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Introduction

Nord Stream 2 is a pipeline through the Baltic Sea planned to deliver natural gas from vast reserves in Russia directly to the EU gas market to fill the growing gas import demand.

The twin 1,200 kilometre subsea pipelines will have the capacity to supply 55 billion cubic metres of gas per year in an economic, environmentally safe and reliable way, compensating for the drop in the EU's domestic production.

The privately funded €8 billion infrastructure project will ensure long-term access to an important, low emissions energy source, thereby contributing to the EU's climate protection efforts. Additional supplies will boost competition in the market and support the EU's global industrial competitiveness.

Nord Stream 2 follows in the footsteps of the successful experience of construction and operation of the existing Nord Stream Pipeline, which has been recognised for its high environmental and safety standards, green logistics, open dialogue and public consultation.

Atlas maps

This ATLAS is part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the Danish section of the planned NSP2 pipeline system.

The purpose of this ATLAS is to describe the general geographical distribution of physical, chemical and biological parameters in the Baltic Sea around the planned offshore pipelines.

When reading the text part of the Environmental Impact Assessment there will be references to the ATLAS. The individual Atlas maps are presented in a sequence that reflects the structure of the report.

The maps that are presented in the ATLAS are based on information from authorities, organisations and international databases, data gained from existing Nord Stream pipeline project, and on data from Nord Stream 2 field surveys carried out in 2015 – 2016 along the planned pipeline corridor. The references used are shown in the ATLAS maps' legends.

Please be aware that the marked route of the pipeline on the maps is not representative of the actual pipeline width. It serves merely as an indication of the route.

An overview of the topics covered by the ATLAS and of the individual ATLAS maps is shown overleaf.

Note:

General references on all Atlas maps:

- Limits of Exclusive Economic Zones and Territorial Waters: IBRU May 2010
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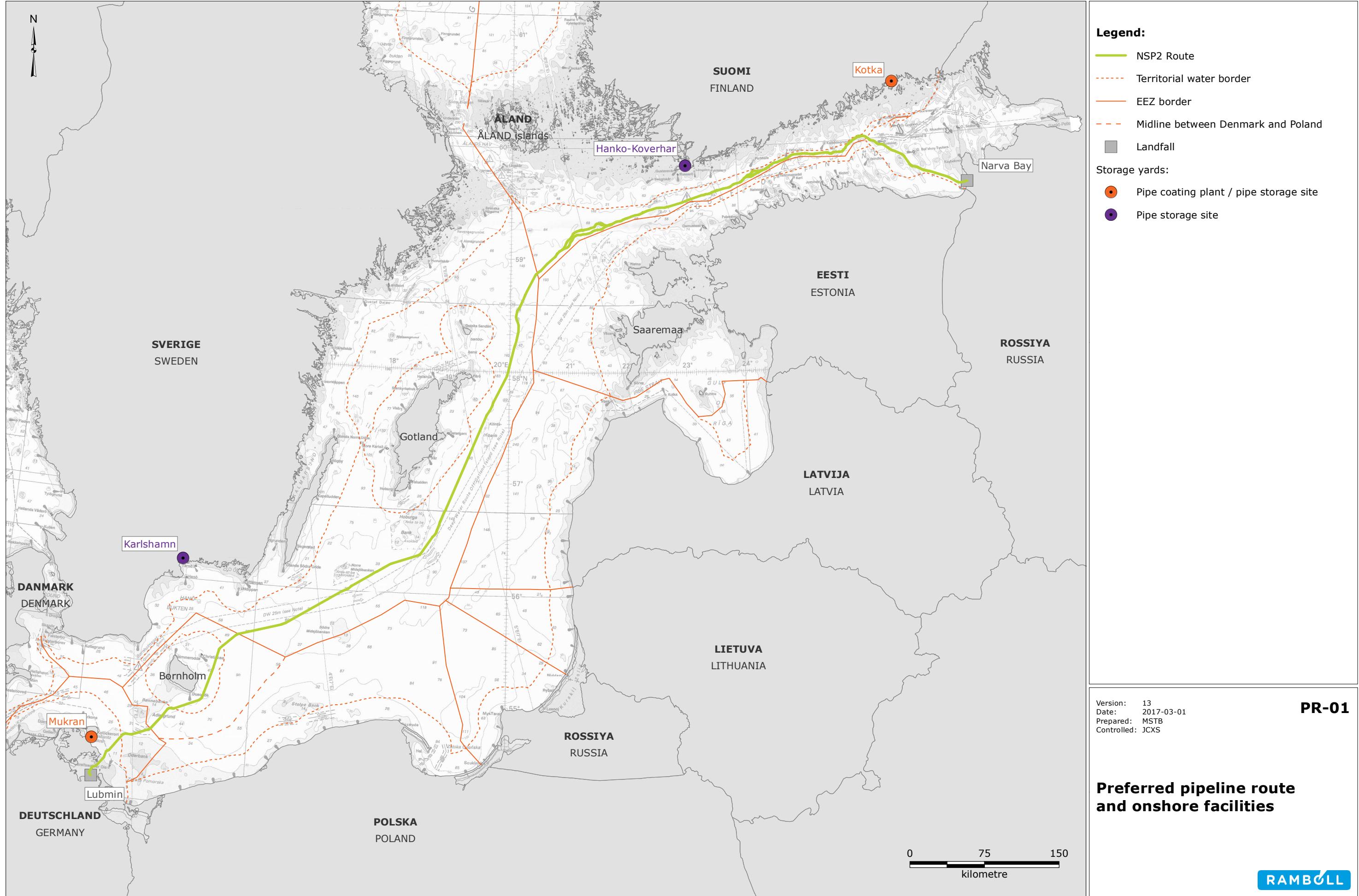
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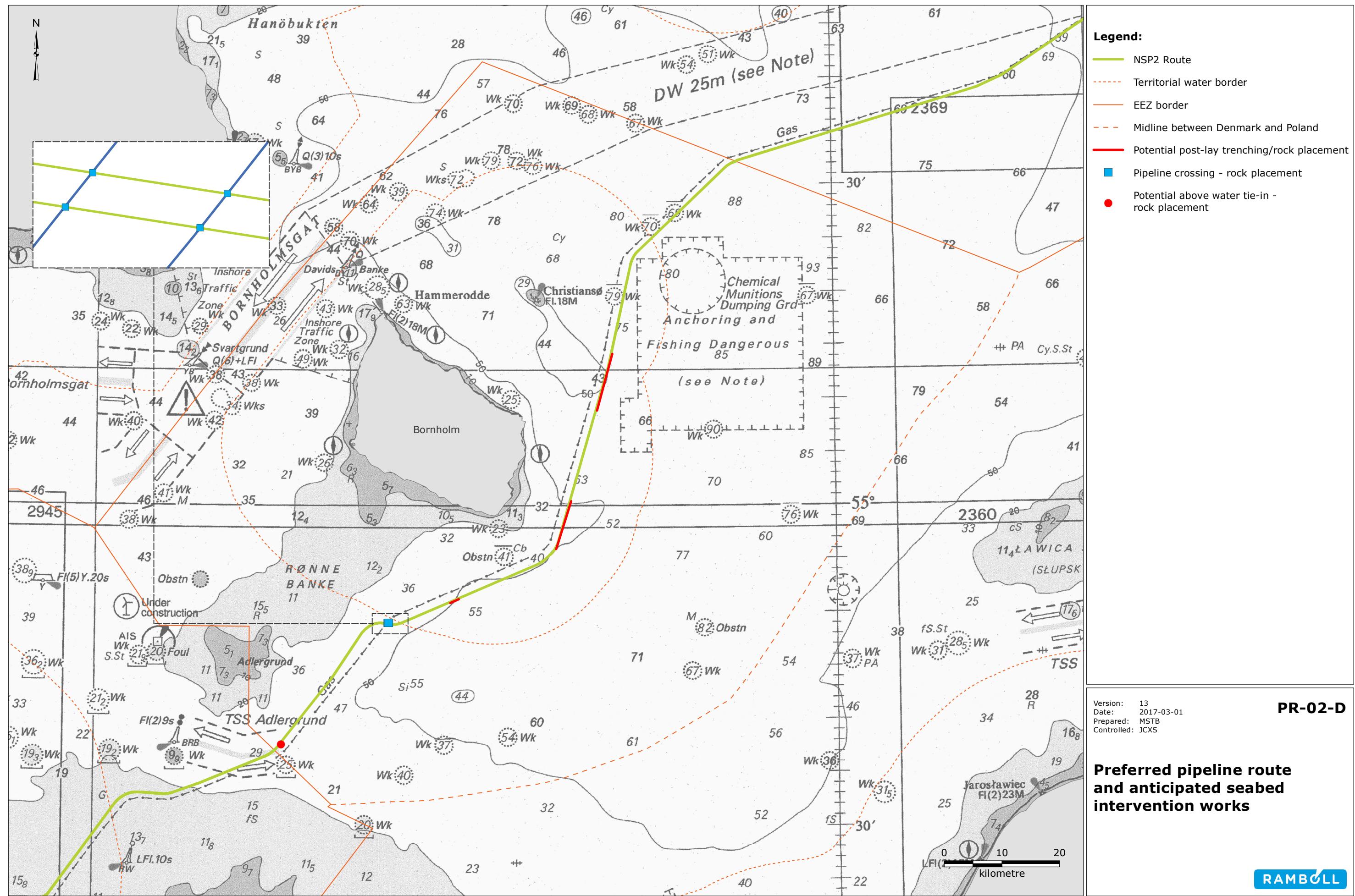
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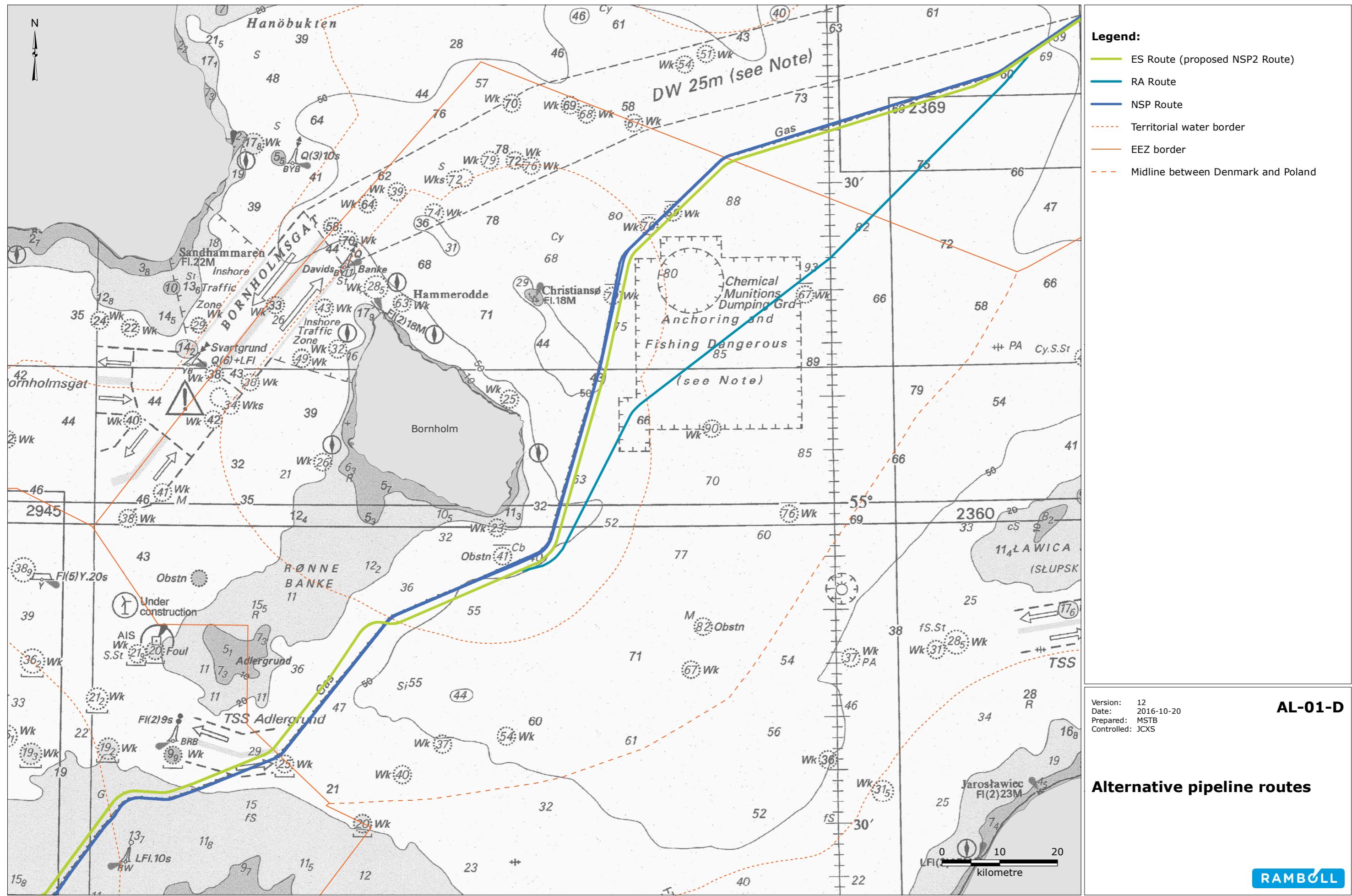
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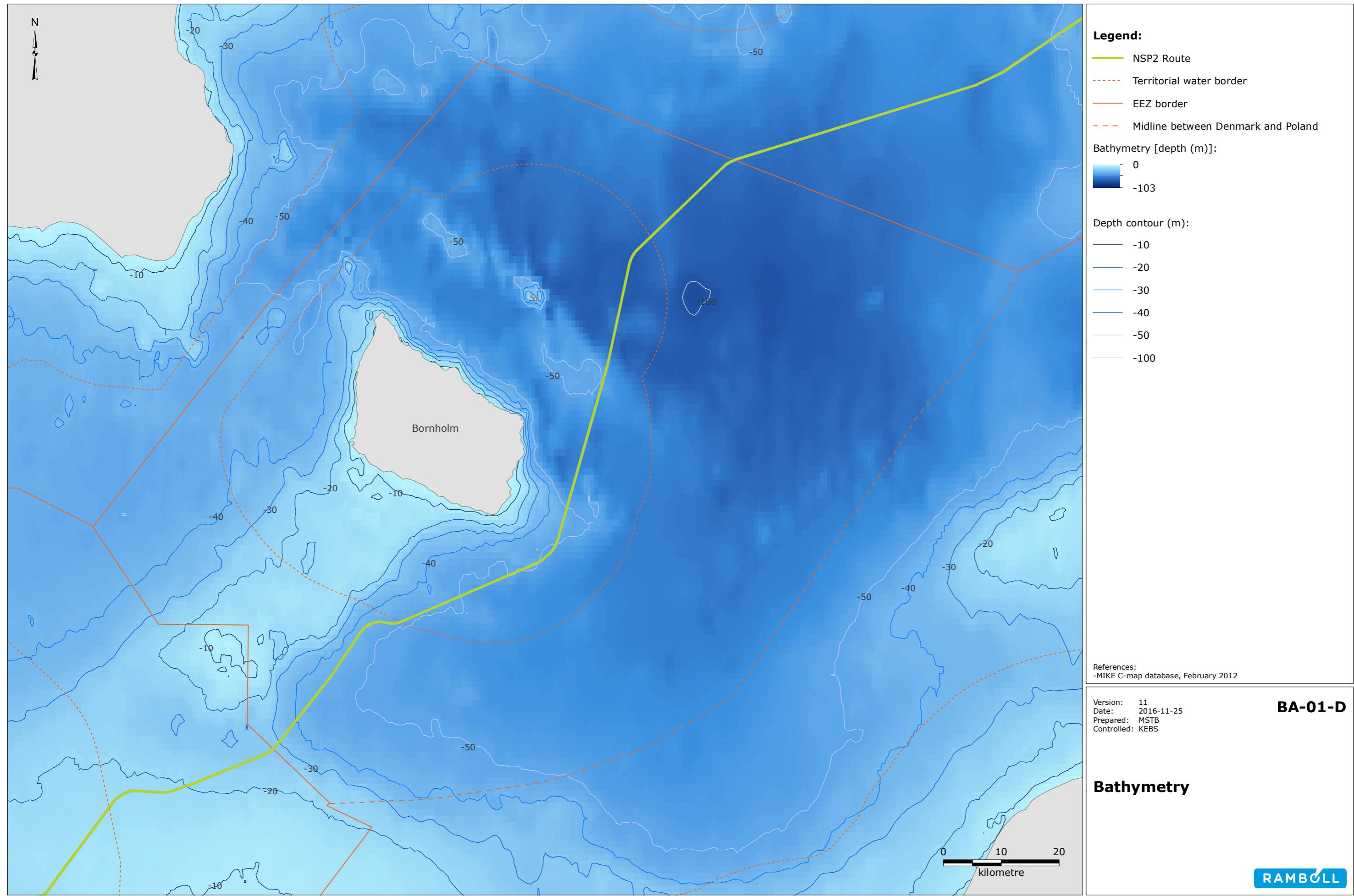
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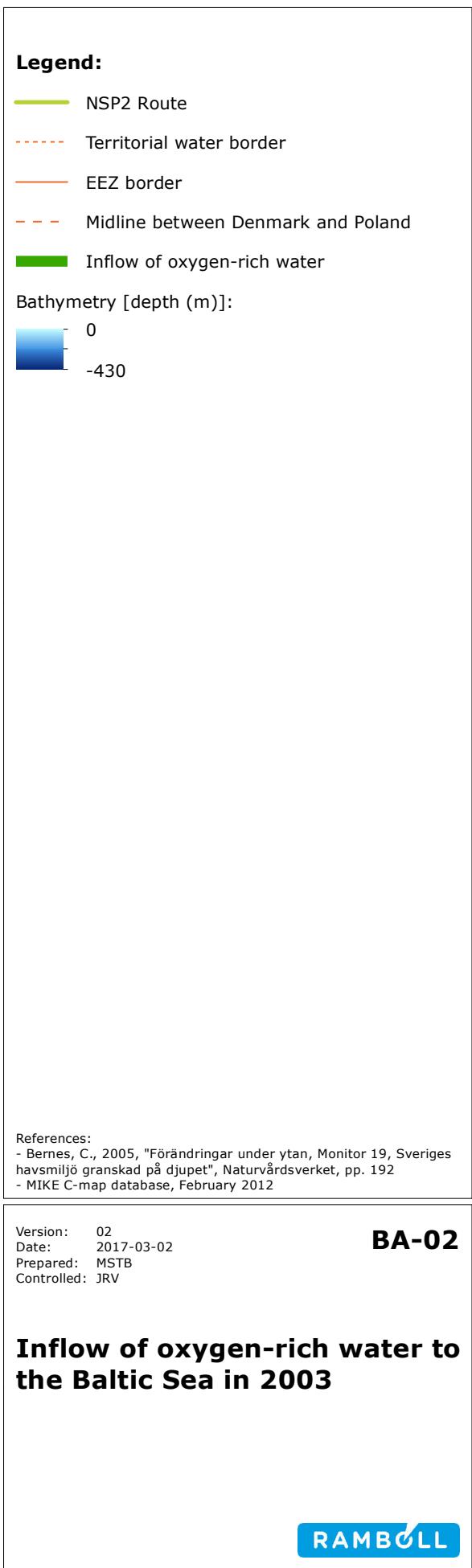
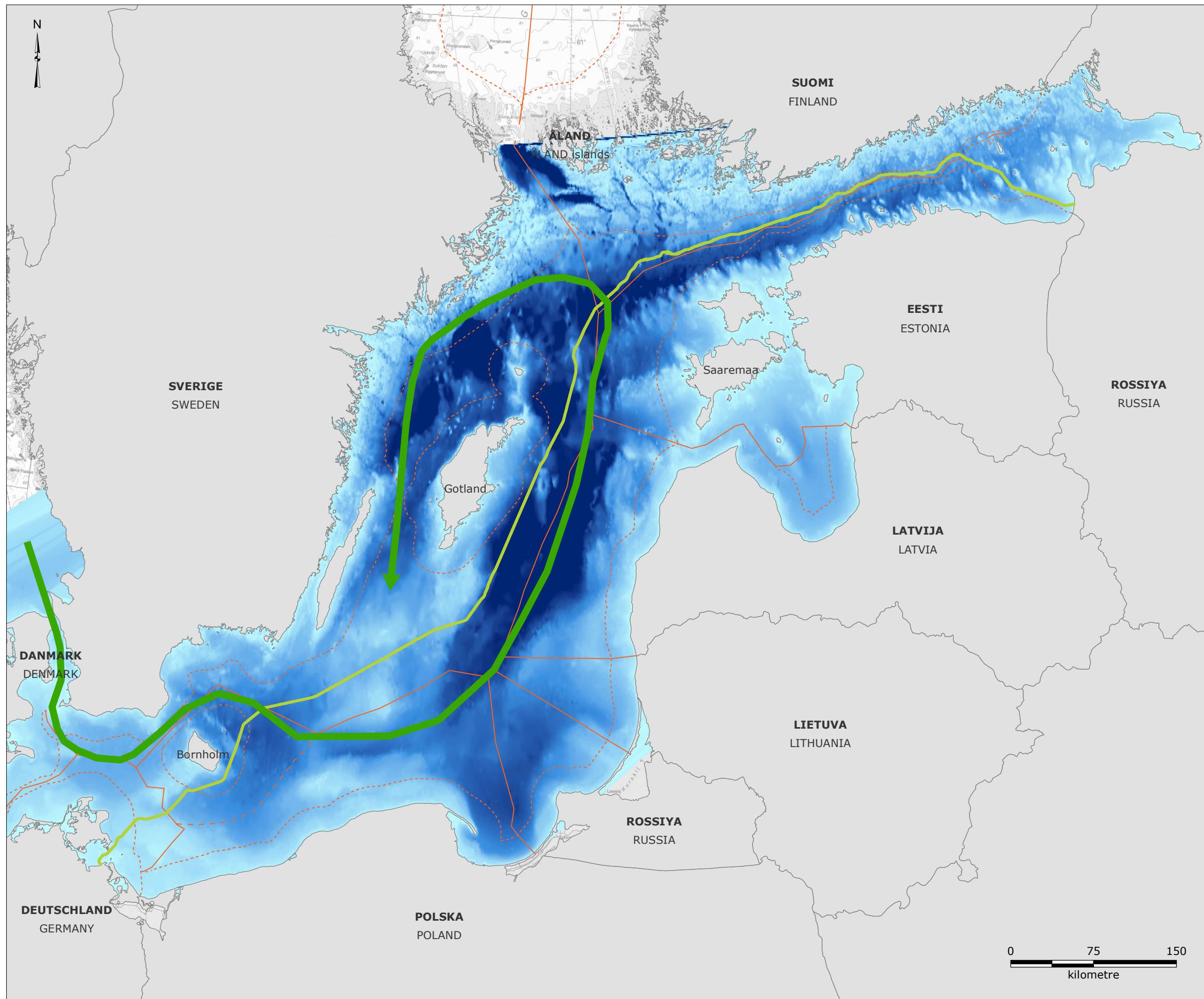
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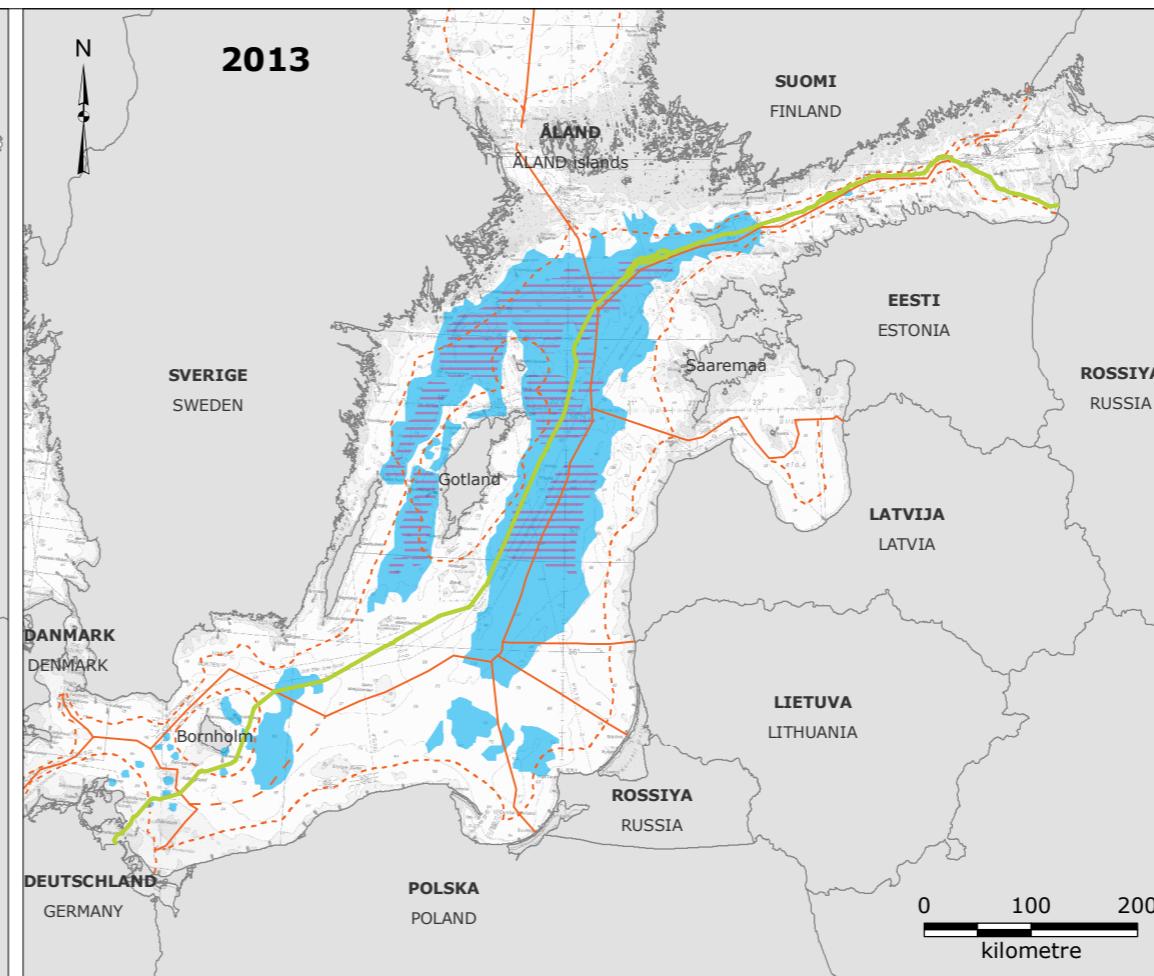
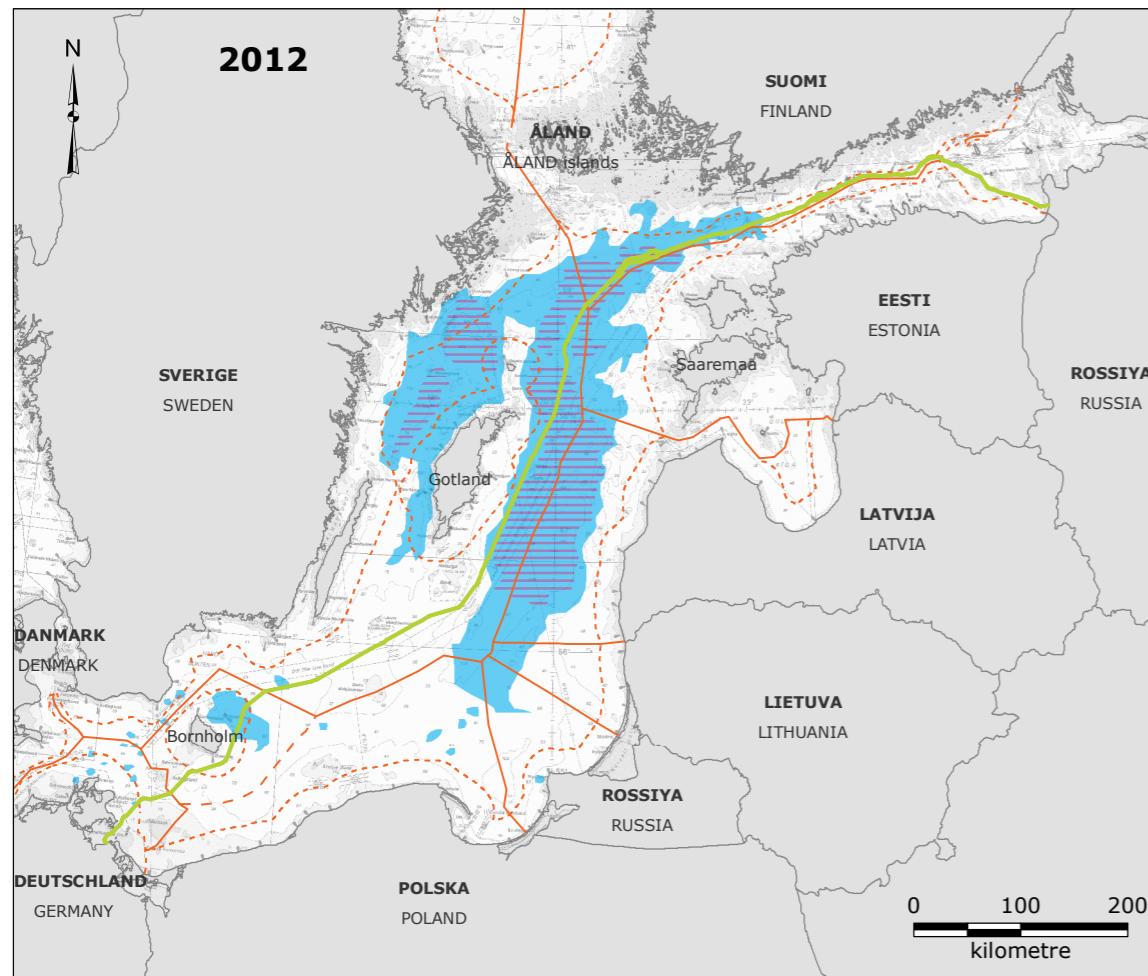
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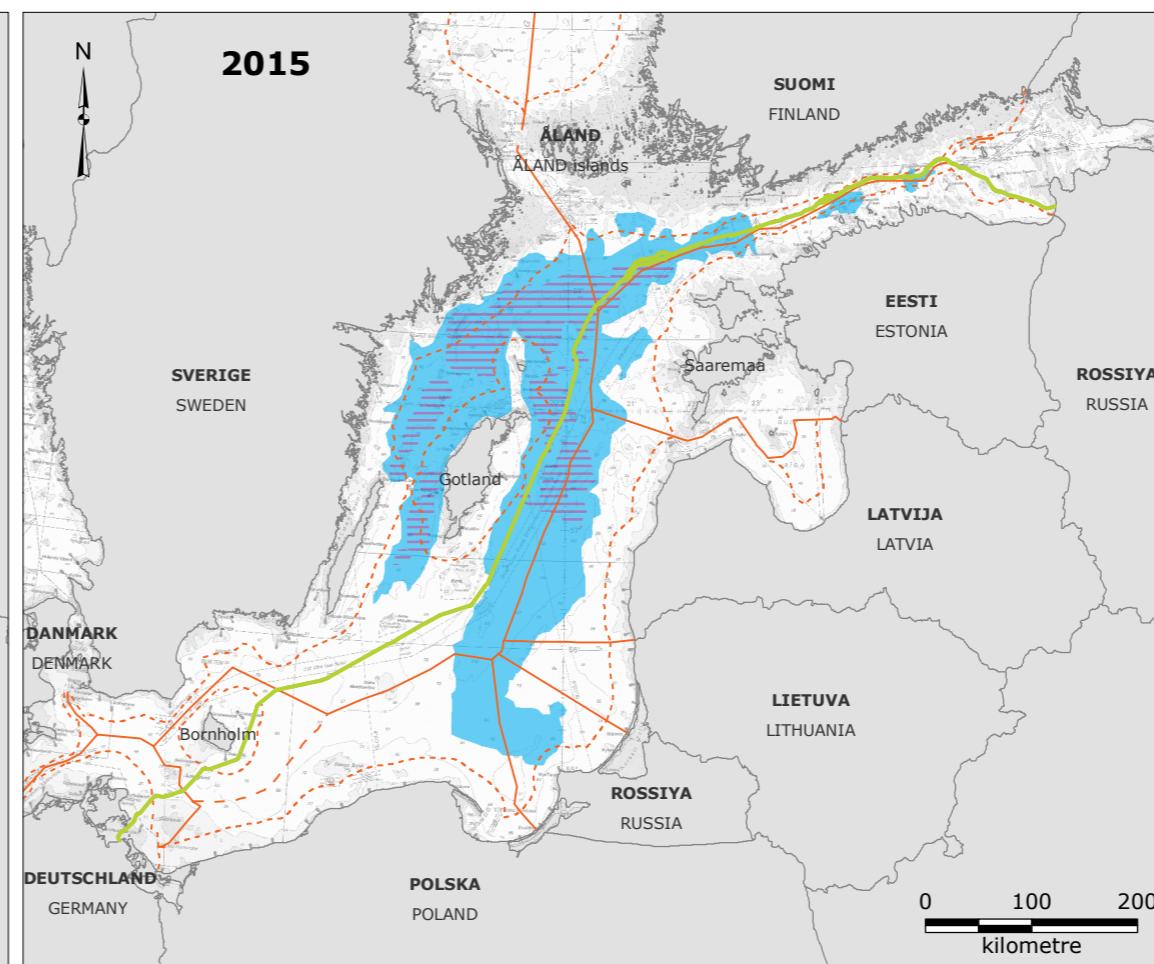
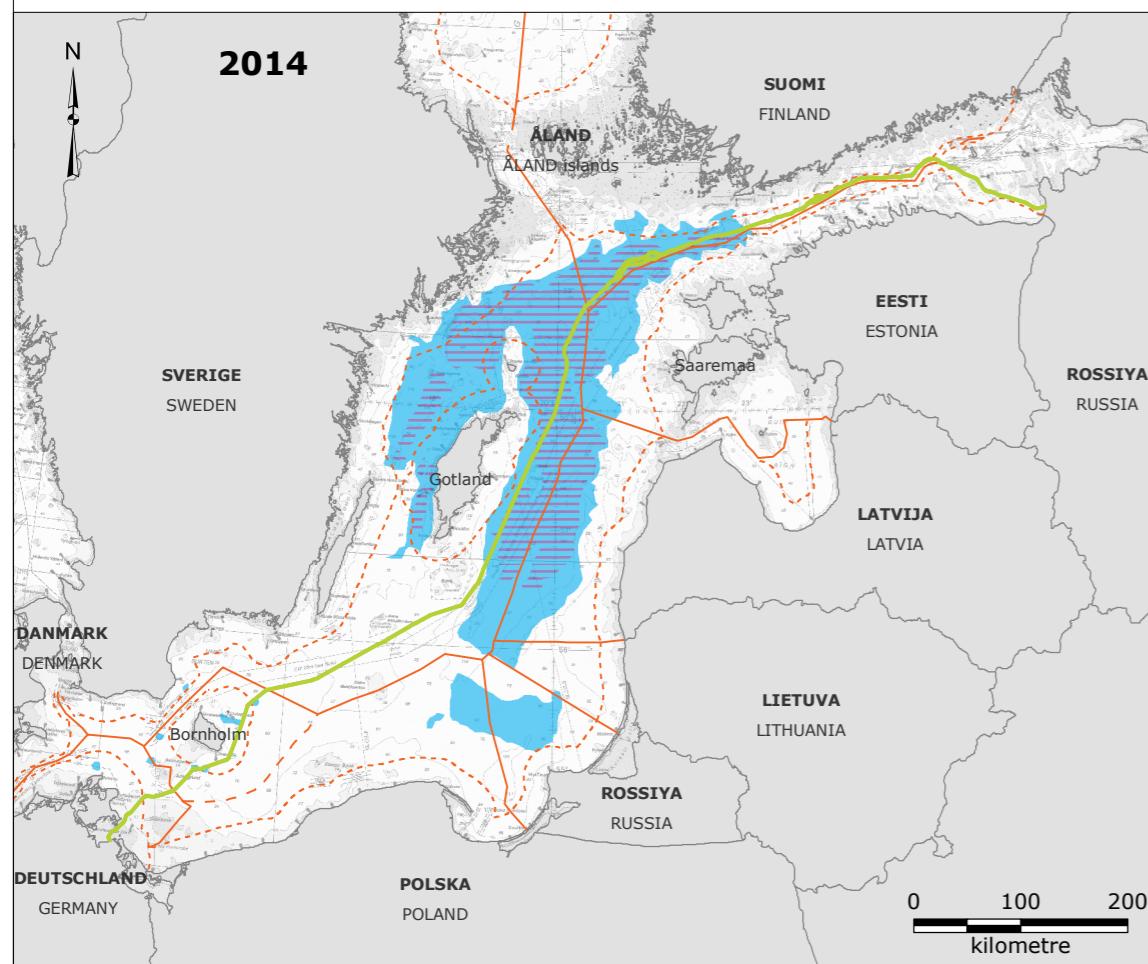






