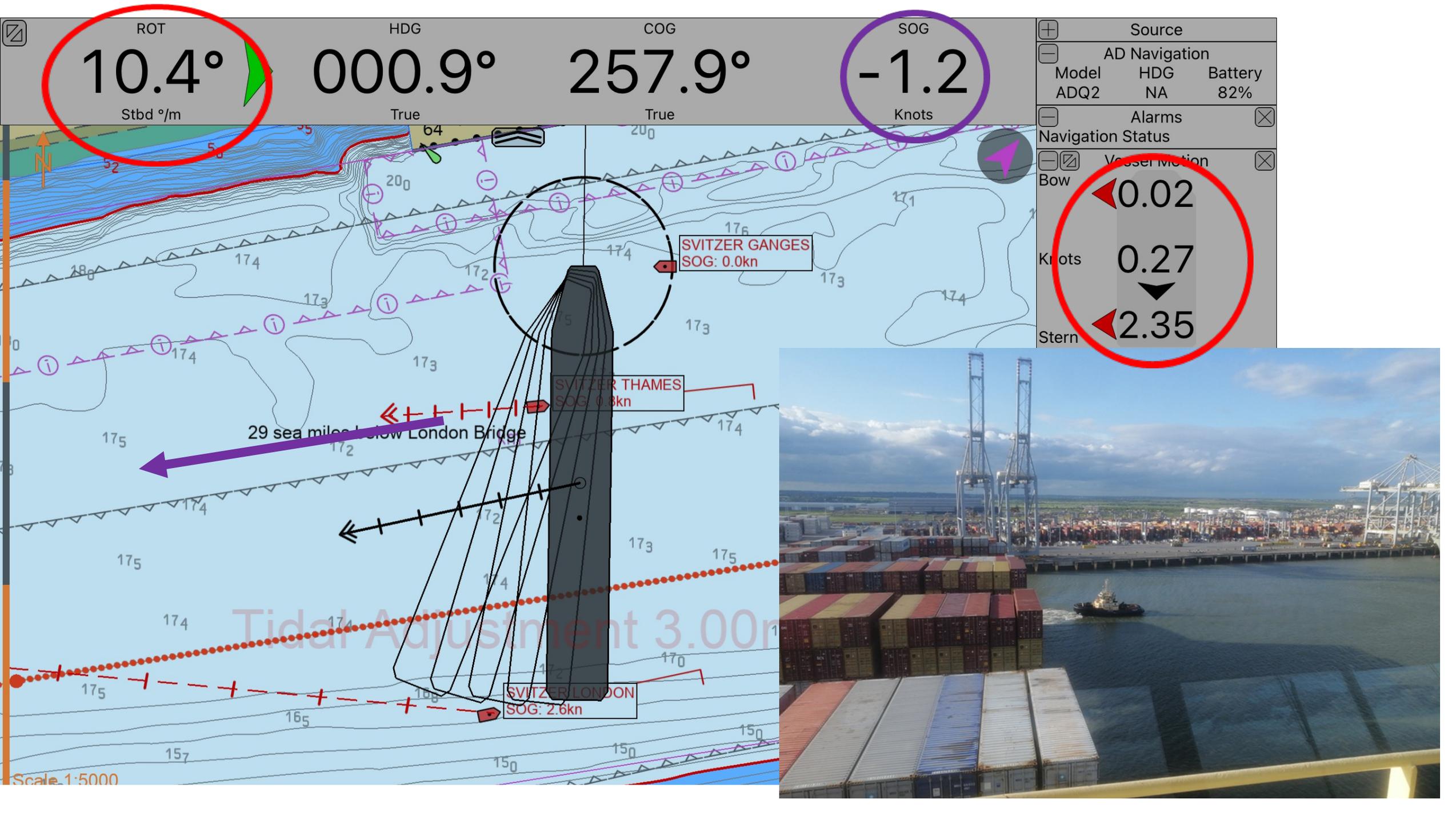
-1.3

Knots

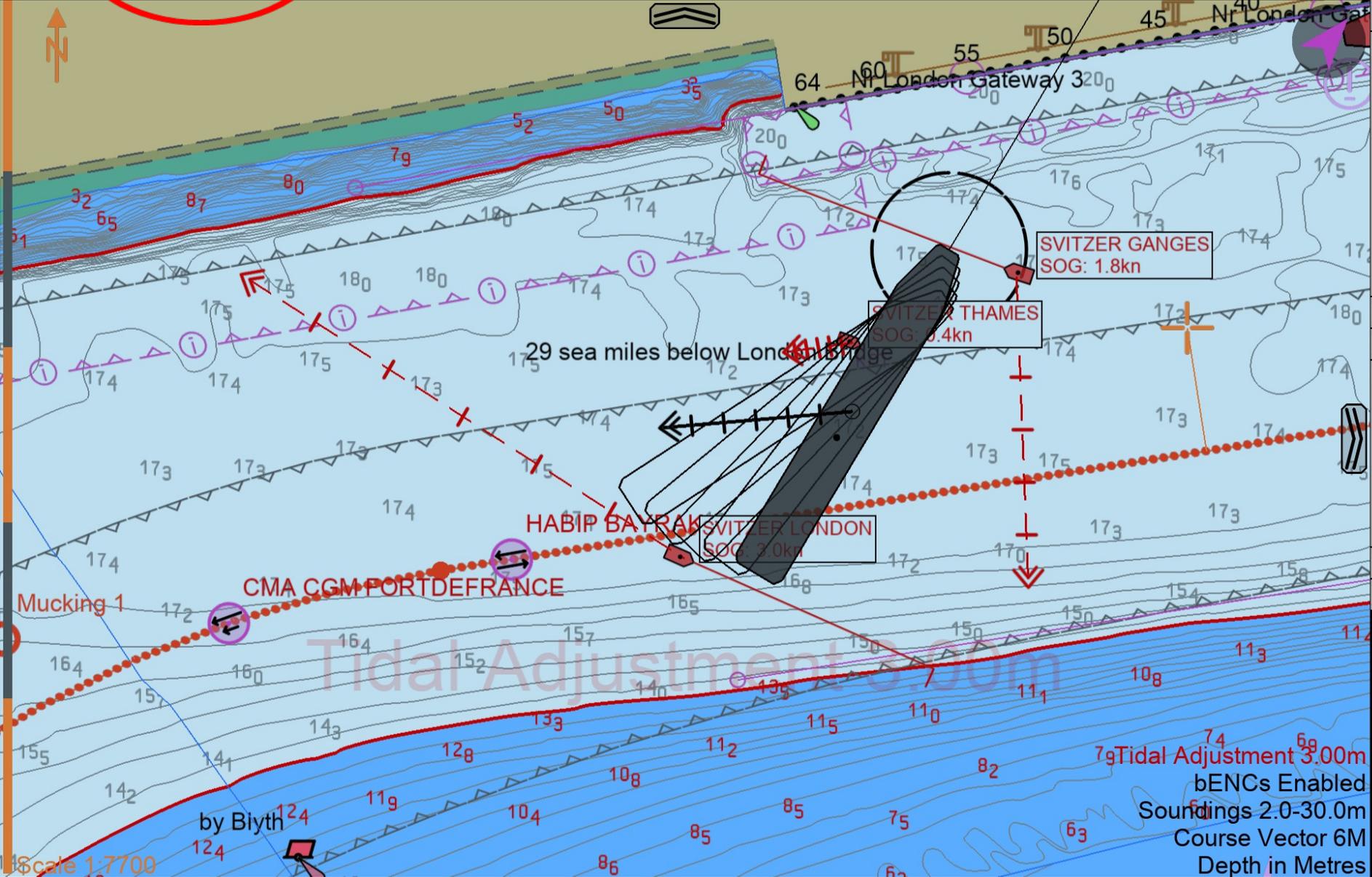


+	Source	
-	AD Navigation	
	Model	Battery
	ADQ2	83%
-	Alarms	
-	Navigation Status	
-	Vessel Motion	
	Bow	0.04
	Knots	0.28
	Stern	2.57
+	Cursor	
+	Speed Required	
-	Own-Ship Water Level	
	Prev	Next
	STN	Shivering Sand
	RNG	23.6NM
	Time	1 Min
	LVL	3.10
	Ref	LCD
+	Waypoint	
+	XTD	





ROT **13.0°** Stbd °/m
 HDG **030.9°** True
 COG **265.1°** True
 SOG **-1.1** Knots



Source		
AD Navigation		
Model	HDG	Battery
ADQ2	NA	82%
Alarms		
Navigation Status		
Vessel Motion		
Bow	0.57 →	
Knots	0.64	
Stern	← 2.36	
Cursor		
Speed Required		
Own-Ship Water Level		
Prev	Own-Ship	Next
STN	Denton	InterpolateThameshaven
RNG	-5.21NM	0.00NM 0.67NM
Time	Now	1 Min 1 Min
LVL	3.16	3.18 3.18
Ref	LCD	LCD LCD
Waypoint		
XTD		