Legend:

- NSP2 Route
- Territorial water border
- EEZ border
- Midline between Denmark and Poland
- Hypoxic (oxygen content $\leq 2 \text{ mg/l}$)
- Anoxic (oxygen content = 0 mg/l)



Note:
- Anoxic and hypoxic areas in the Baltic Sea, Autumn 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015

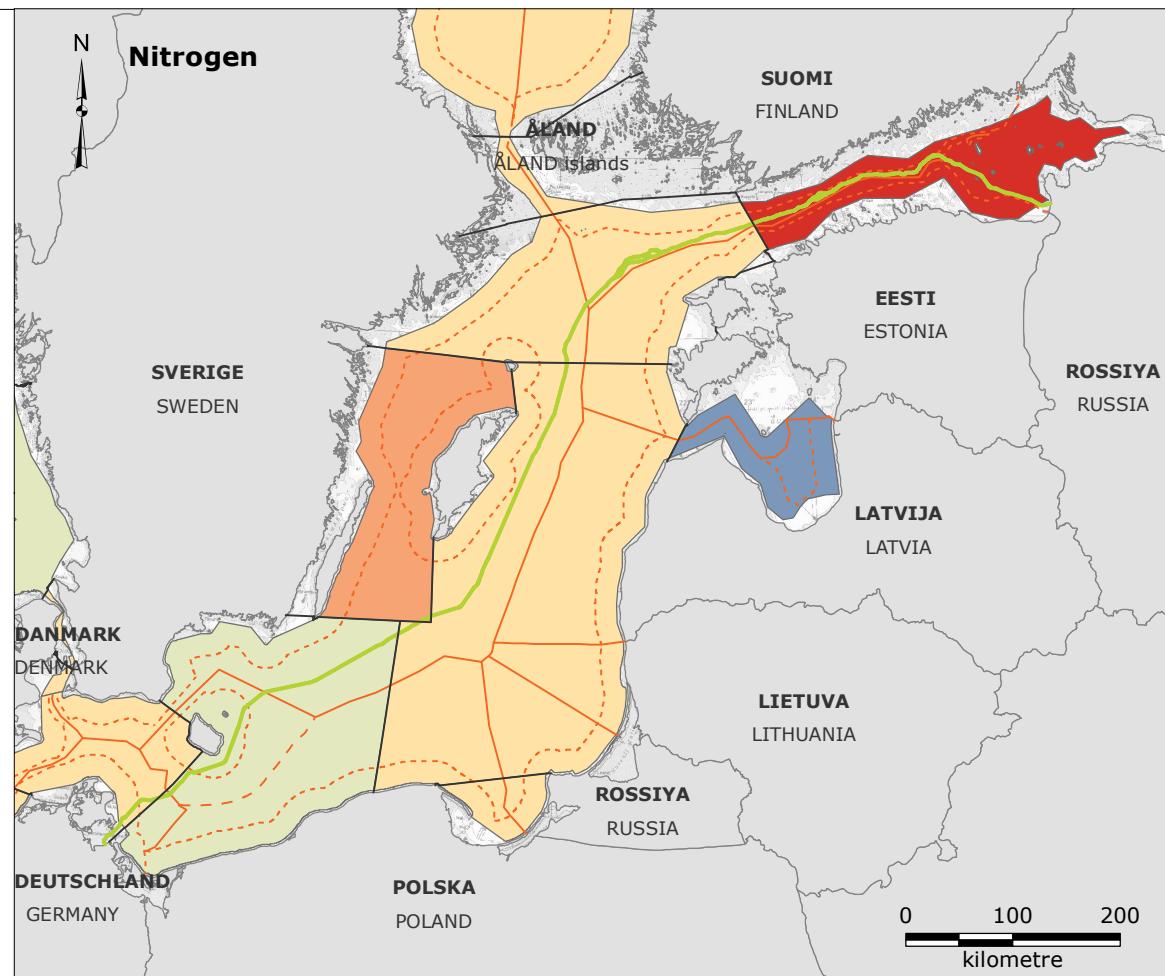
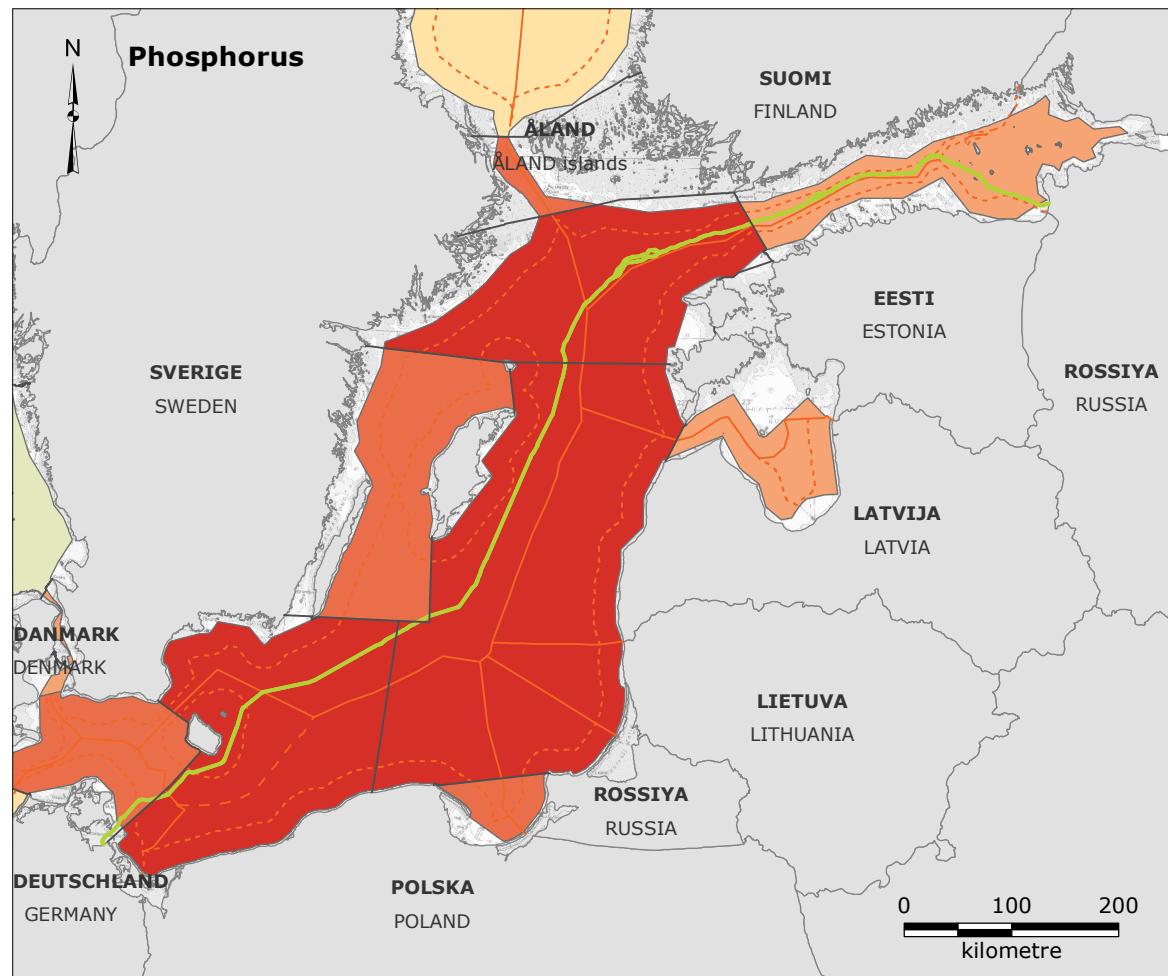
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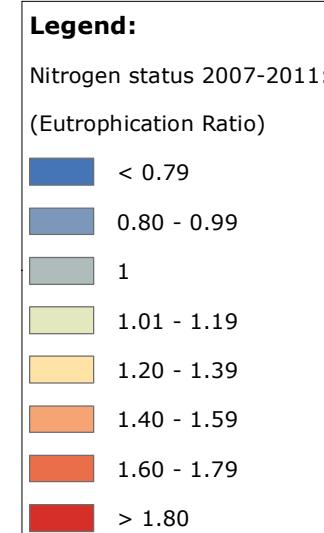
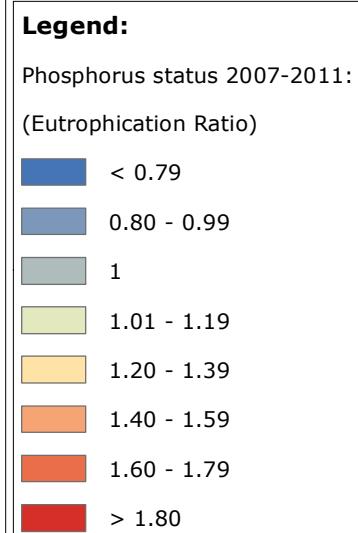
Anoxic and hypoxic areas

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Legend:

- NSP2 Route
- Territorial water border
- EEZ border
- Midline between Denmark and Poland
- Sub-basins



Note:

- Left: Eutrophication Ratio: Concentration of Dissolved Inorganic Phosphorus (DIP) in surface water (0-10 m) as winter average 2007-2011, relative to target concentration of Good Environmental Status (GES). The GES-boundary is set at ER ≤ 1.00.
- Right: Eutrophication Ratio: Concentration of Dissolved Inorganic Nitrogen (DIN) in surface water (0-10 m) as winter average 2007-2011, relative to target concentration of Good Environmental Status (GES). The GES-boundary is set at ER ≤ 1.00.