ROT
5.2°
Stbd °/m

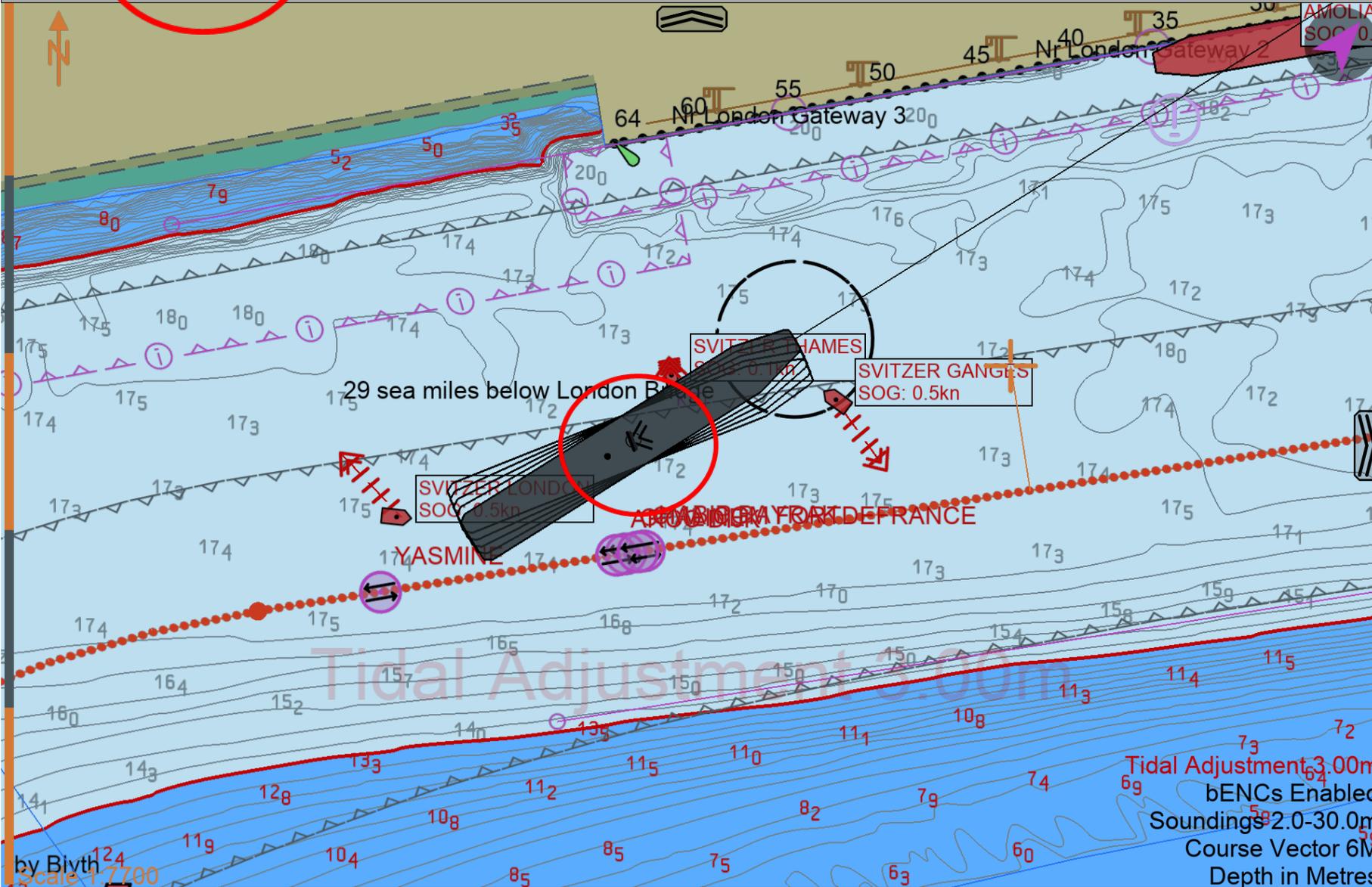


HDG
057.9°
True

COG
249.4°
True

SOG
0.0
Knots

Source		
AD Navigation		
Model	HDG	Battery
ADQ2	NA	82%
Alarms		
Navigation Status		
Vessel Motion		
Bow	0.58	▶
	0.02	▼
Stern	0.59	◀
Cursor		
Speed Required		
Waypoint		
XTD		

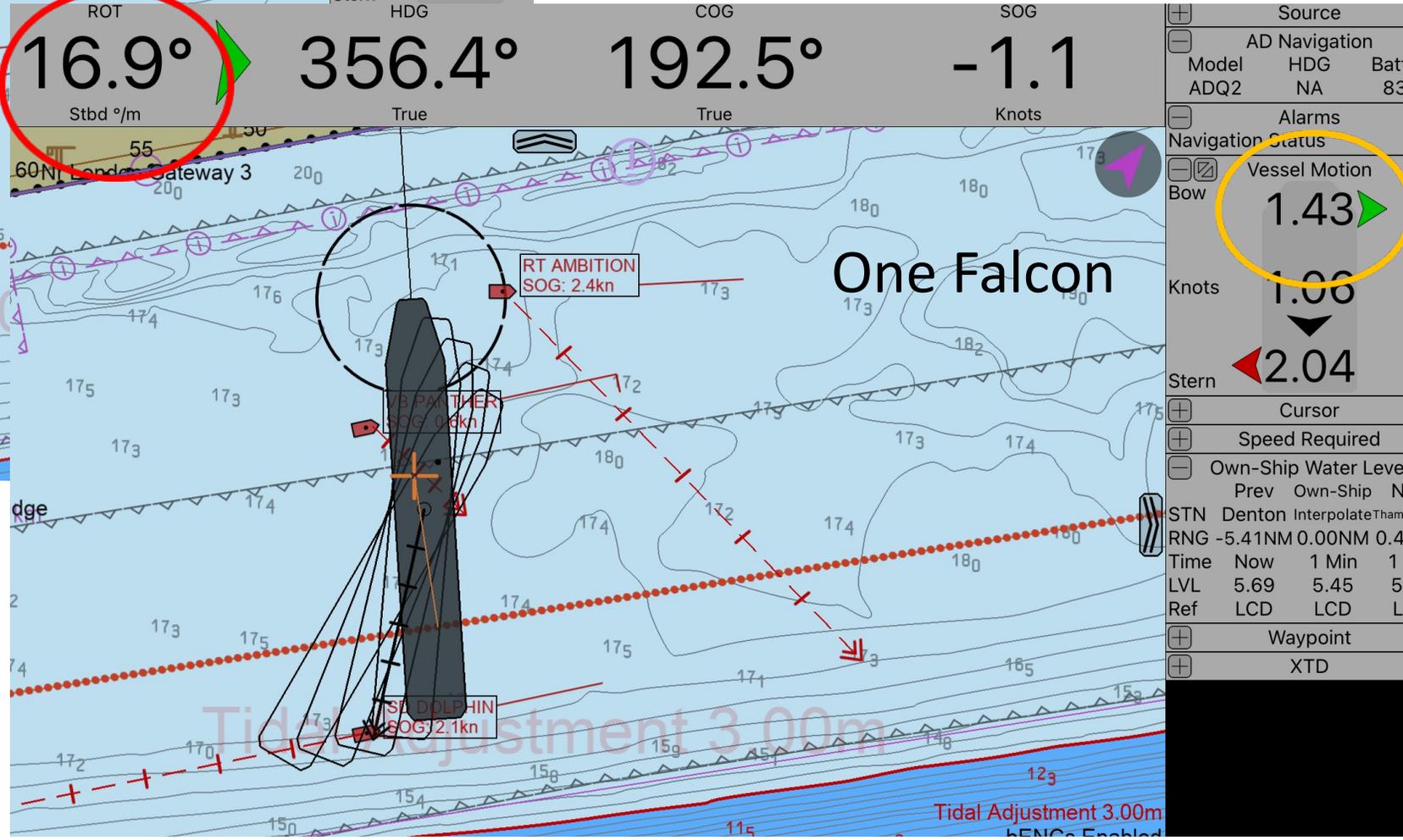
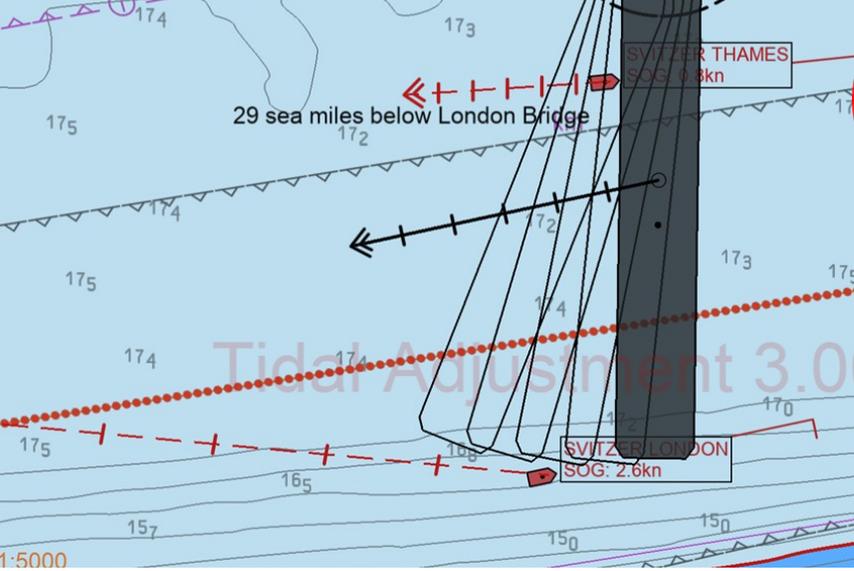