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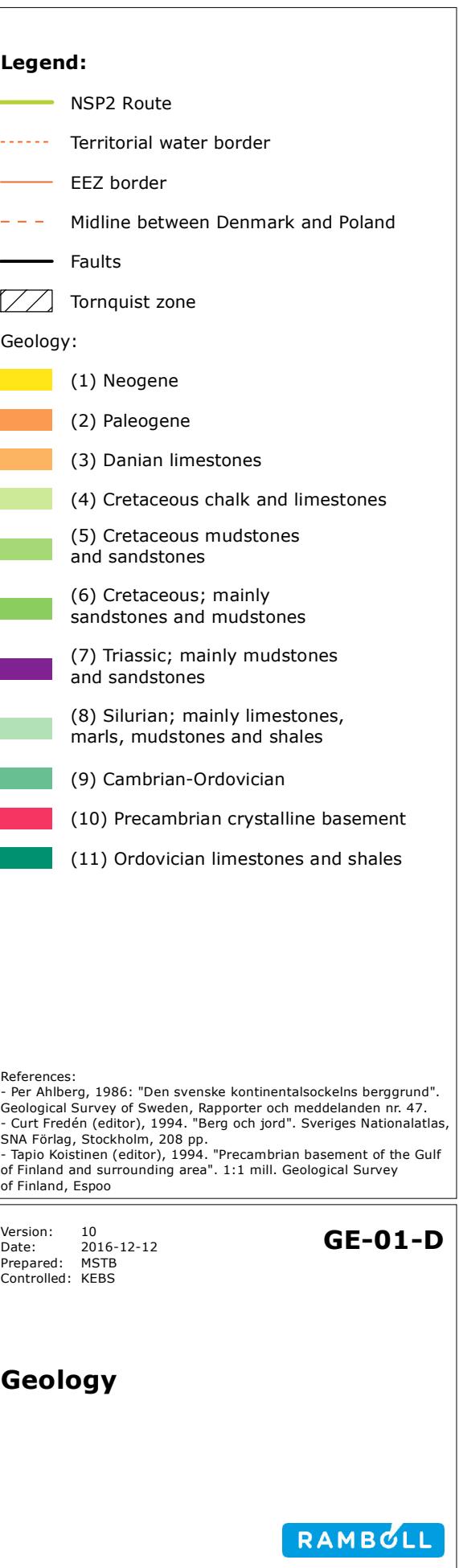
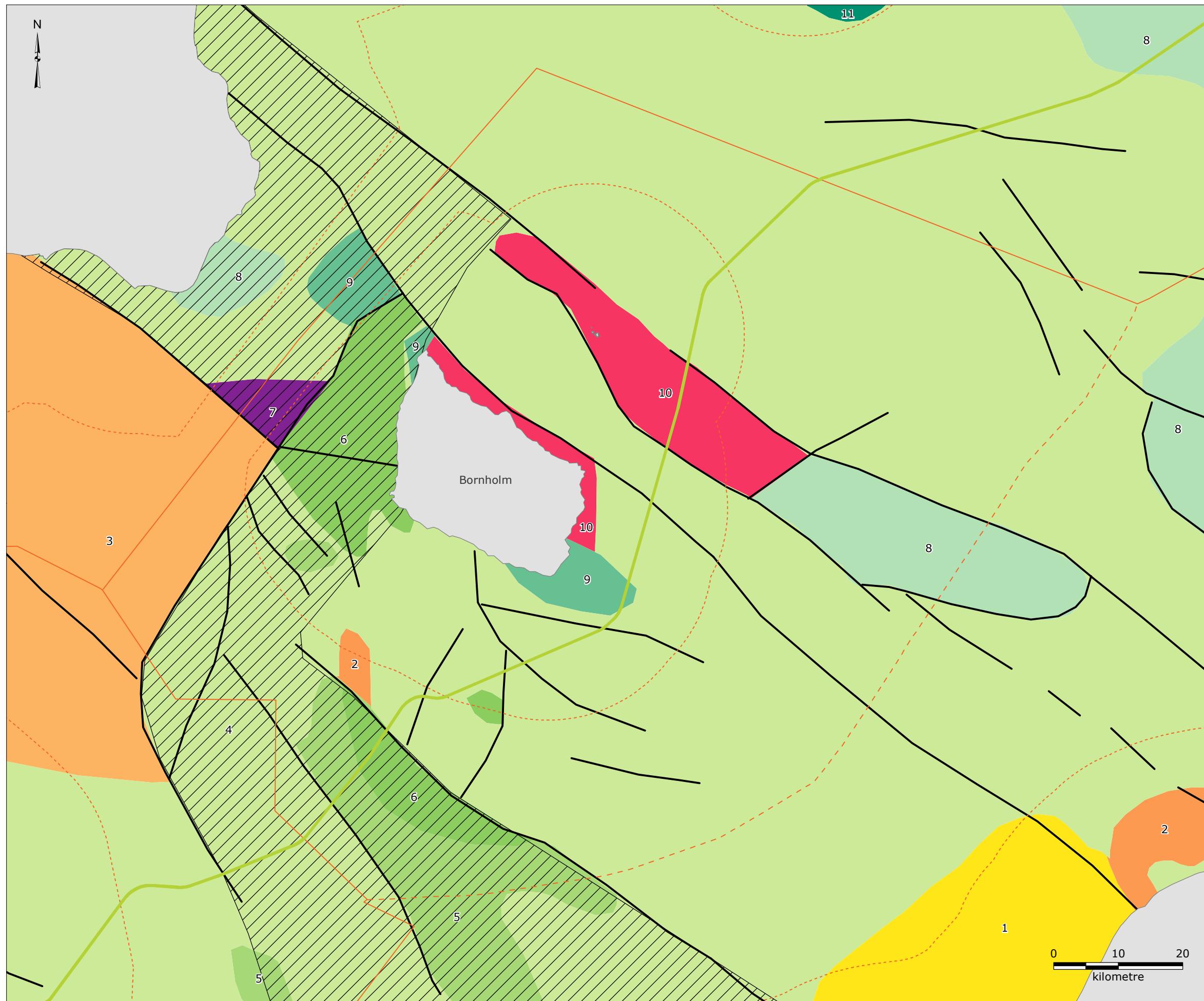
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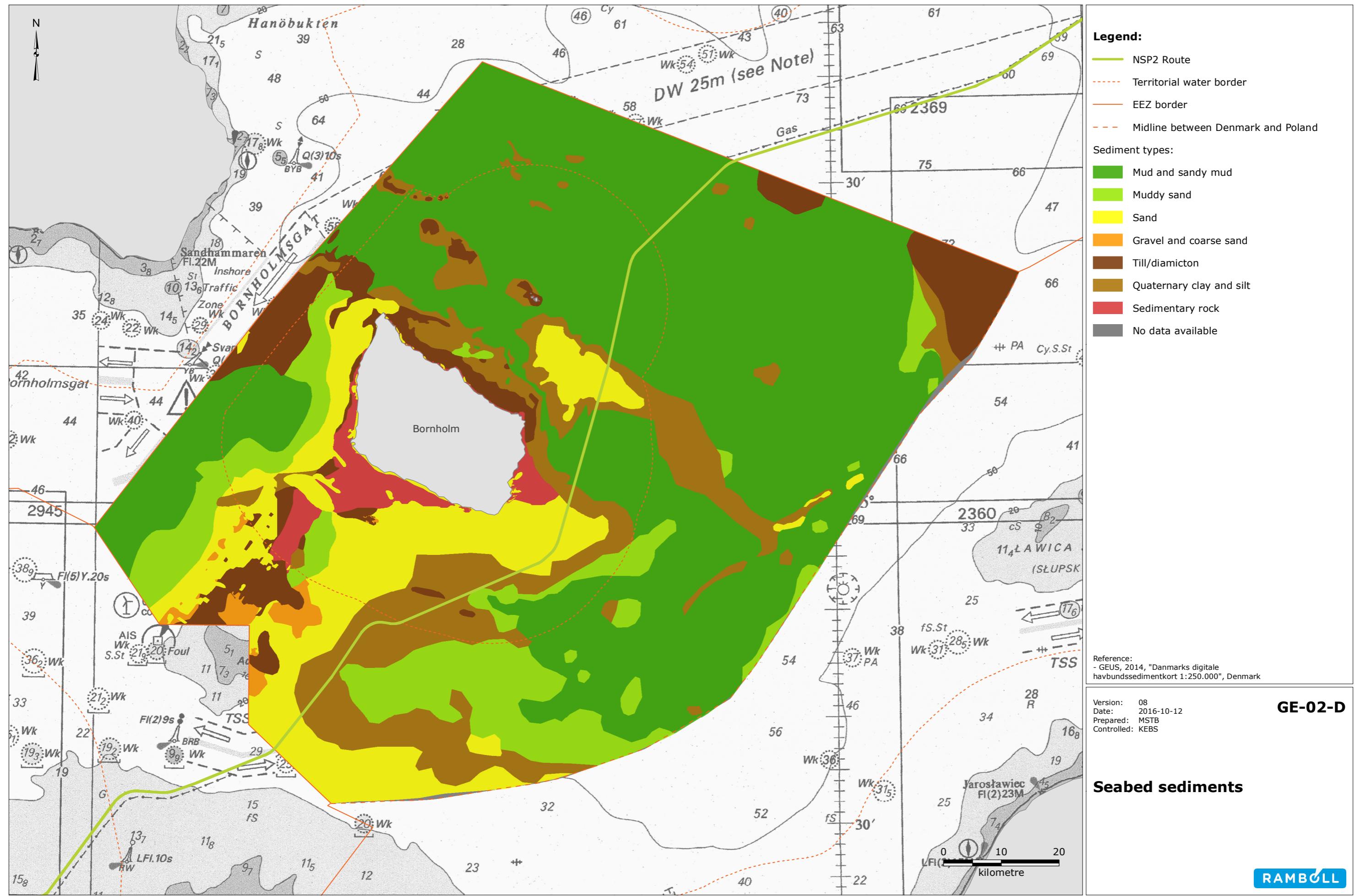
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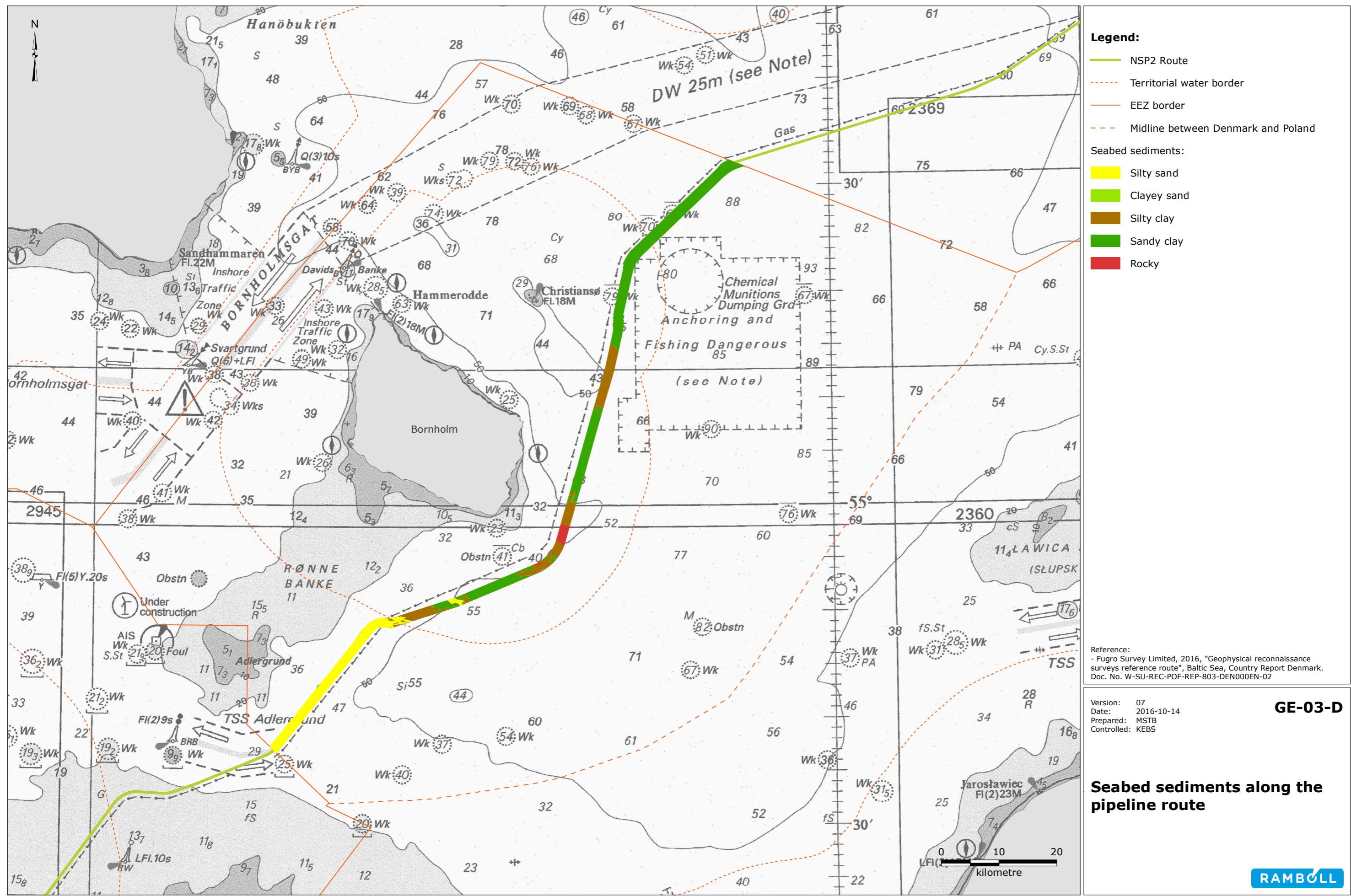
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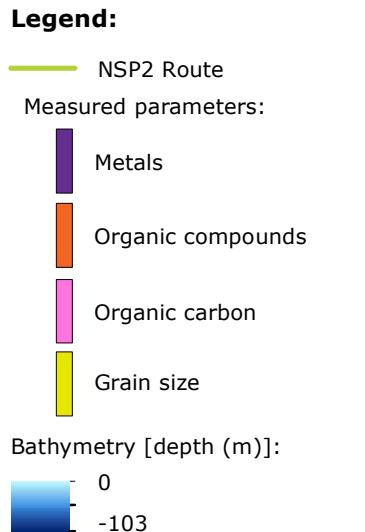
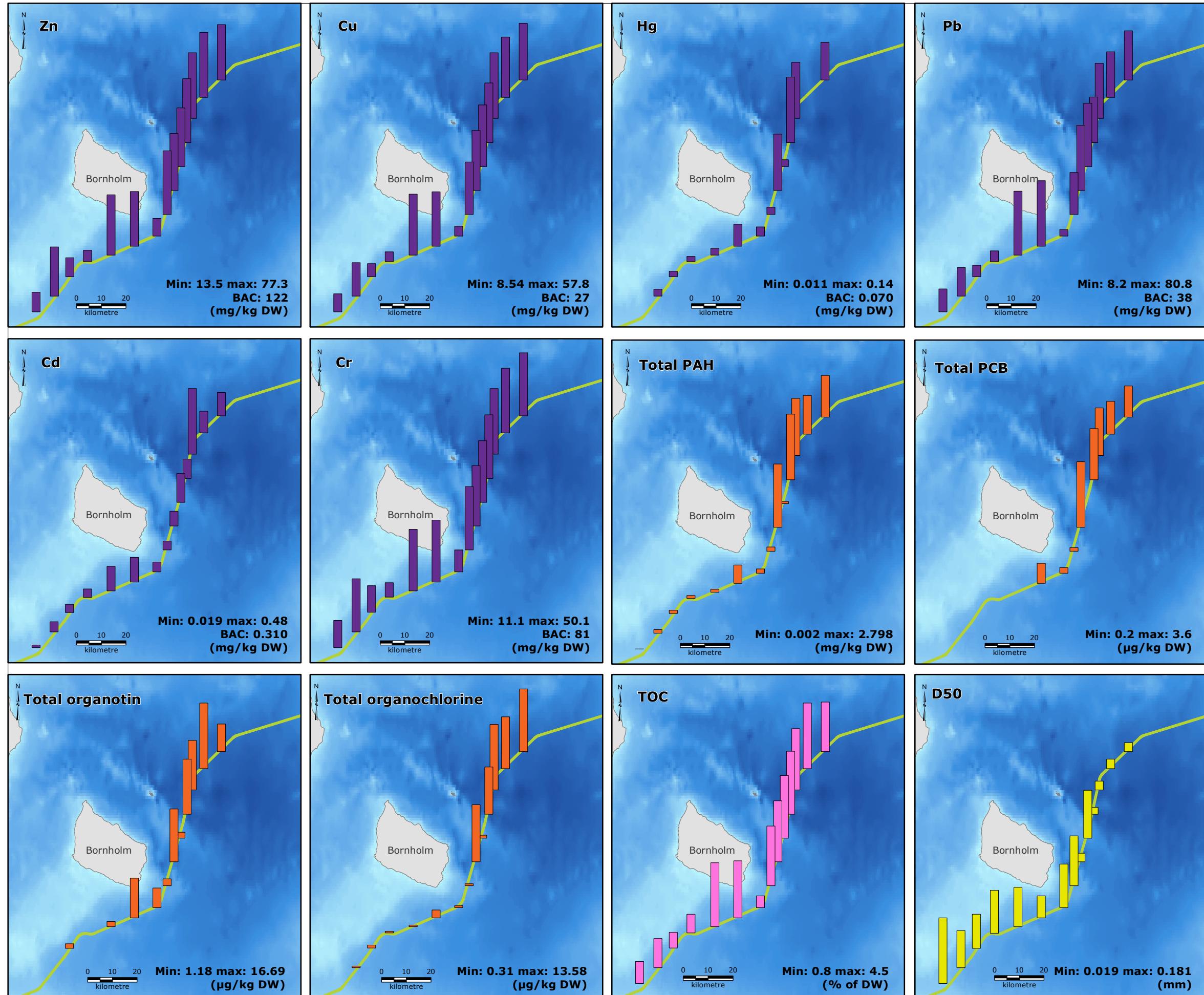
Eutrophication

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Note:
- Background Assessment Concentrations (BACs) are statistical tools defined in relation to the background concentration. Comparison of observed concentrations with BAC enable statistical testing of whether they can be considered to be near background concentrations.

- BAC has been developed by OSPAR for some, but not all of the parameters

Measured parameters:
- Metal concentrations: Zn, Cu, Hg, Pb, Cd, Cr
- Organic compounds concentrations: total PAH (polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons), total PCB (polychlorinated biphenyls), total organotin, and total organochlorine
- D50 - median grain size (mm)
- TOC - total organic carbon
- DW - dry weight

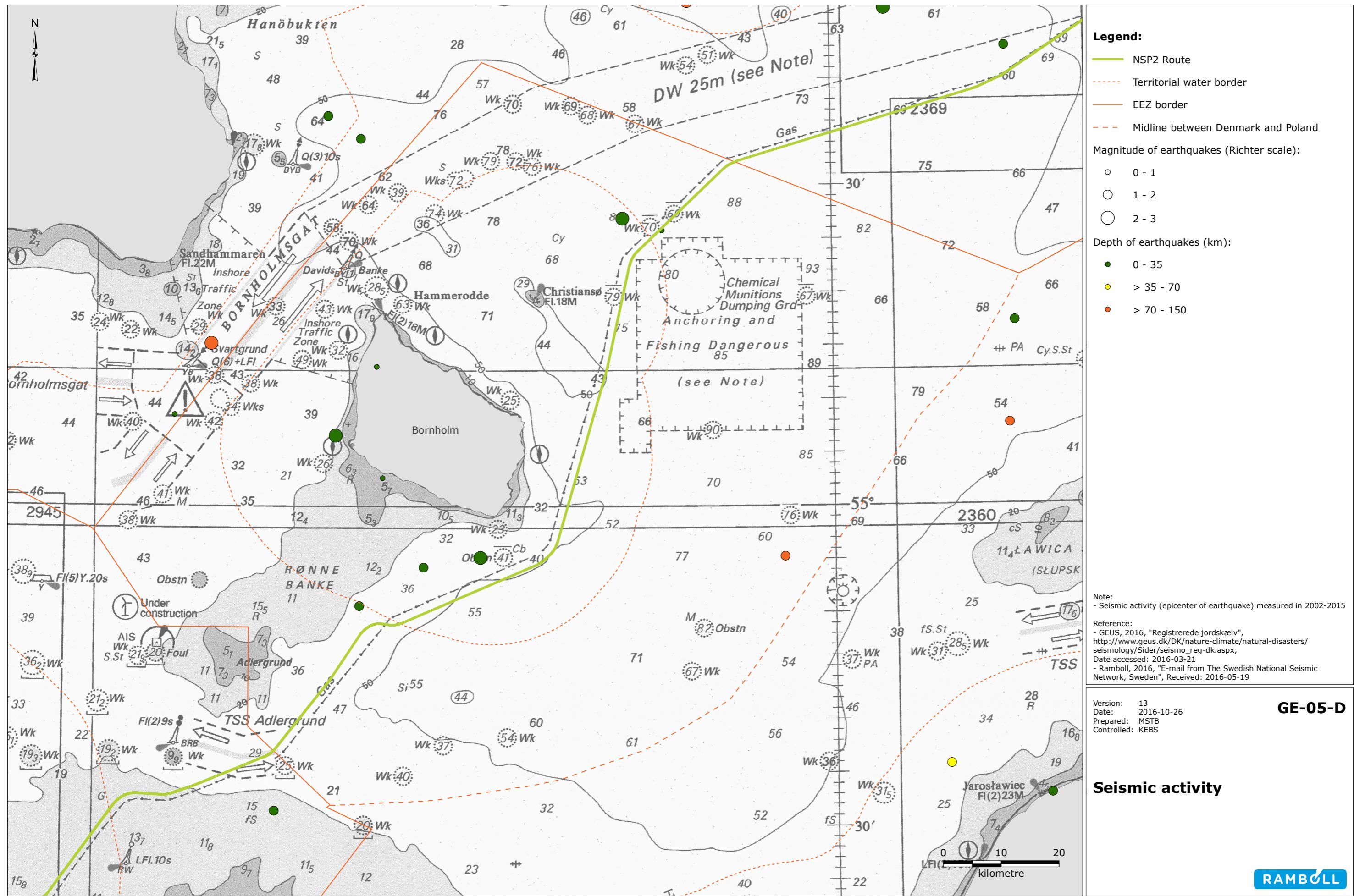
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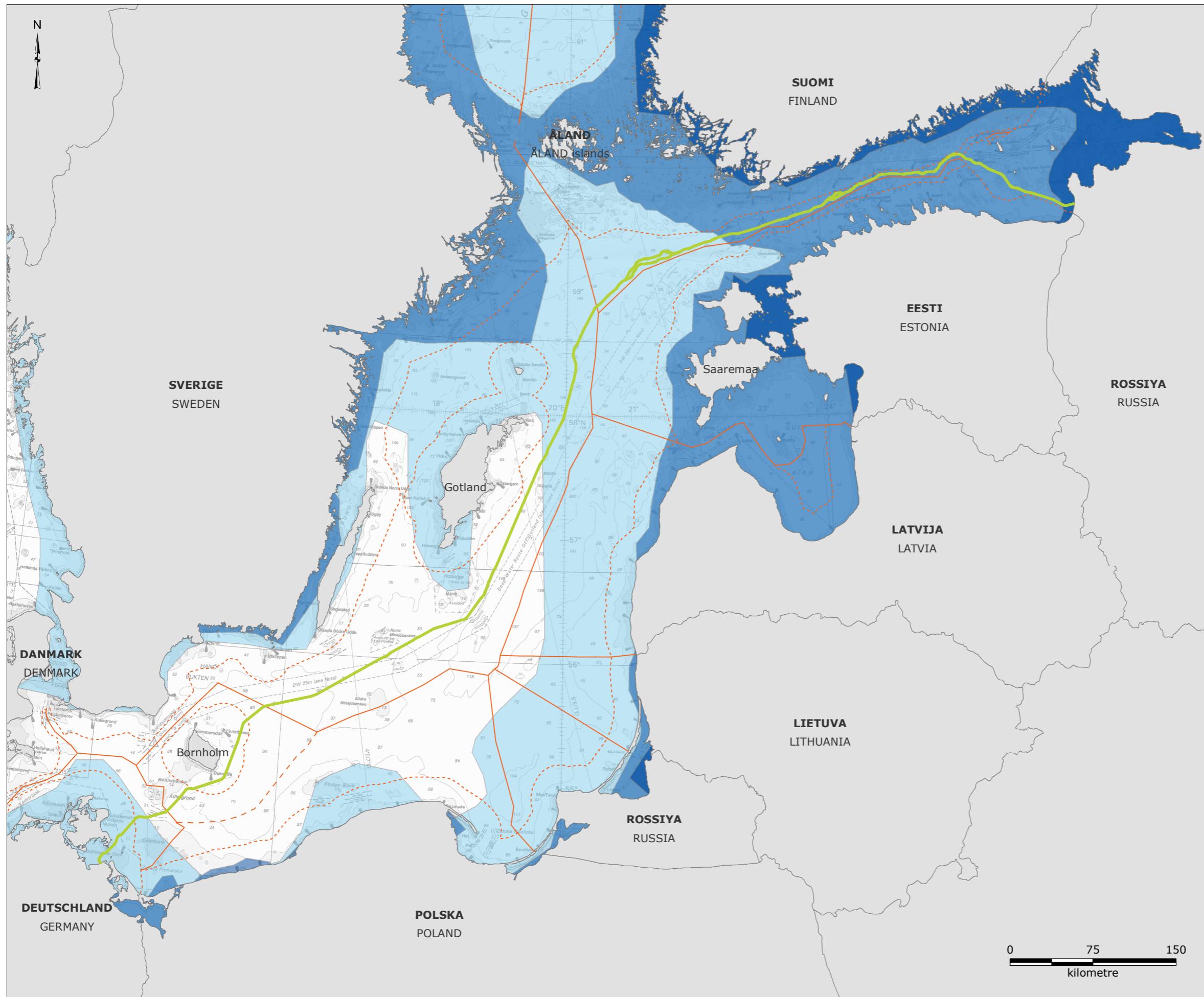
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Chemical and physical characteristics of seabed sediments

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Legend:

- NSP2 Route
- Territorial water border
- EEZ border
- Midline between Denmark and Poland
- Ice cover in 2014-2015 (mild winter)
- Ice cover in 2012-2013 (average winter)
- Ice cover in 2010-2011 (severe winter)

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Ice cover

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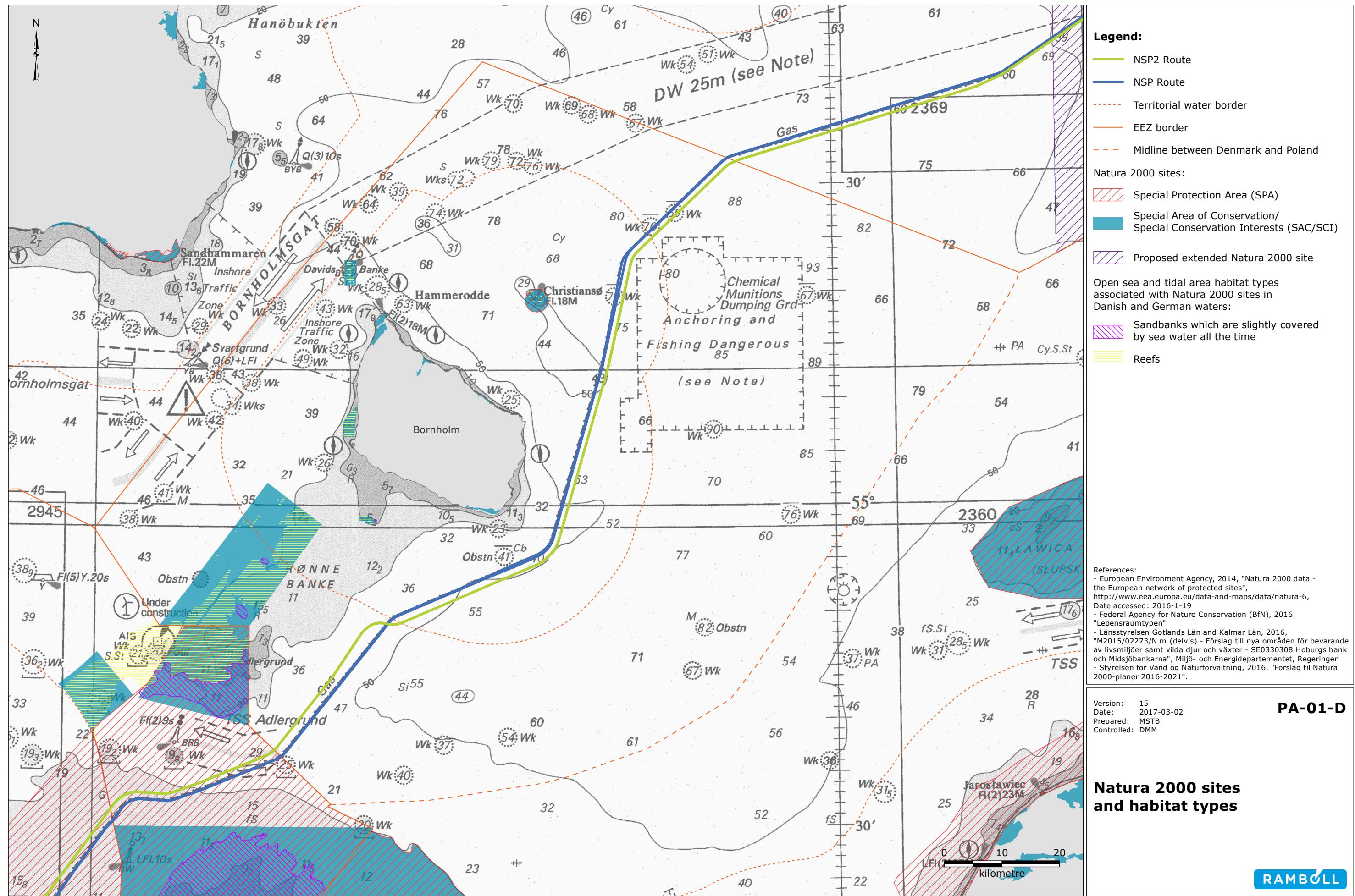
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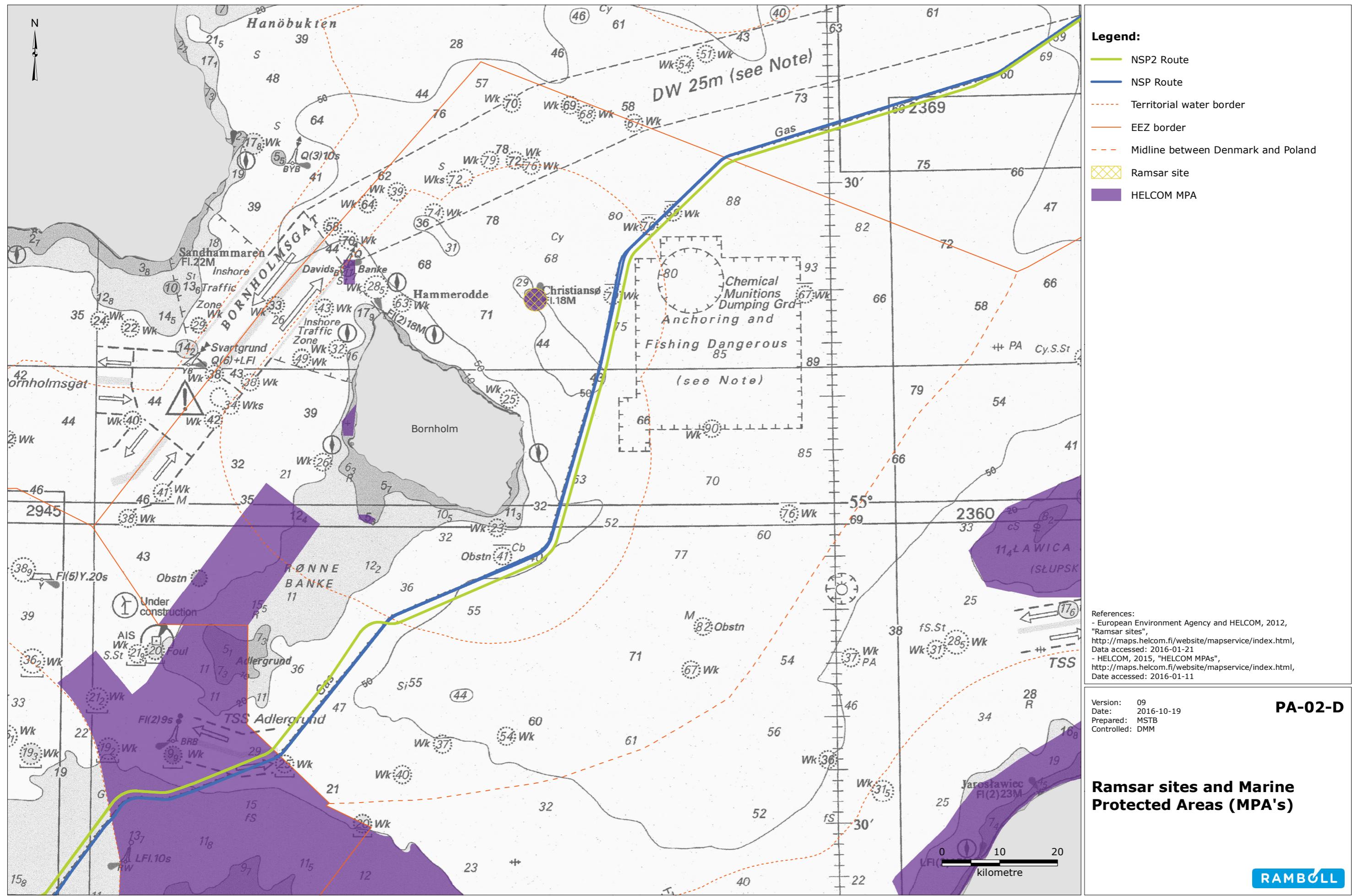
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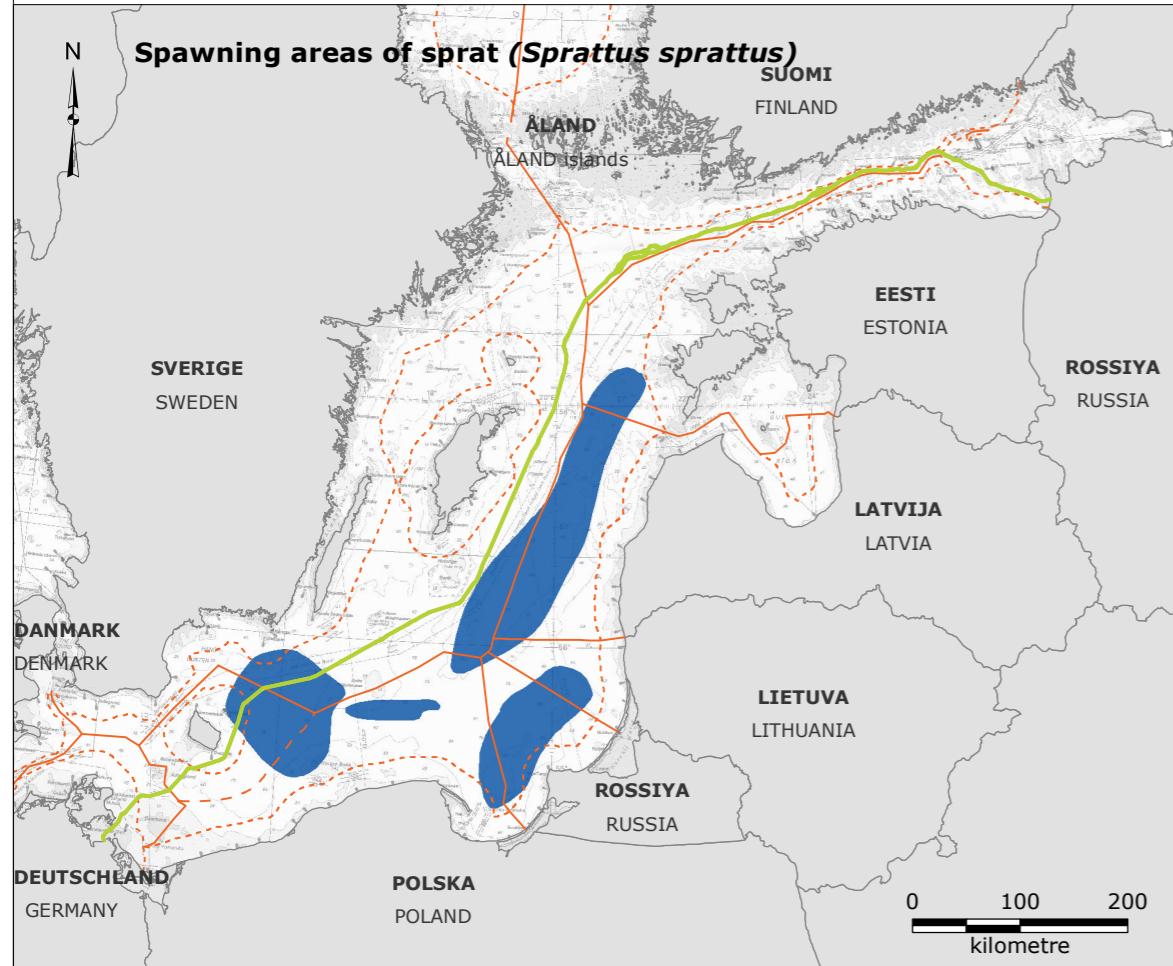
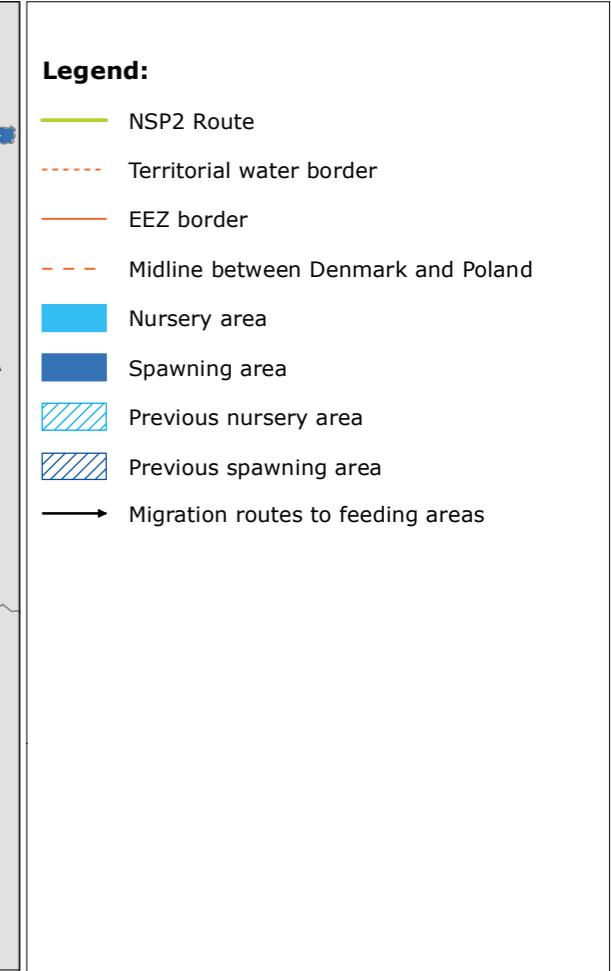
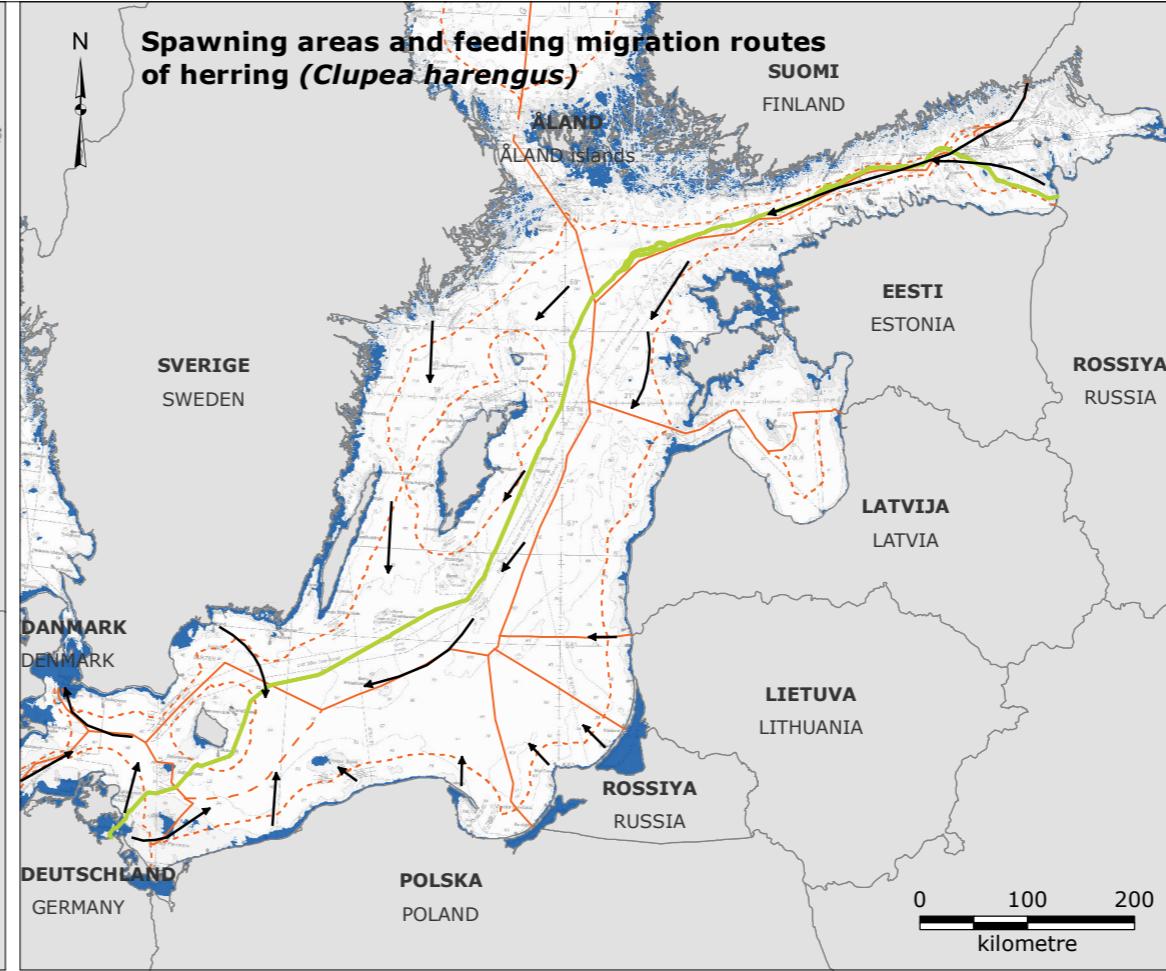
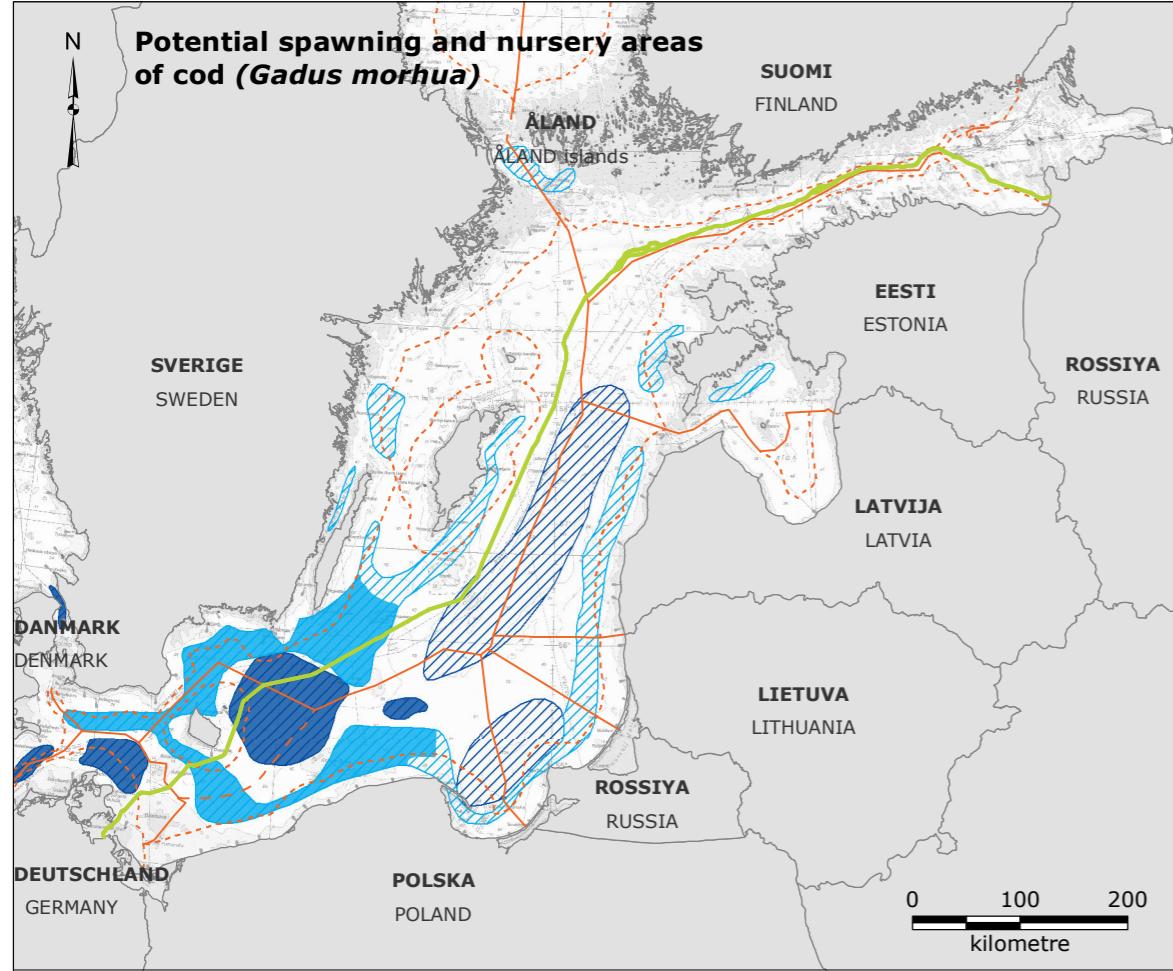
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MARINE MAMMALS

BIRDS







Note:
- Where areas are referred to as 'previous', this refers to up to the year 2000 /ICES 2012/

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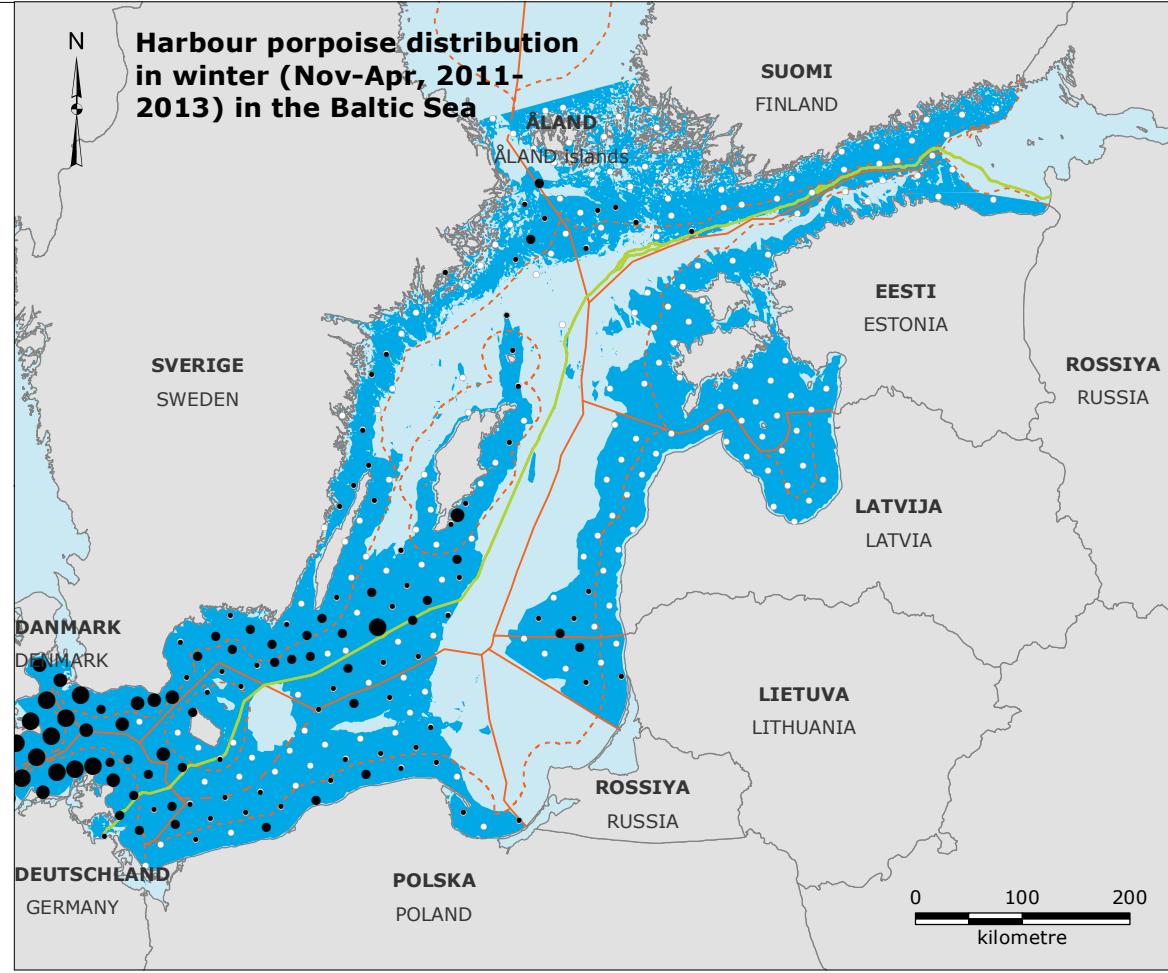
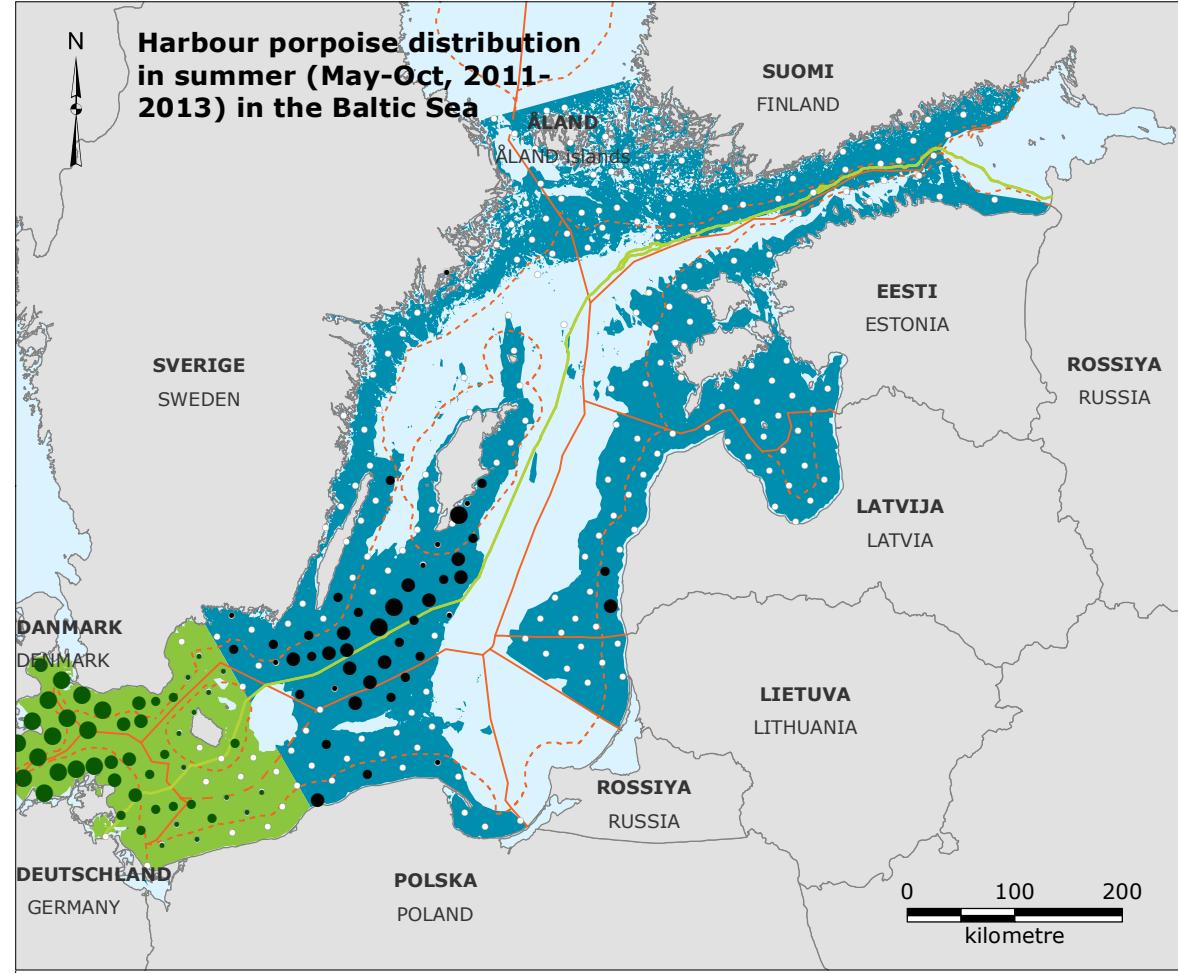
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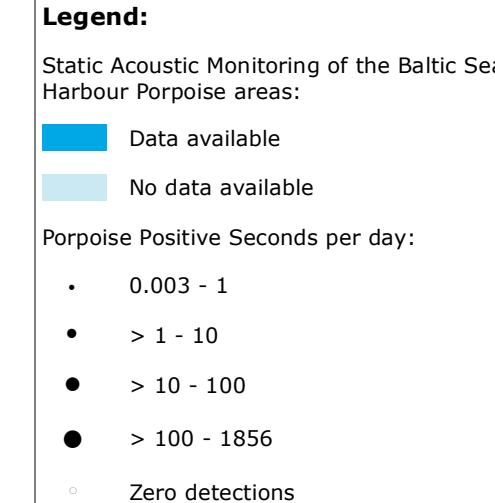
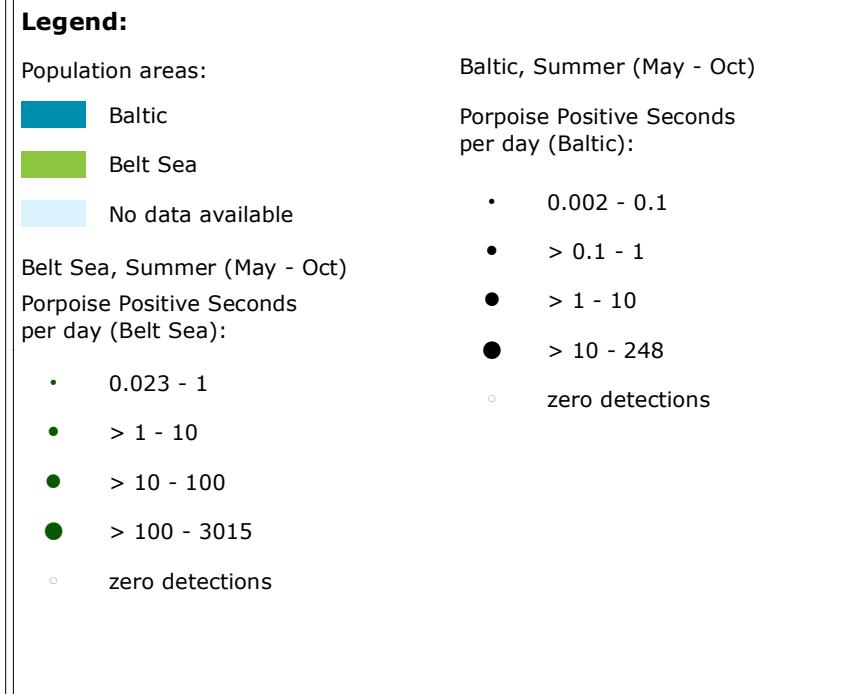
Spawning areas of cod, herring, and sprat