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Spot the difference

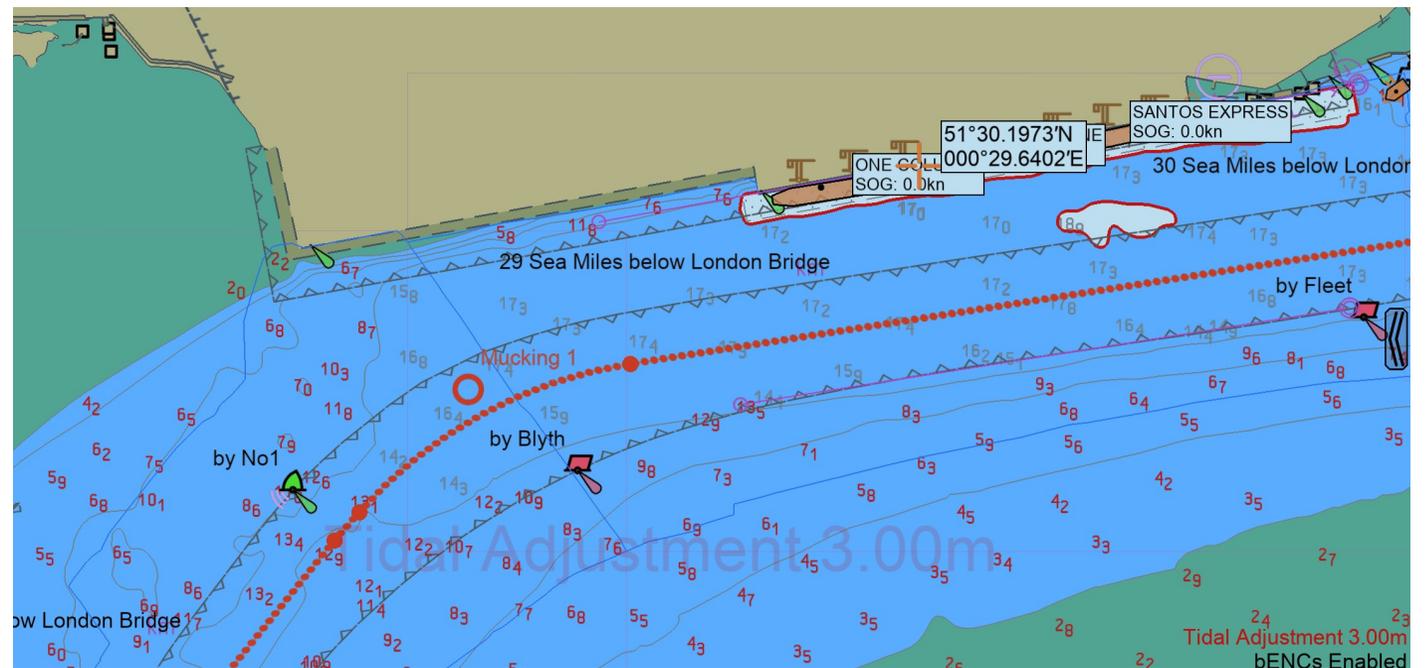




How it really looks

Future Challenges

- Introduction of Berths 4, 5 and 6
- More ULCS – passing
- Ship design and propulsion



The background features a large, stylized blue logo with the letters 'UKMPA' in a bold, serif font. The logo is set against a white background with vertical stripes, which is part of a larger graphic that also includes a red and white wavy pattern on the right side.

Train

Plan

Execute

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