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Legend:

- NSP2 Route
- Territorial water border
- EEZ border
- Midline between Denmark and Poland



Notes:

- Harbour porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*) distribution in winter (Nov-Apr) and summer (May-Oct)
- It is only possible to separate the Baltic Sea and Belt Sea harbour porpoise populations in summer
- Porpoise Positive Seconds is the encounter rate, measured as proportion of click positive seconds per second
- Data collected by CPODs under the Static Acoustic Monitoring of the Baltic Sea Harbour Porpoise project

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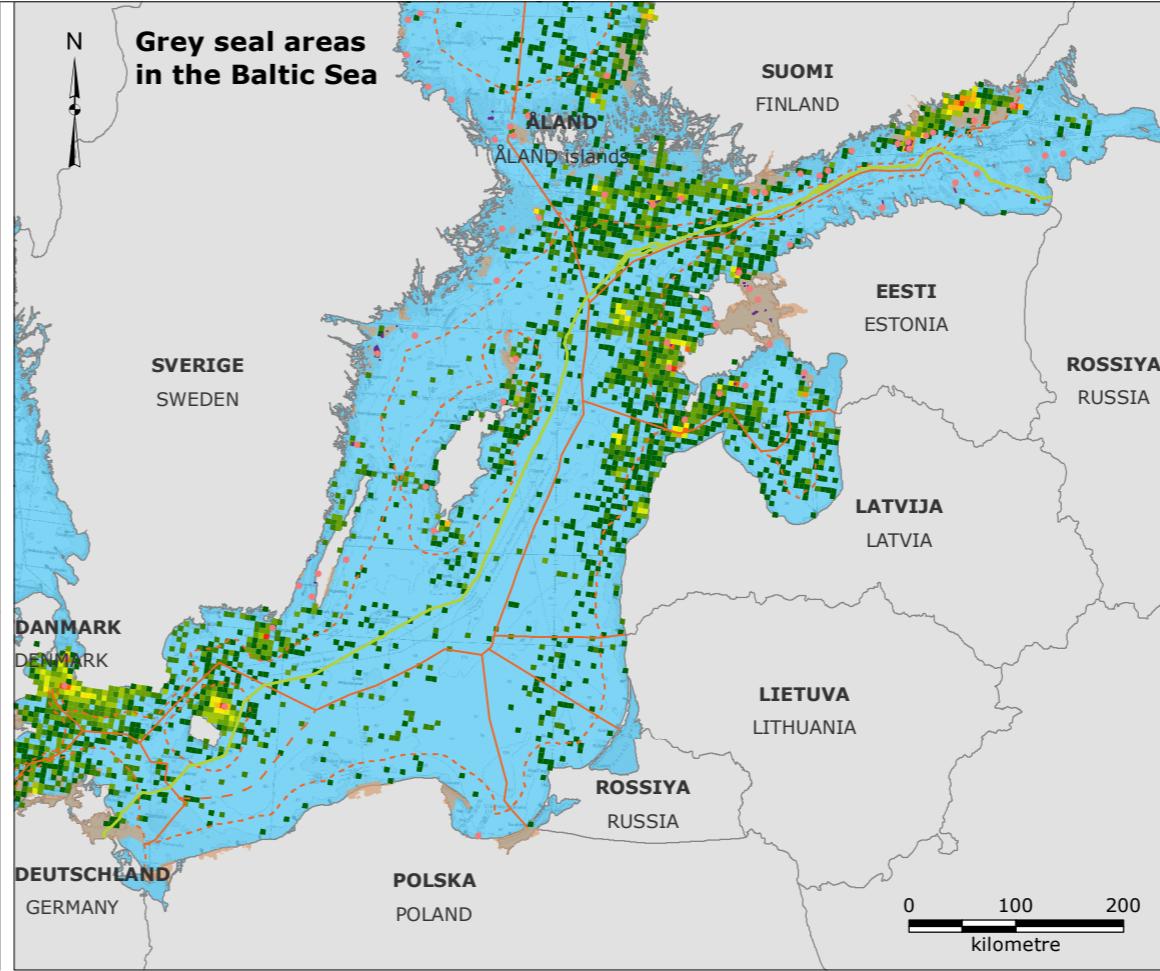
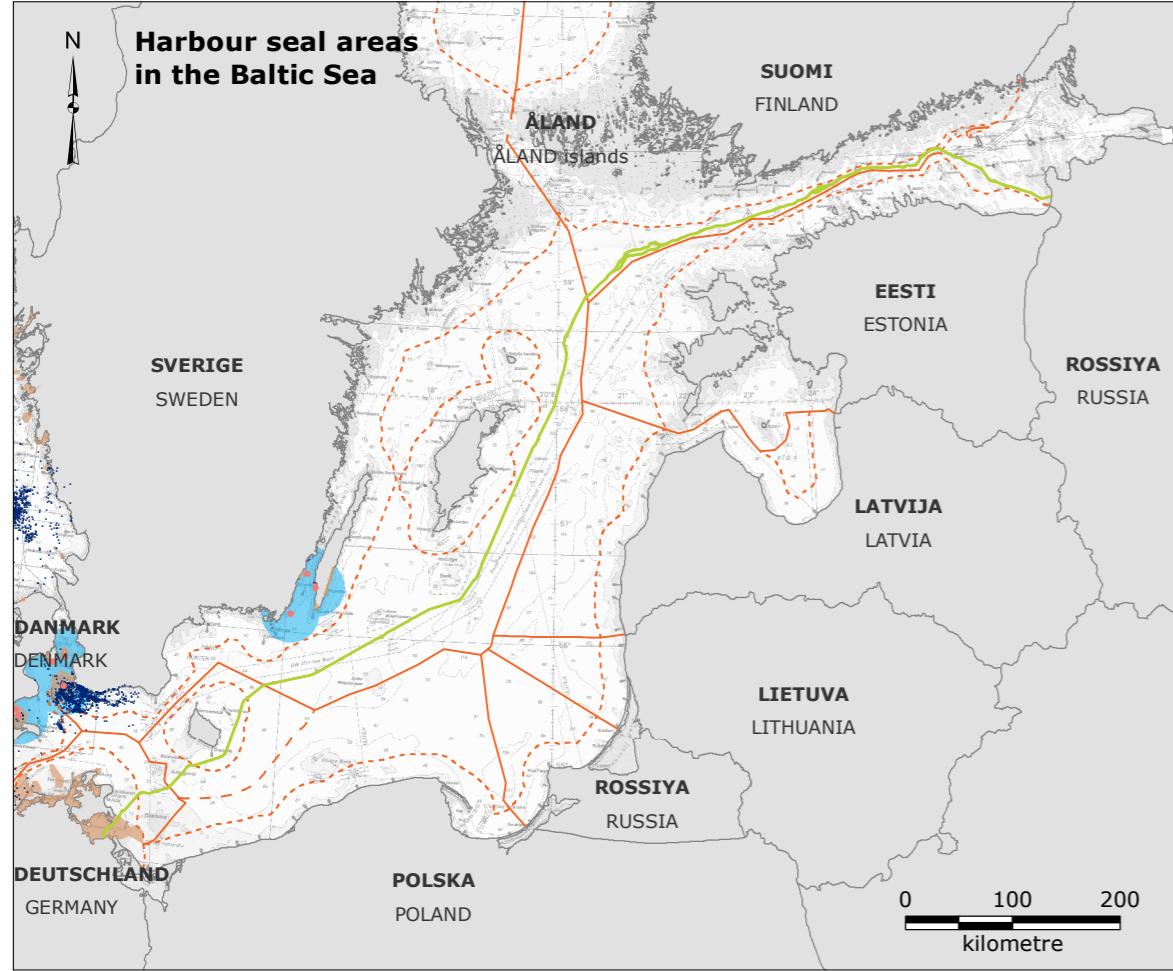
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Harbour porpoise distribution

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Legend:

- NSP2 Route
- Territorial water border
- EEZ border
- Midline between Denmark and Poland

Legend:

Harbour seals:

- Colonies
- Satellite tracking locations (HELCOM data, n=30)
- Harbour seal sanctuary
- Natura 2000 site designated for harbour seals
- Regular occurrence (27 km zone)

Legend:

Grey seals:

- Colonies
- Grey seal sanctuary
- Natura 2000 site designated for grey seals
- Regular occurrence (380 km zone)

Grey seal distribution in 2015:
(Number of observations)

1
2
3 - 6
7 - 11
12 - 17
18 - 25
26 - 45
46 - 77
78 - 113
114 - 432

Note:

- Satellite tracking based on number of tagged seals
- Regular occurrence represents maximum tagging distance from colony

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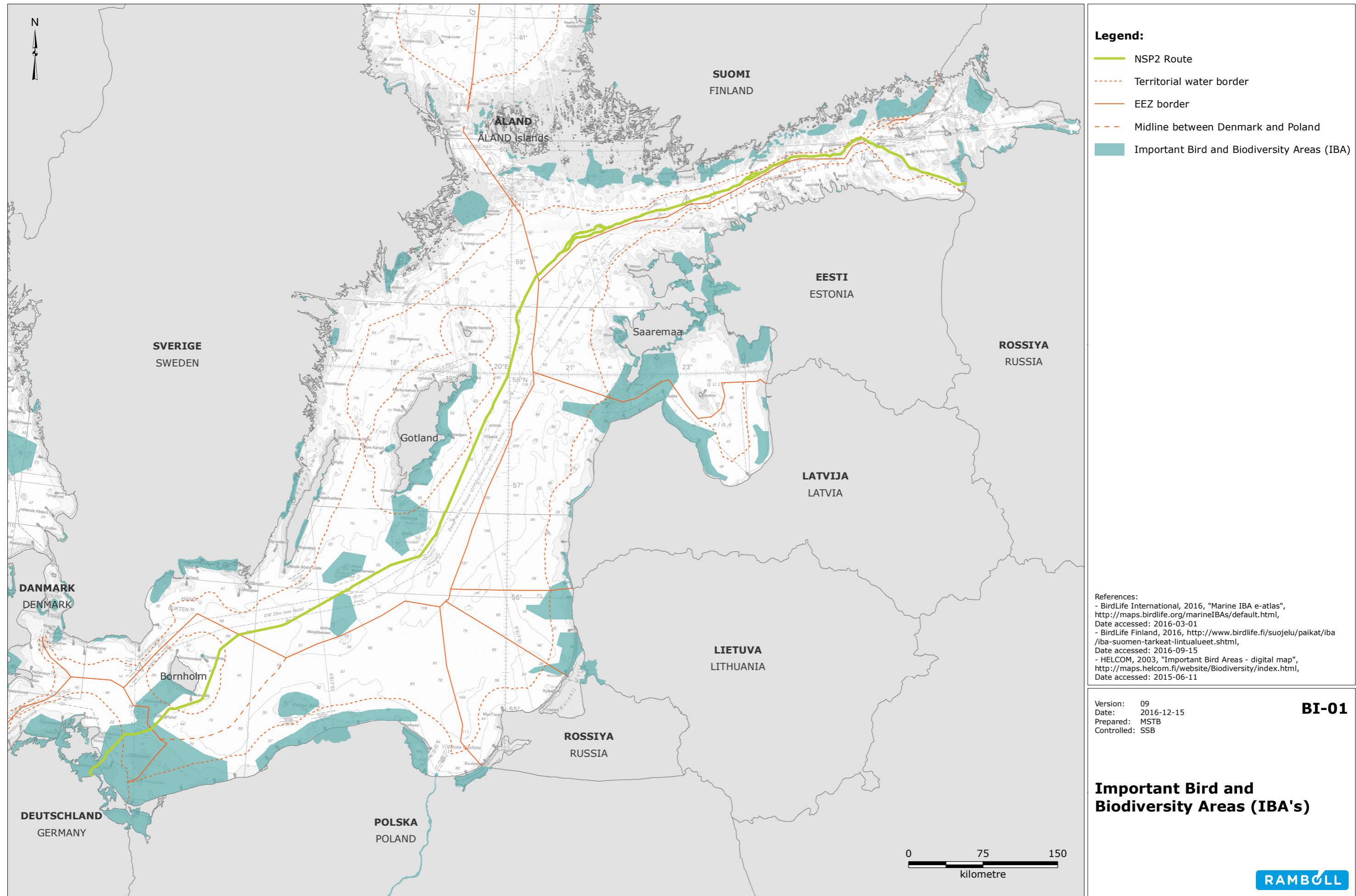
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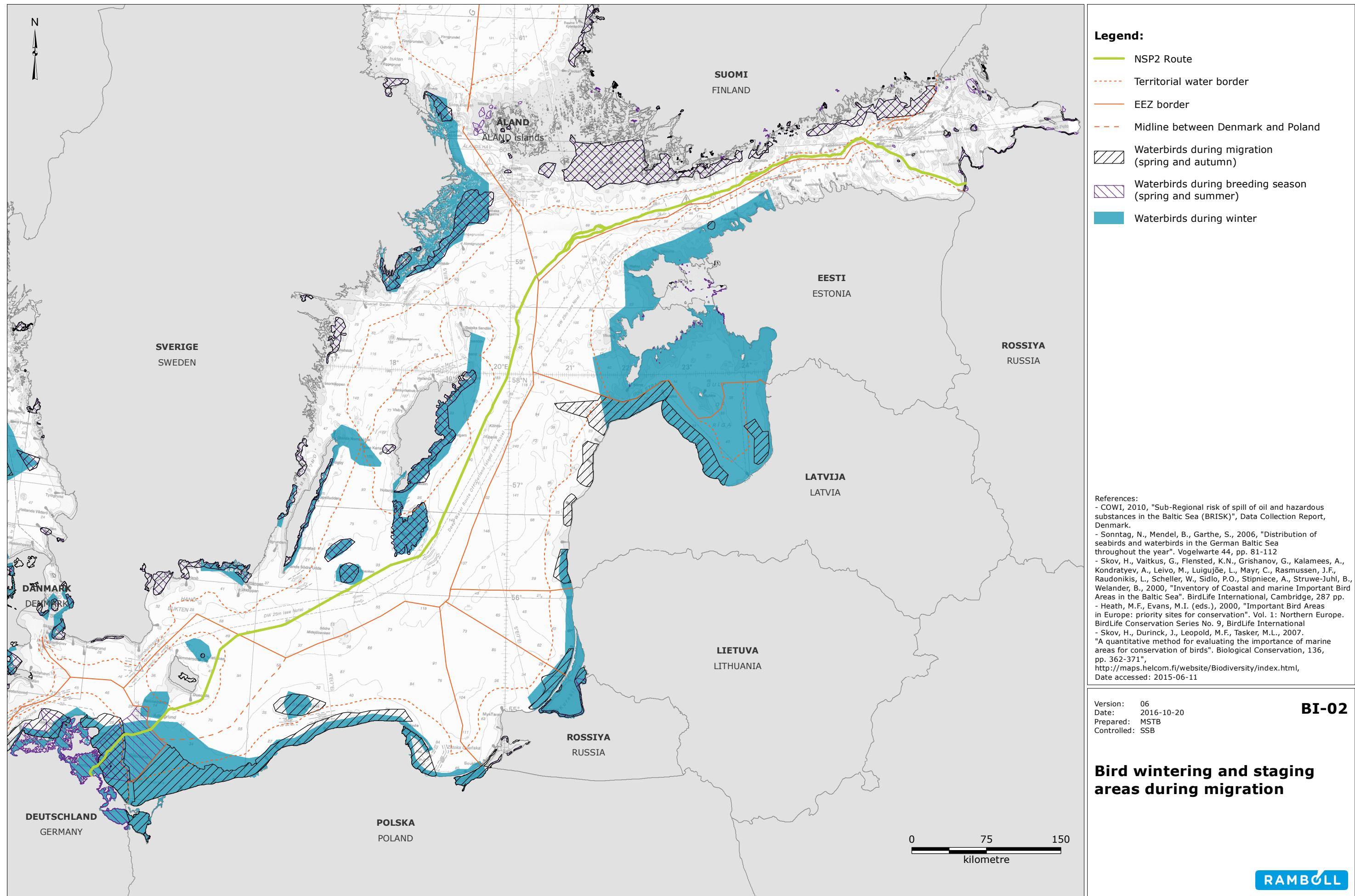
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Harbour seal and grey seal areas

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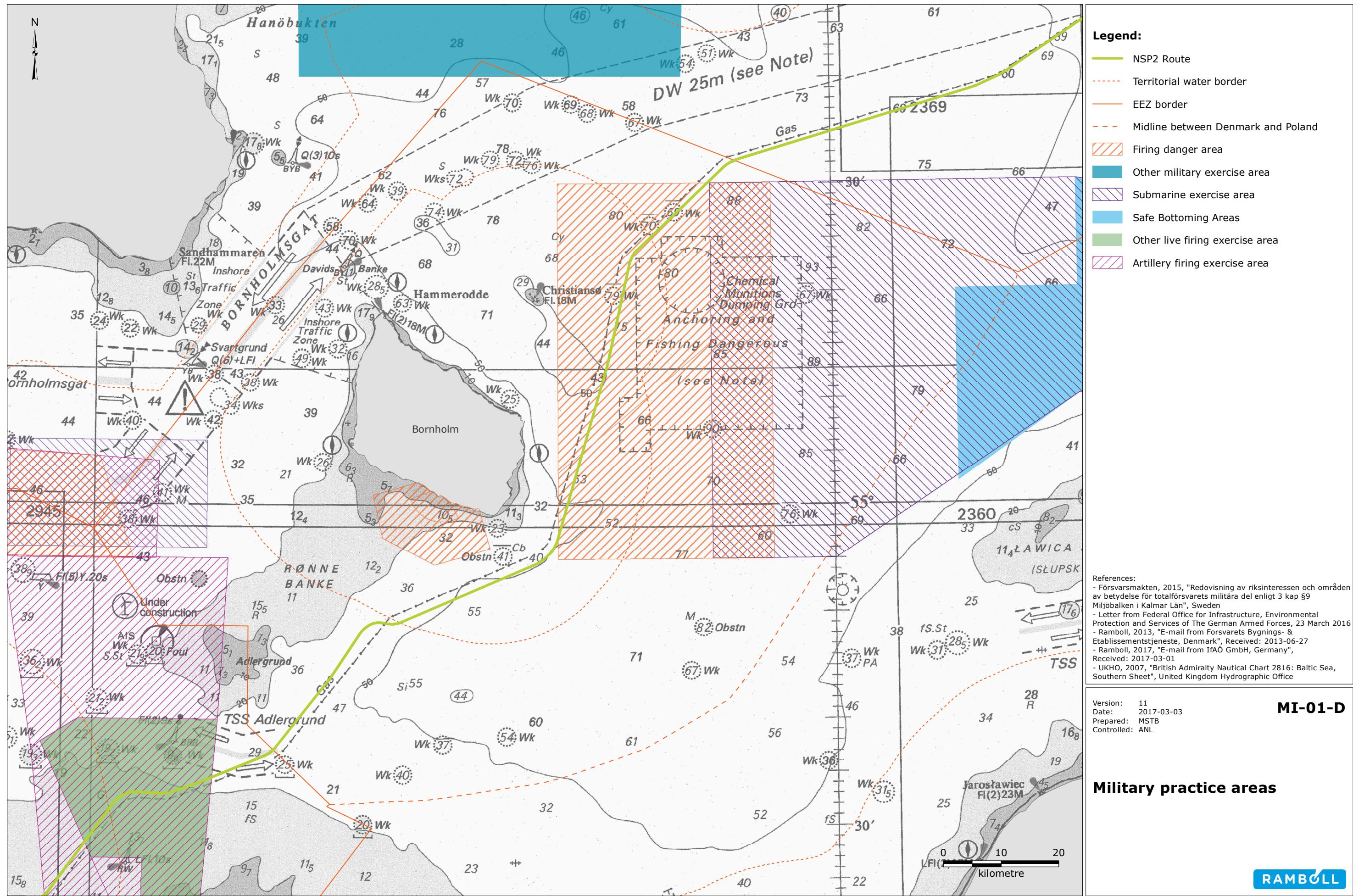
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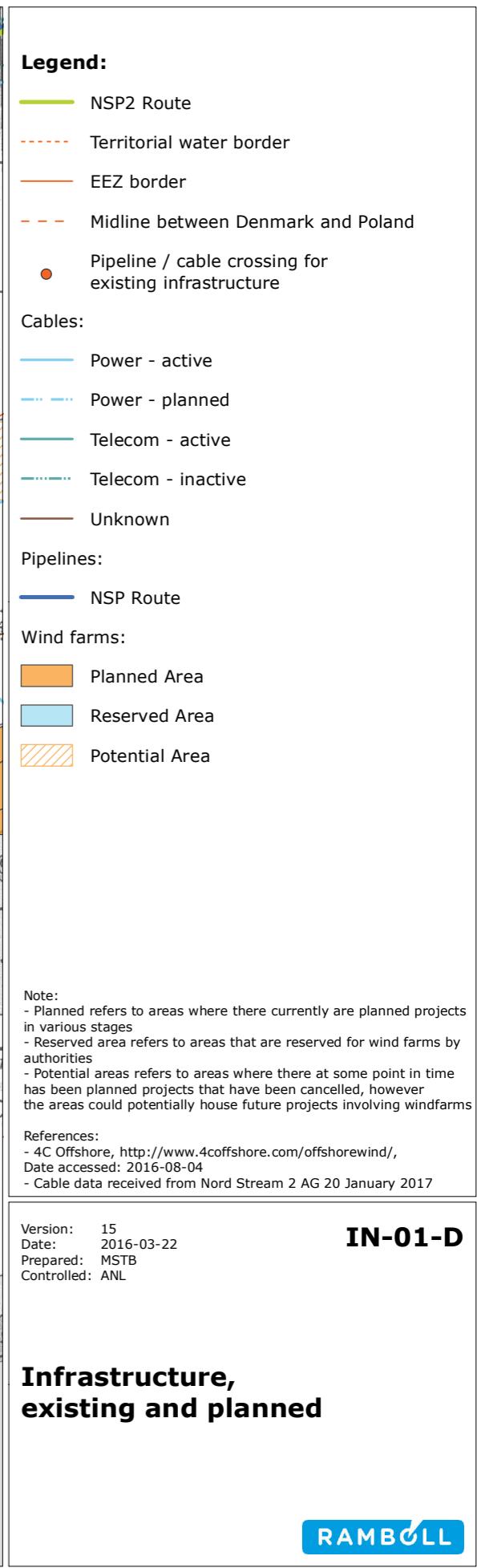
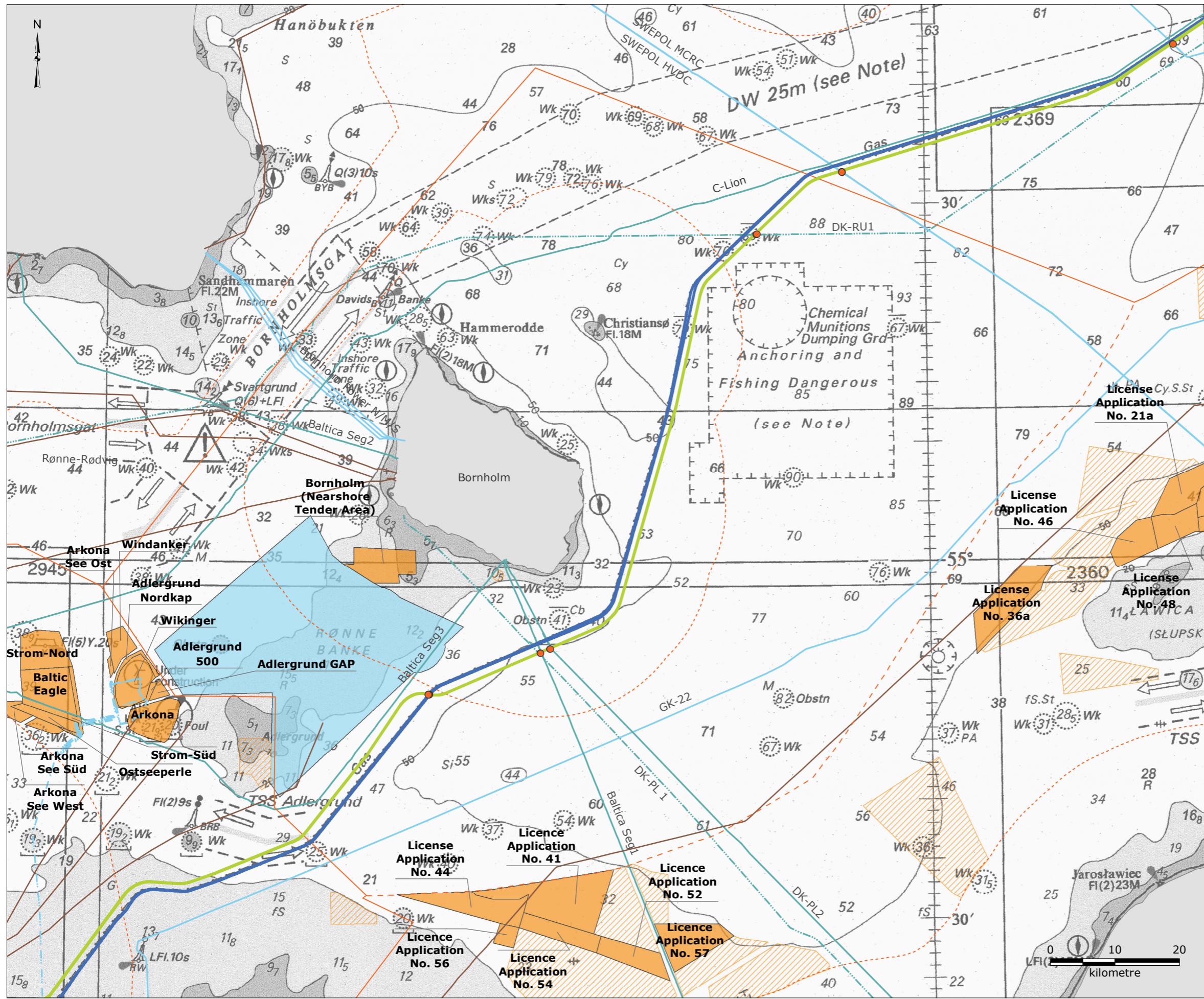
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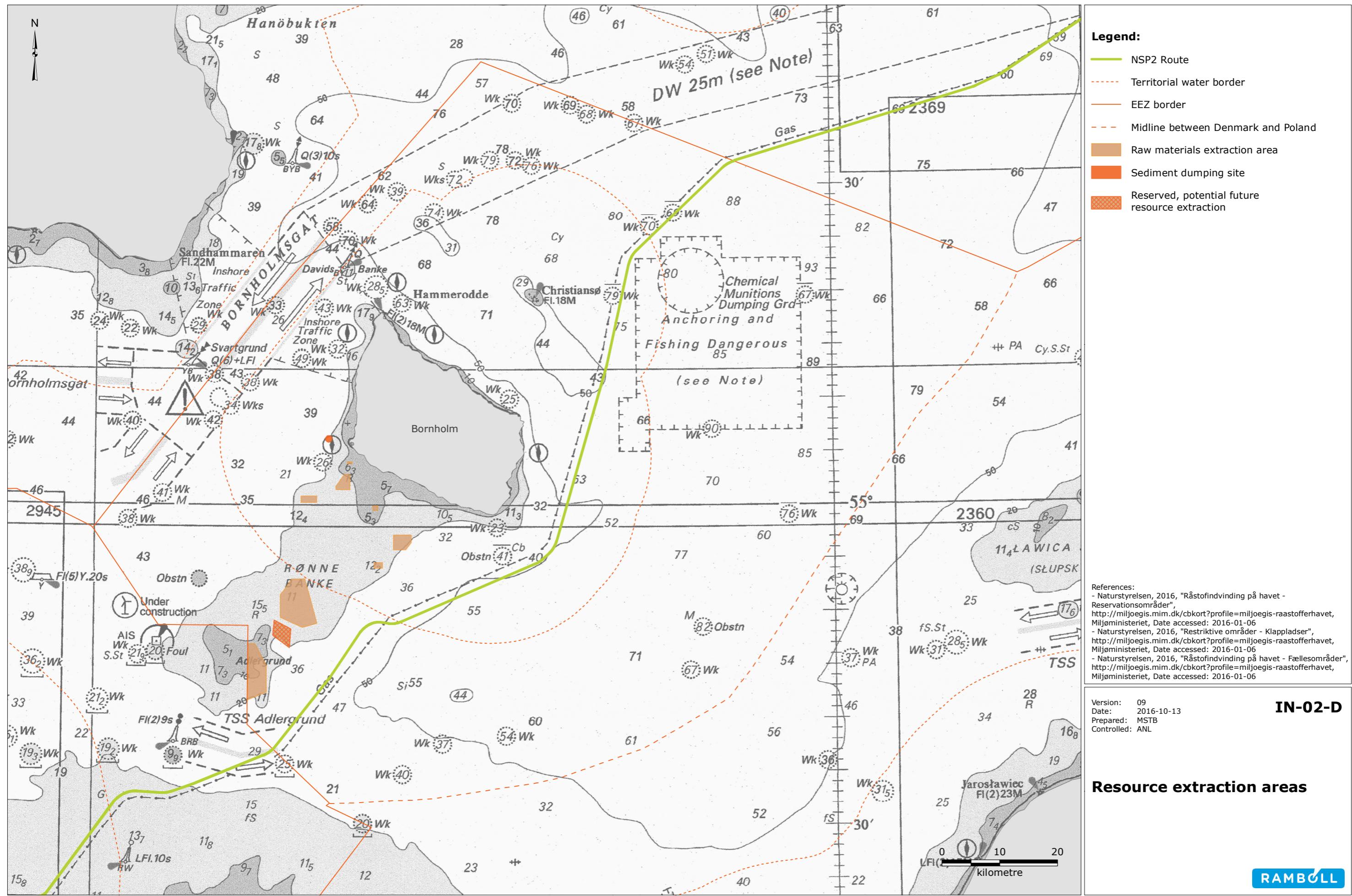
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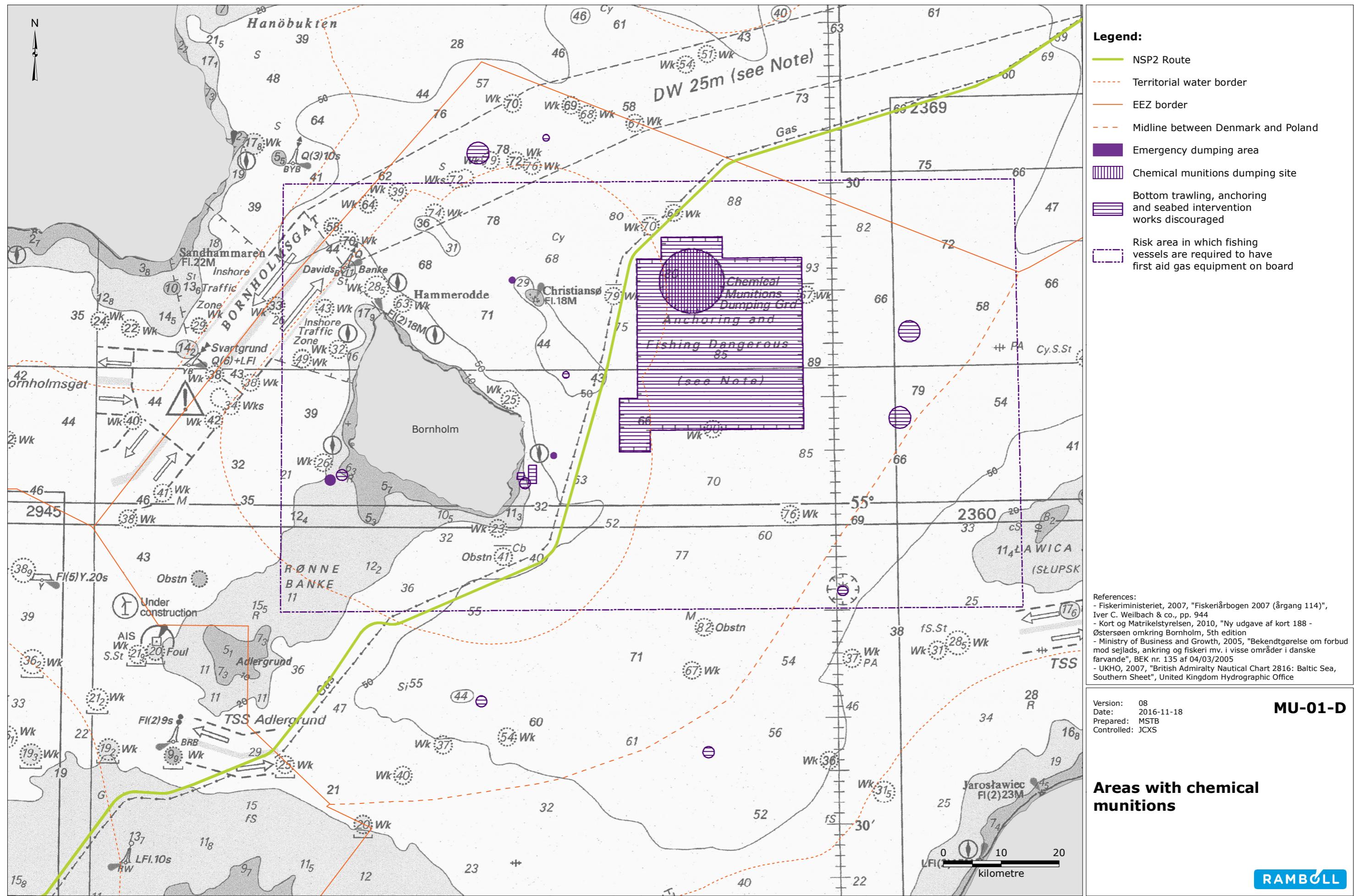
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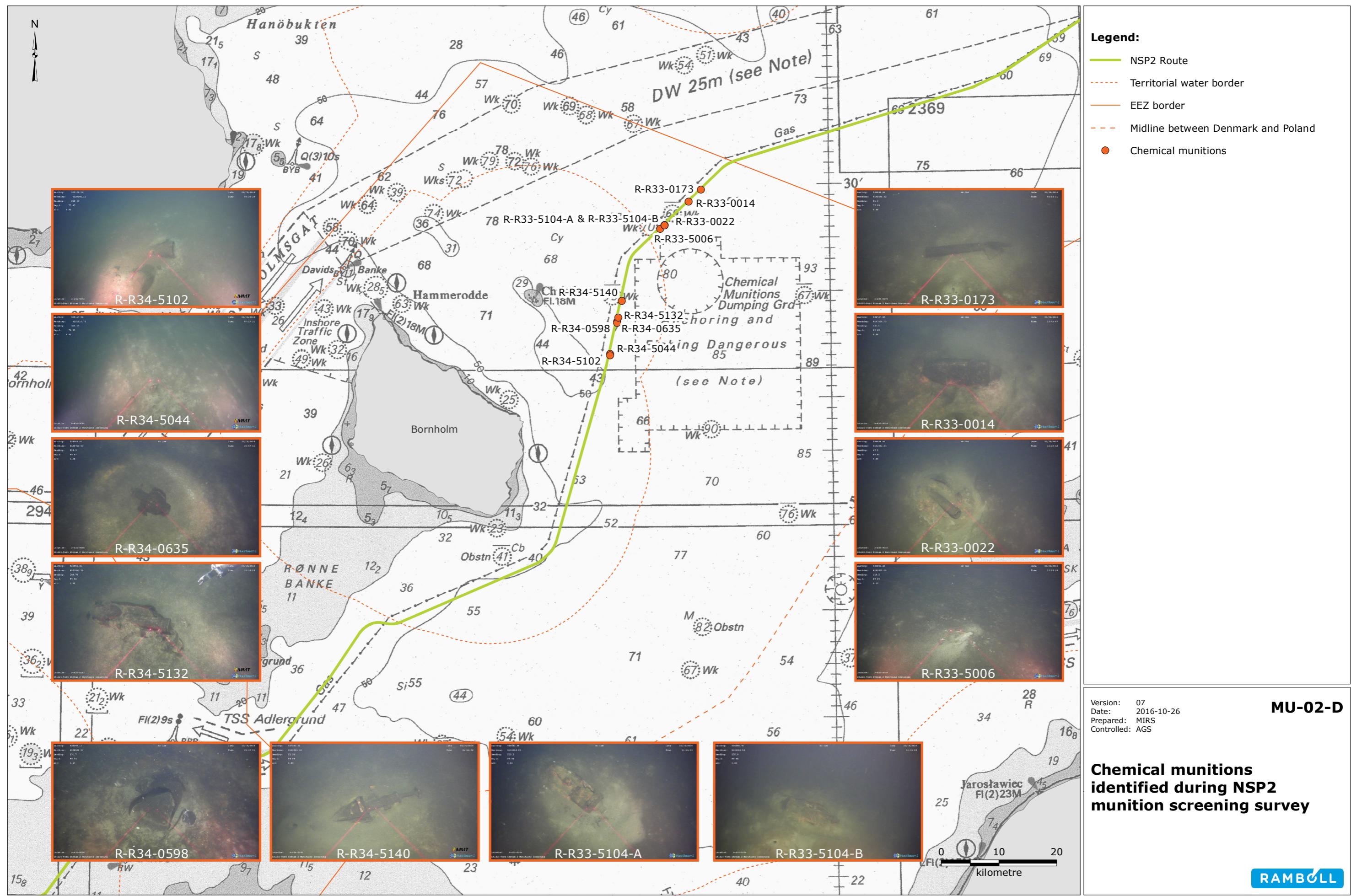
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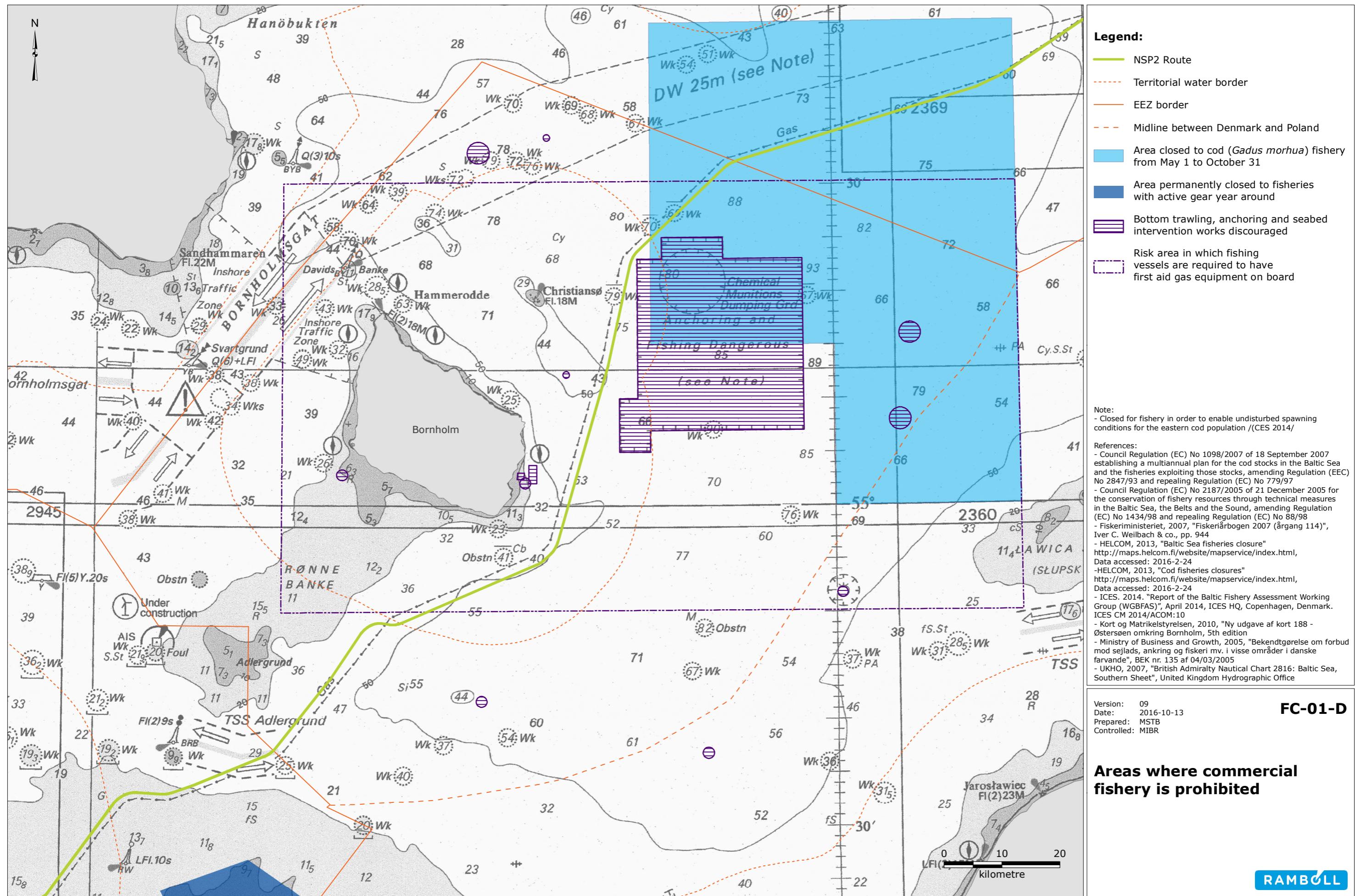


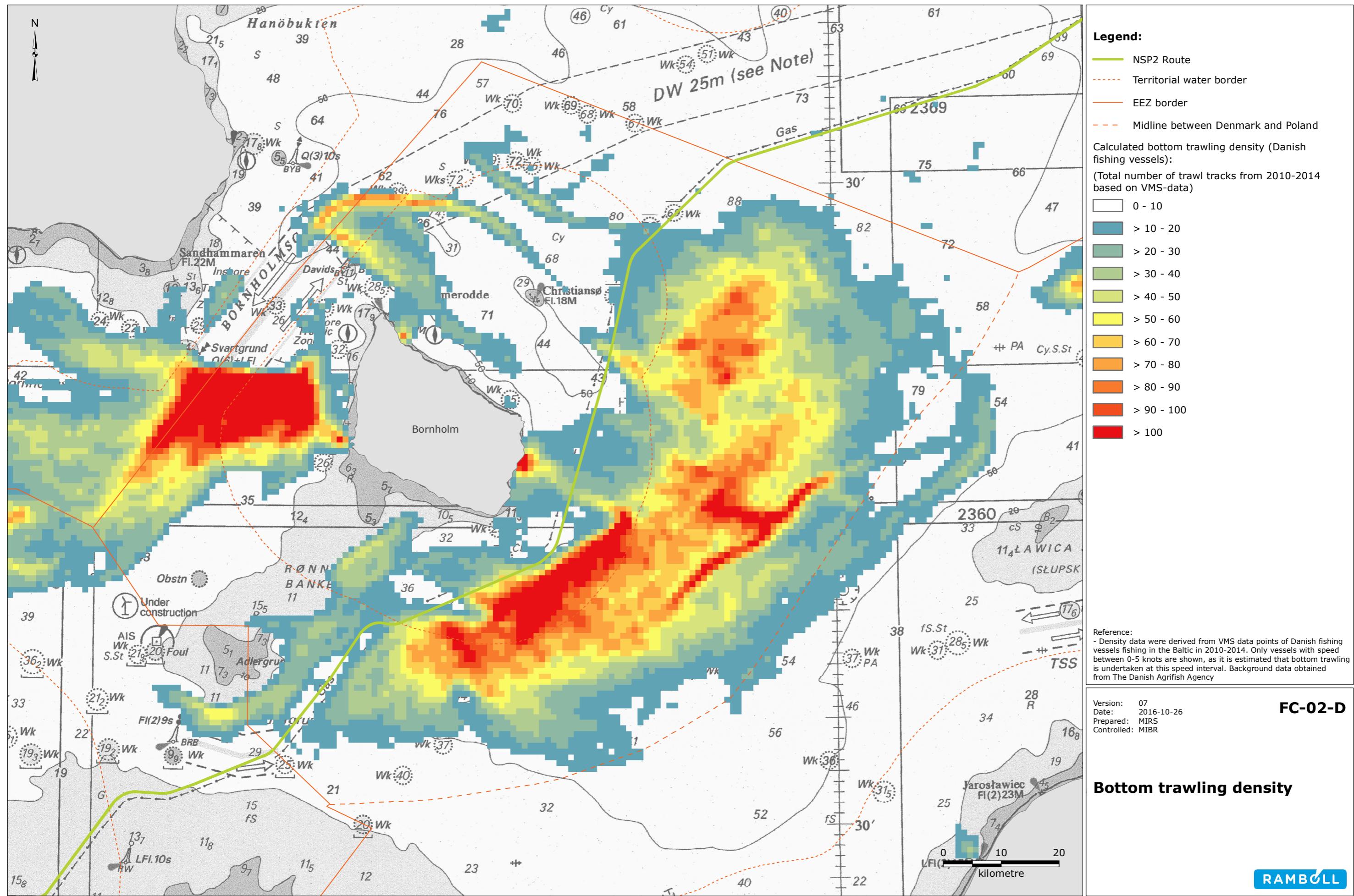


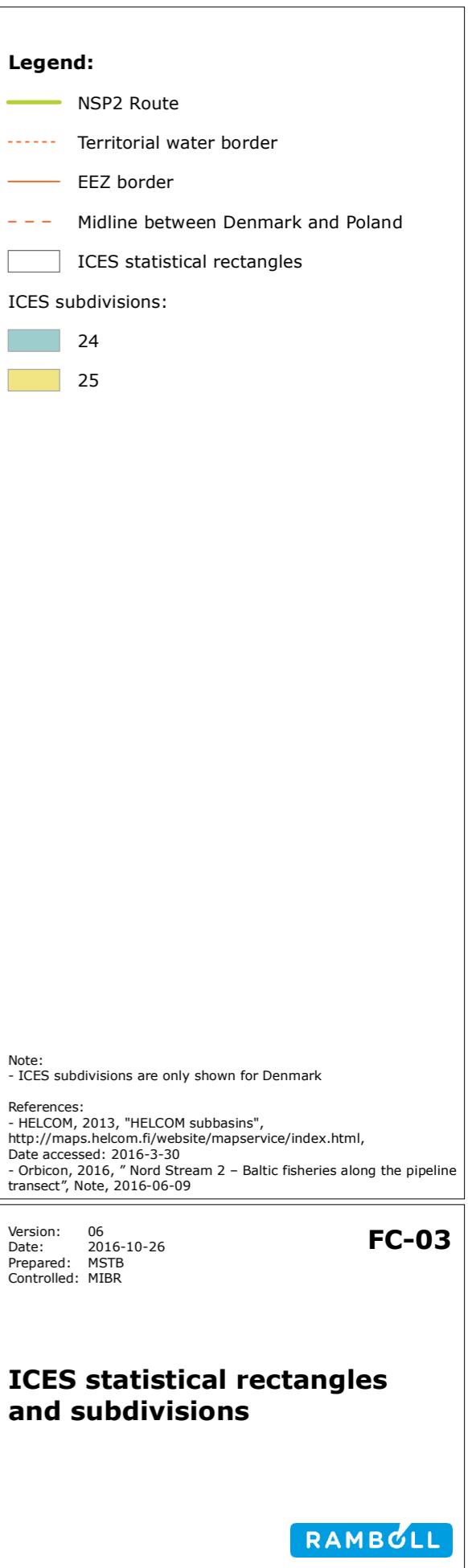
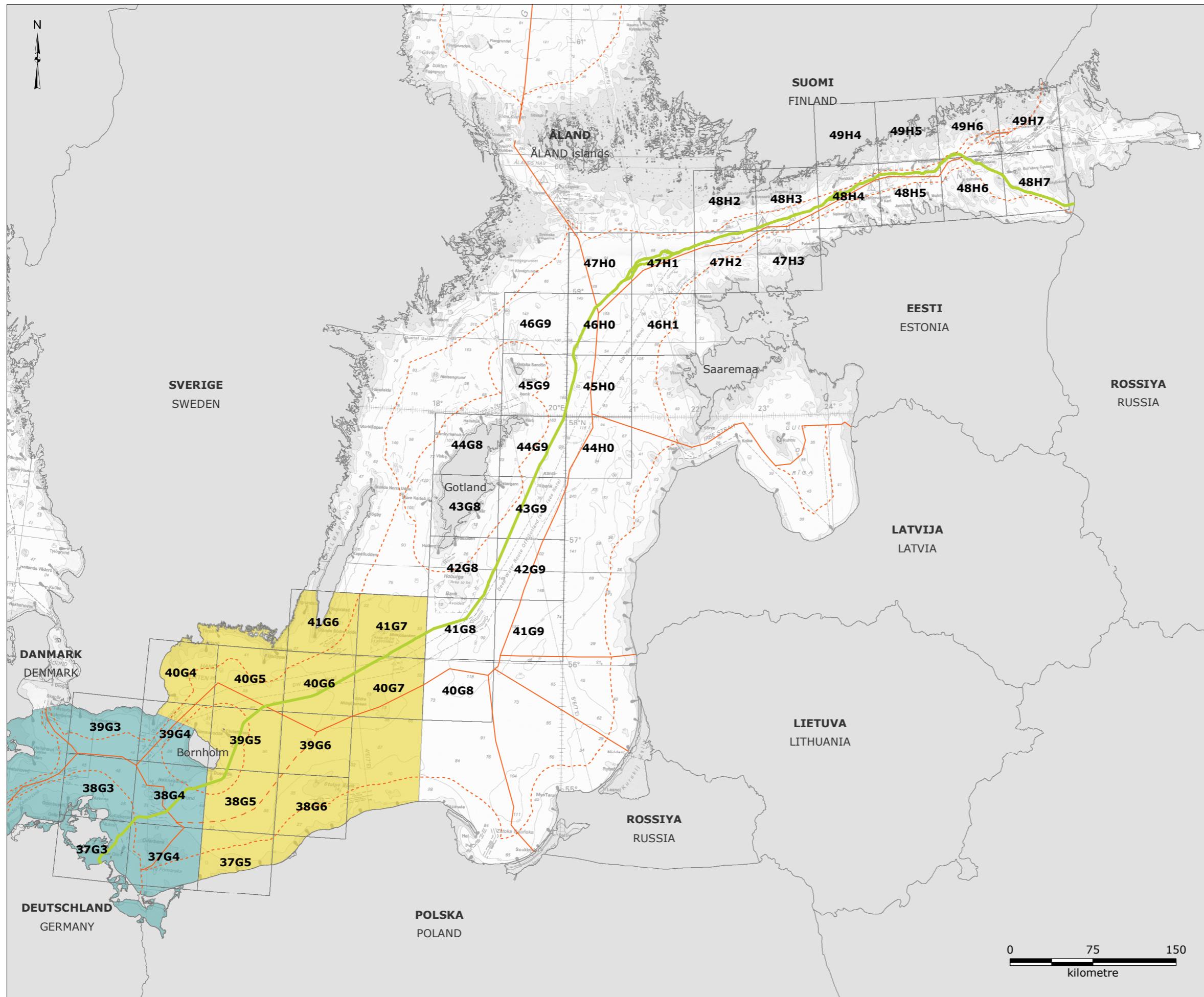


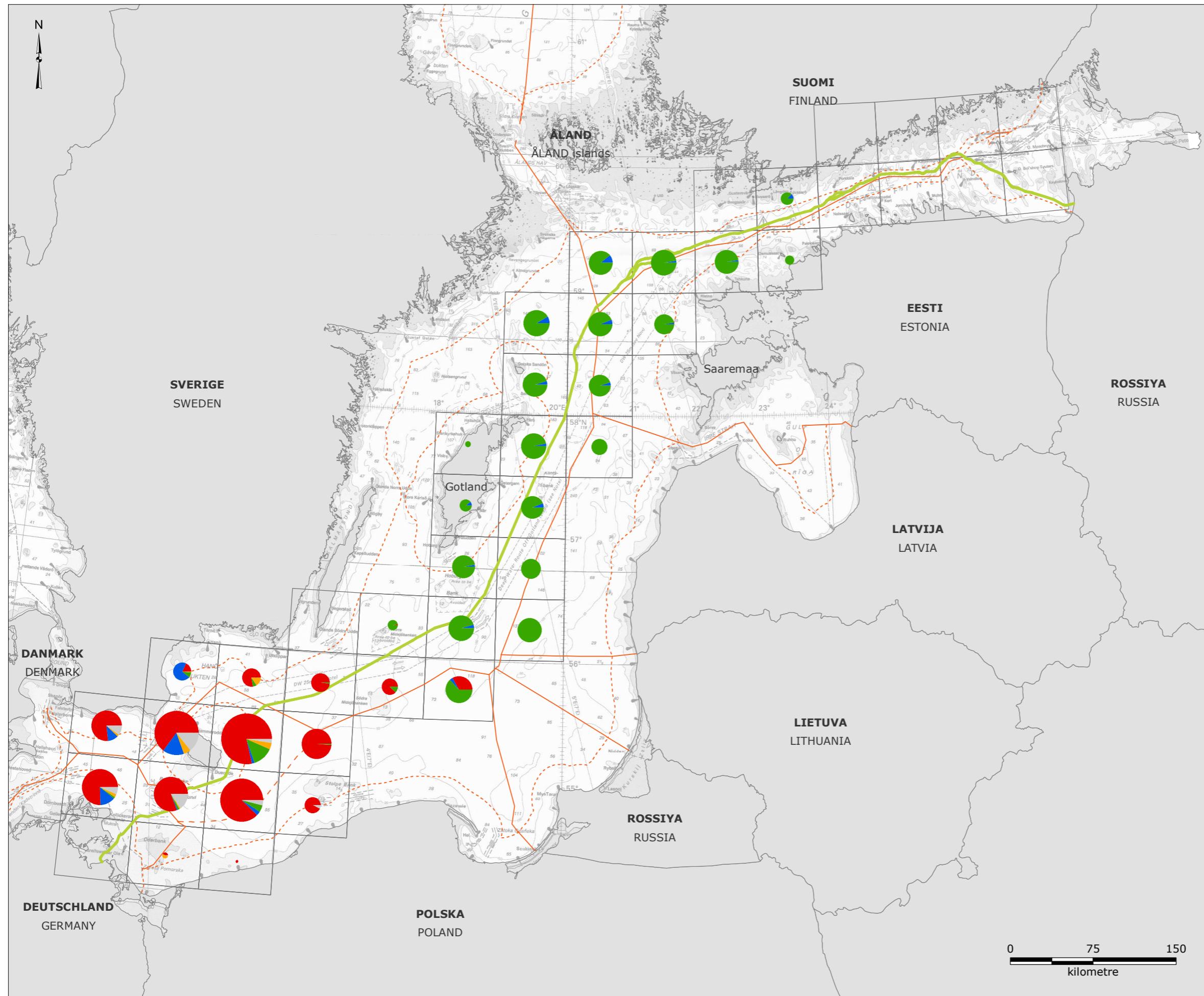


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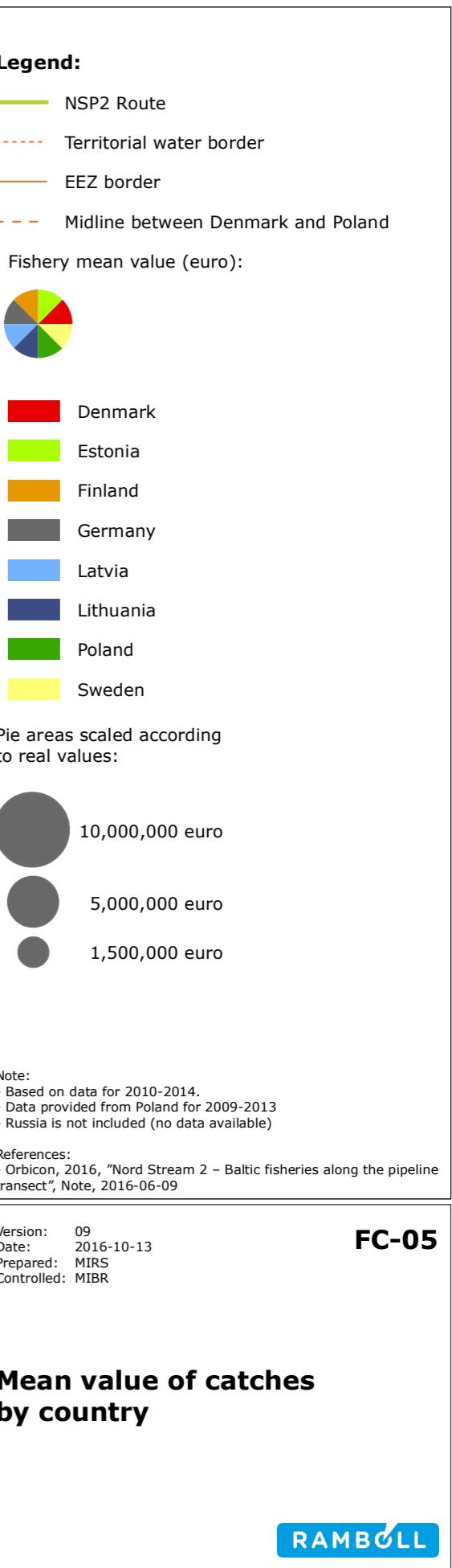
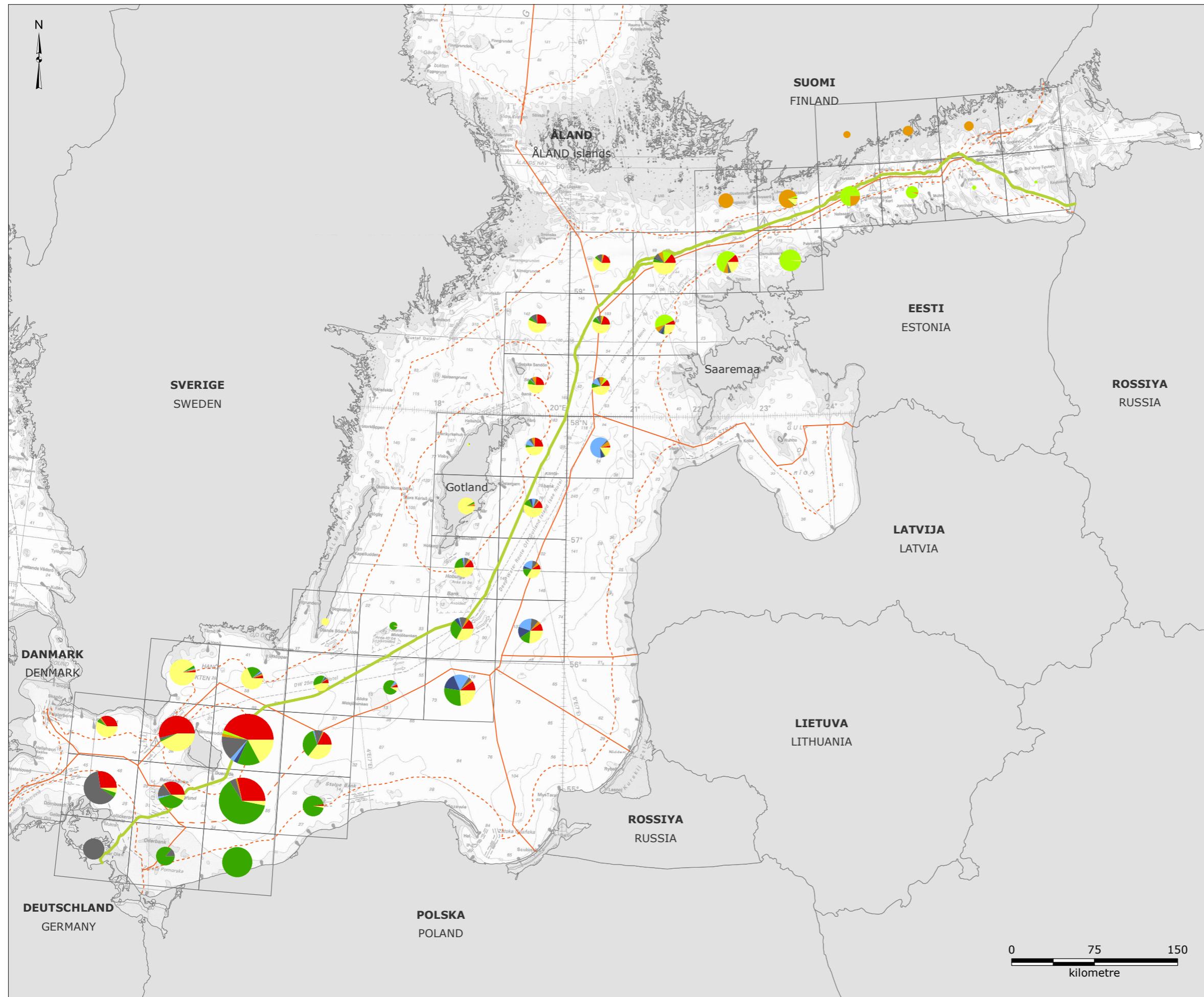


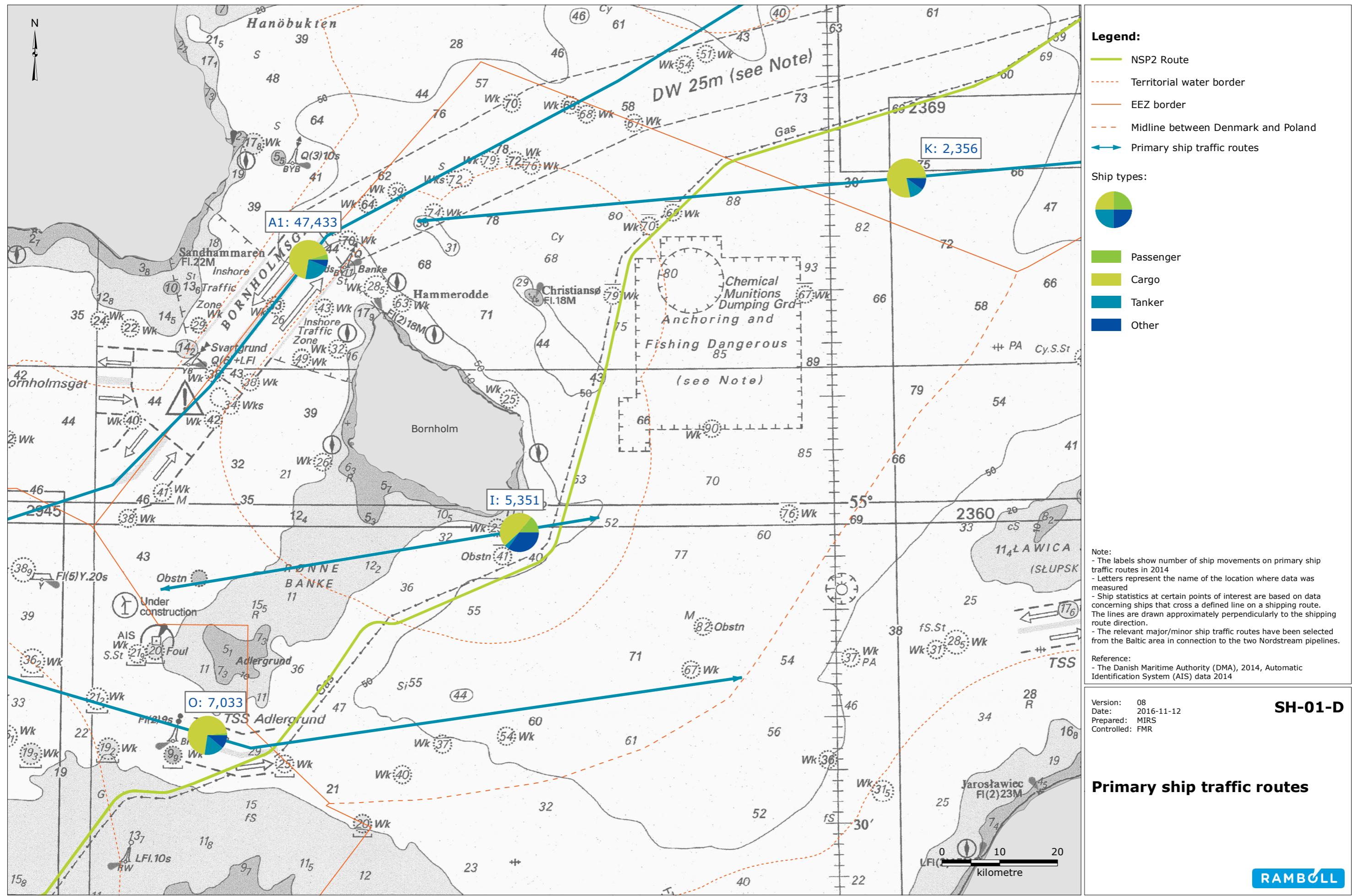


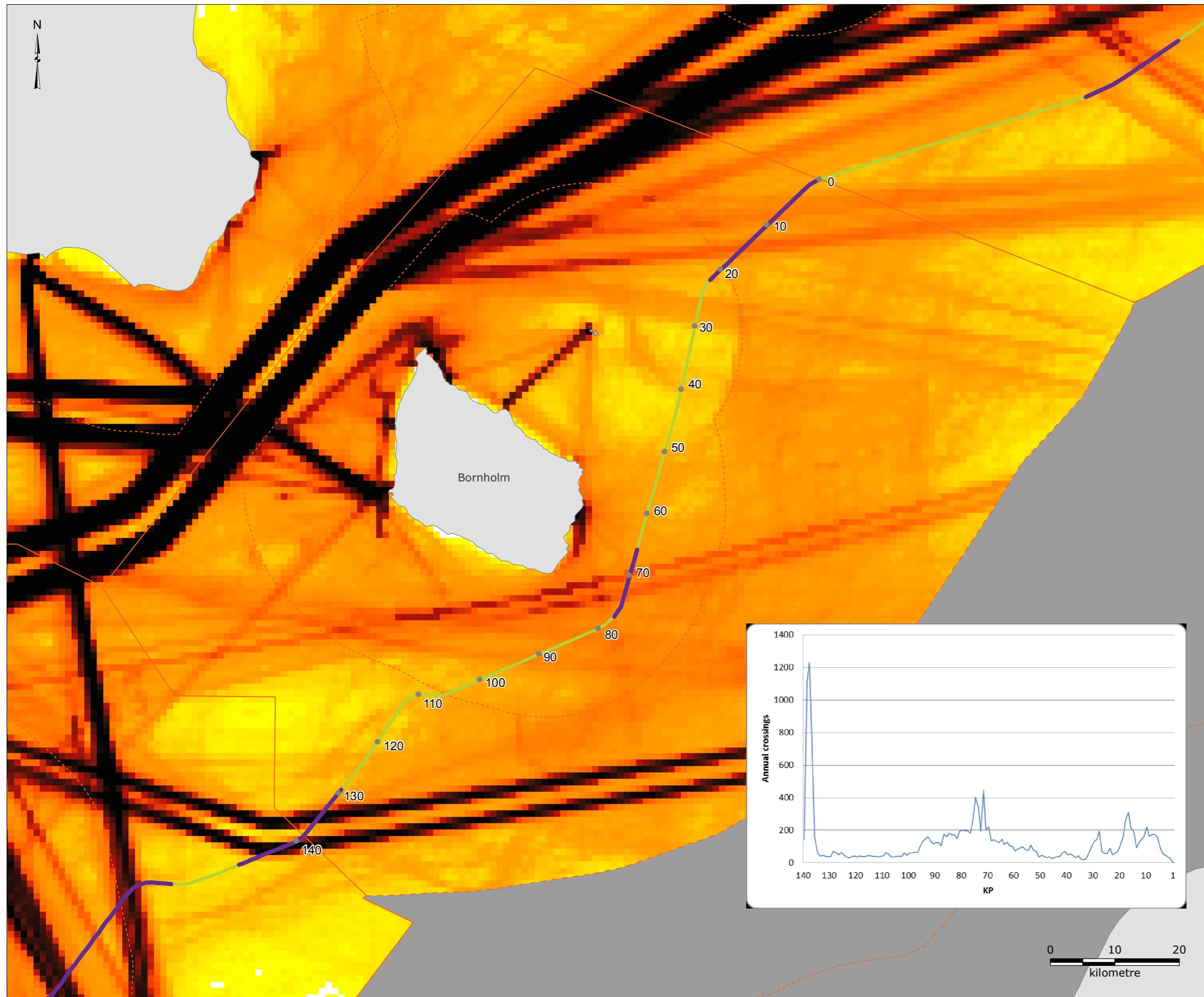
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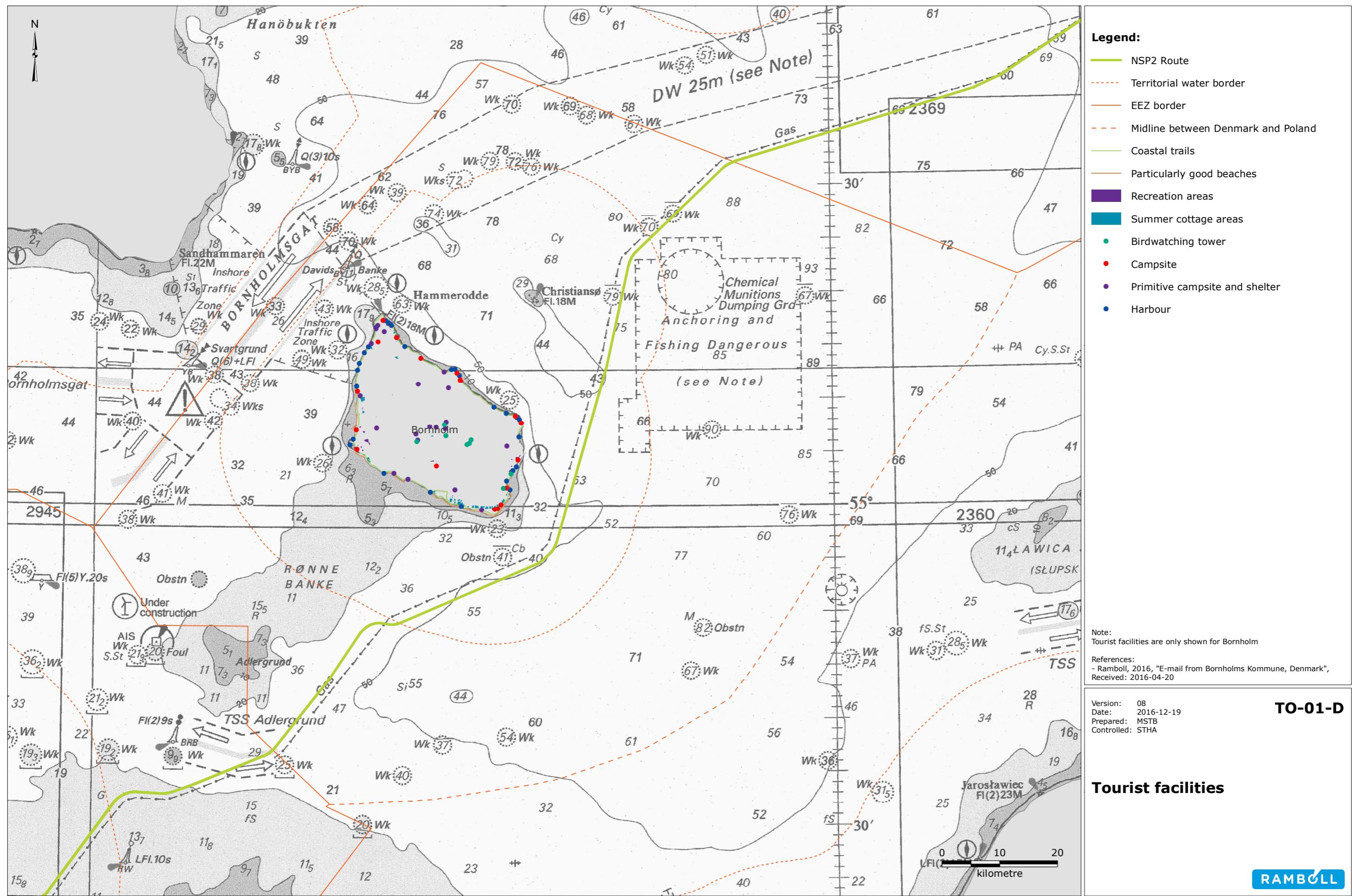
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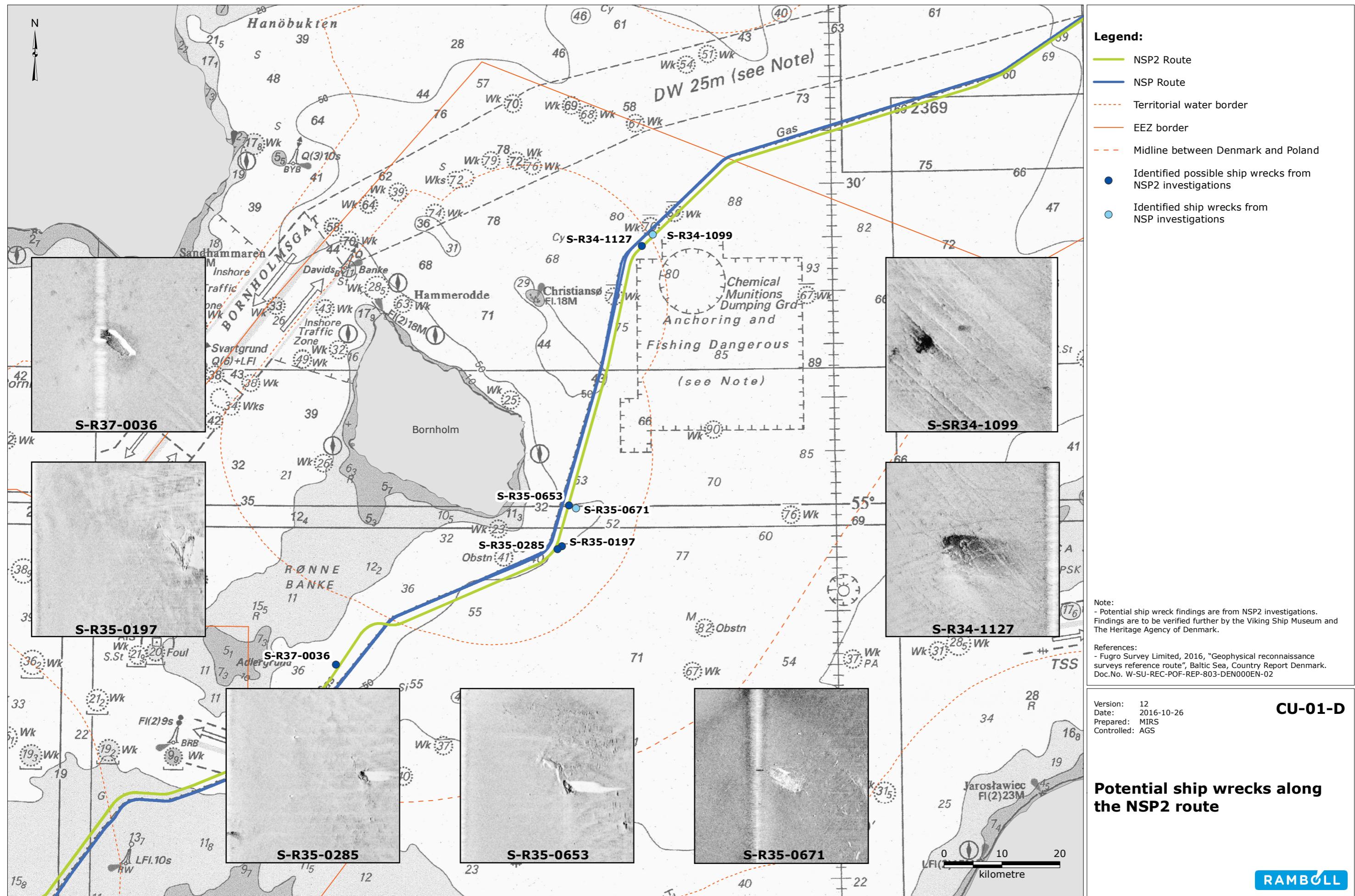
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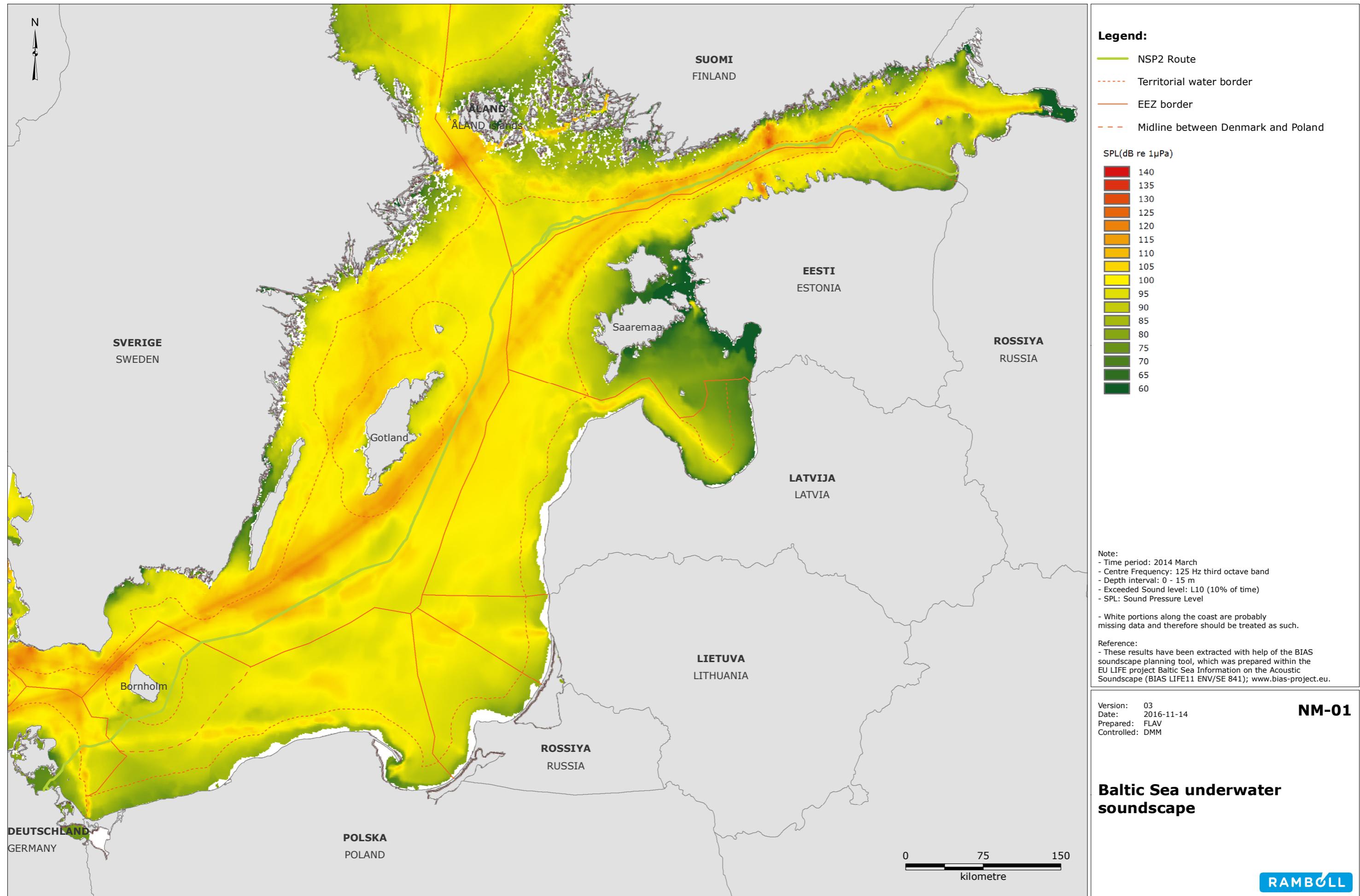


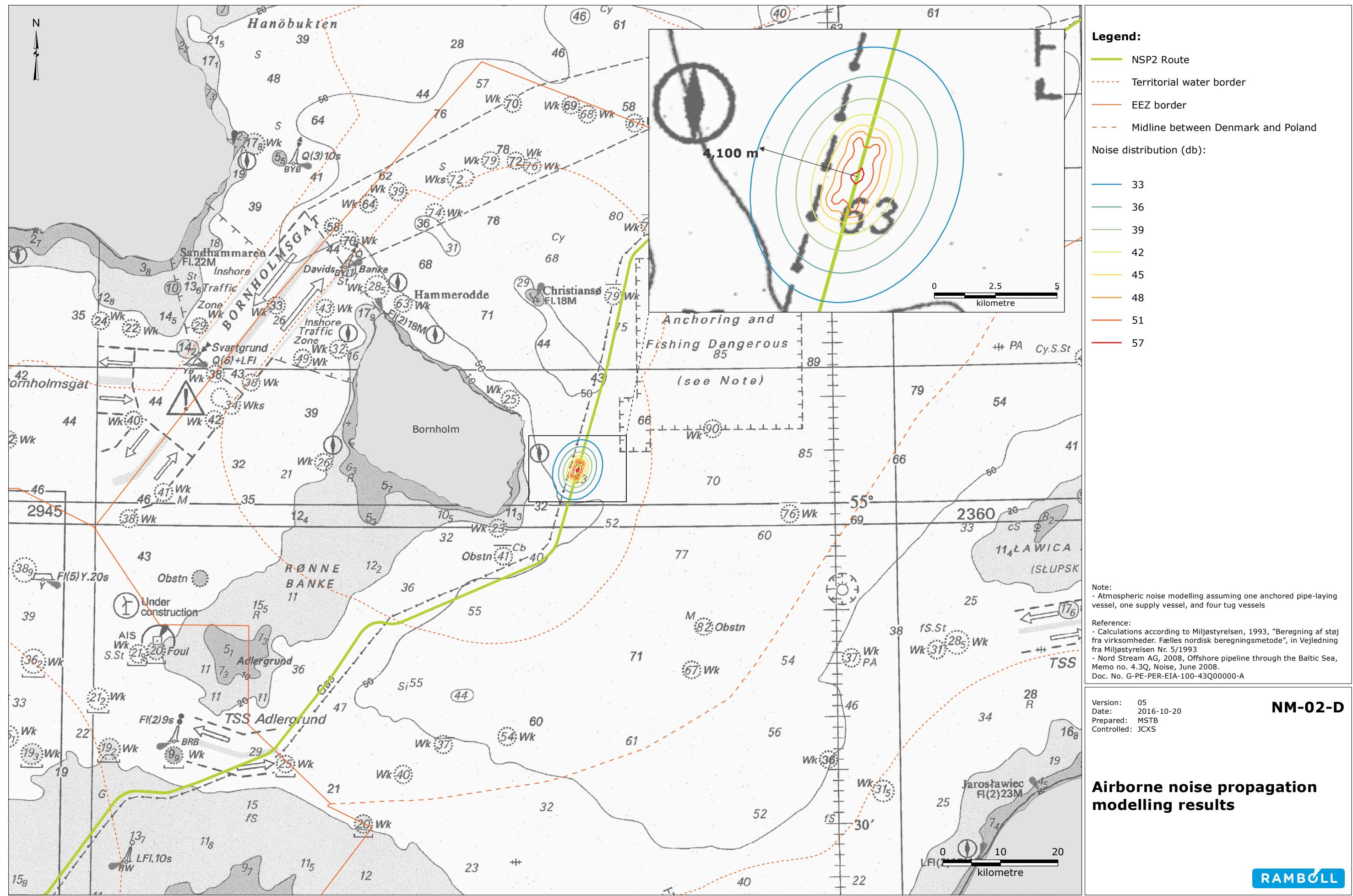


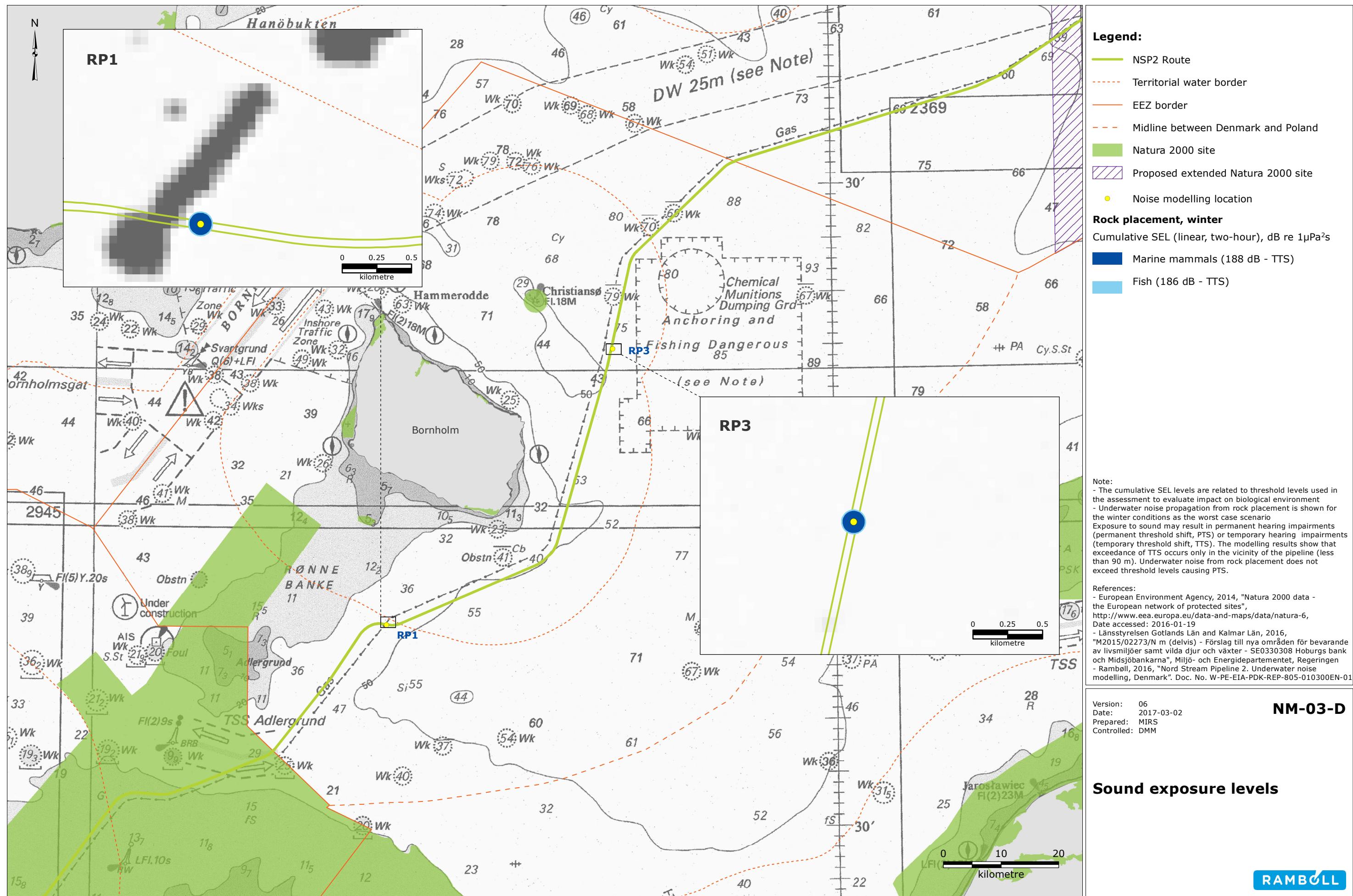
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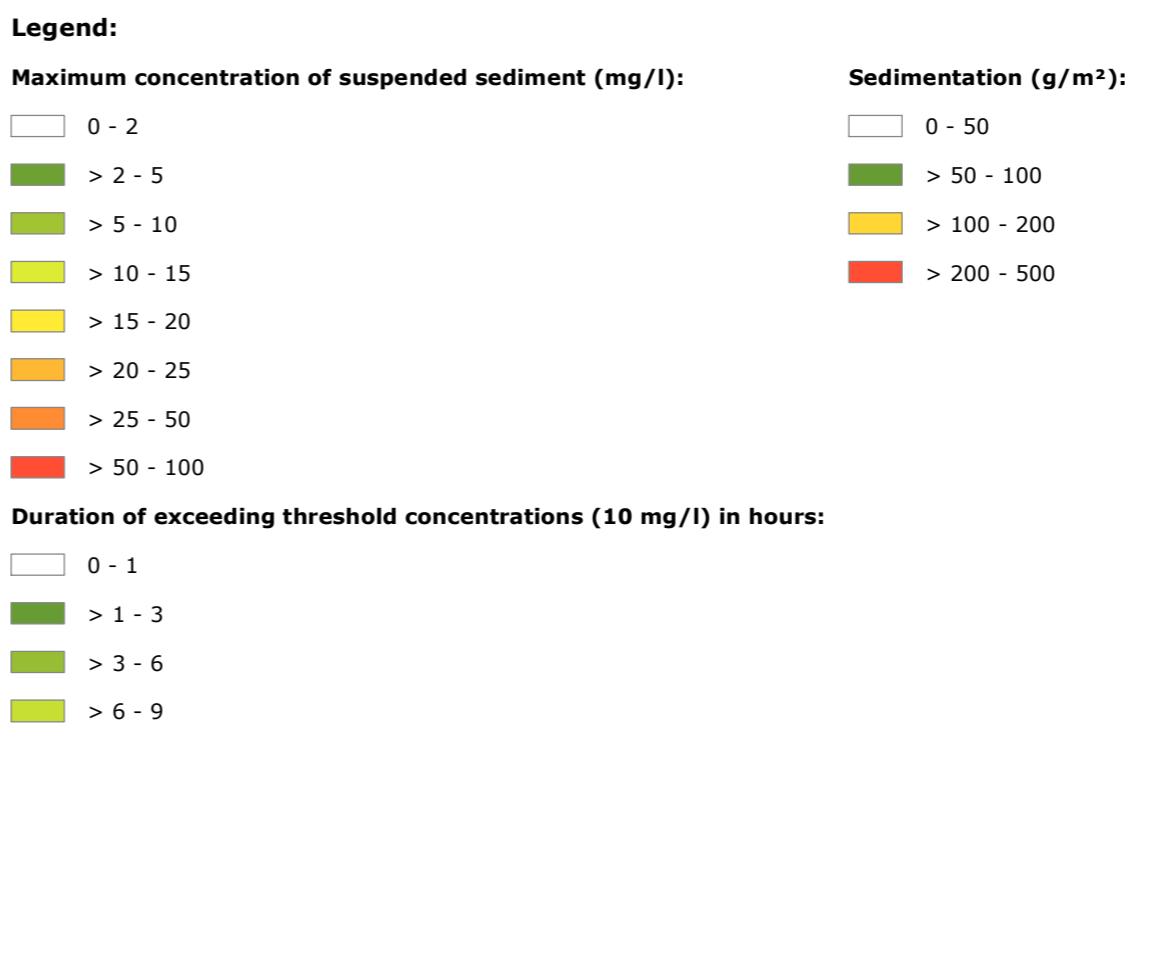
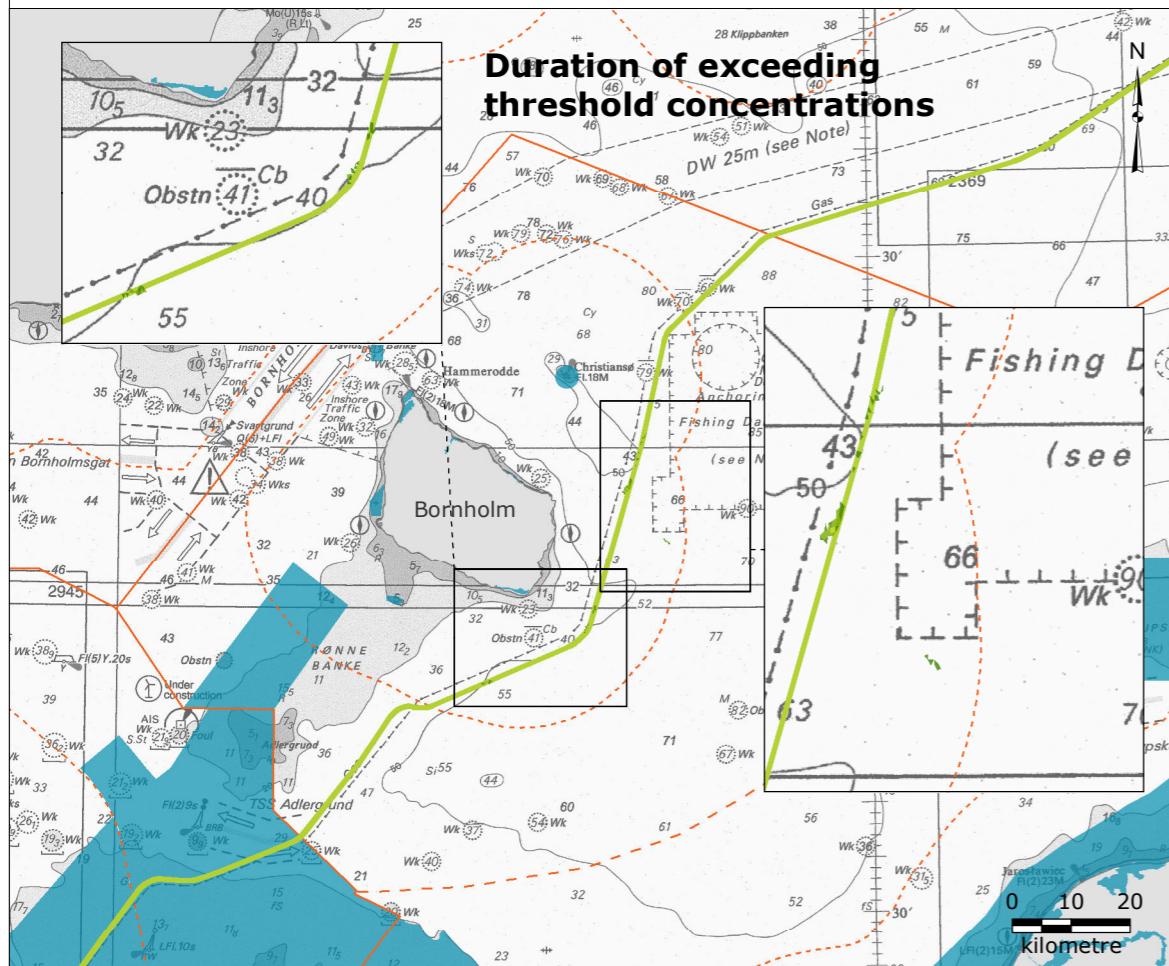
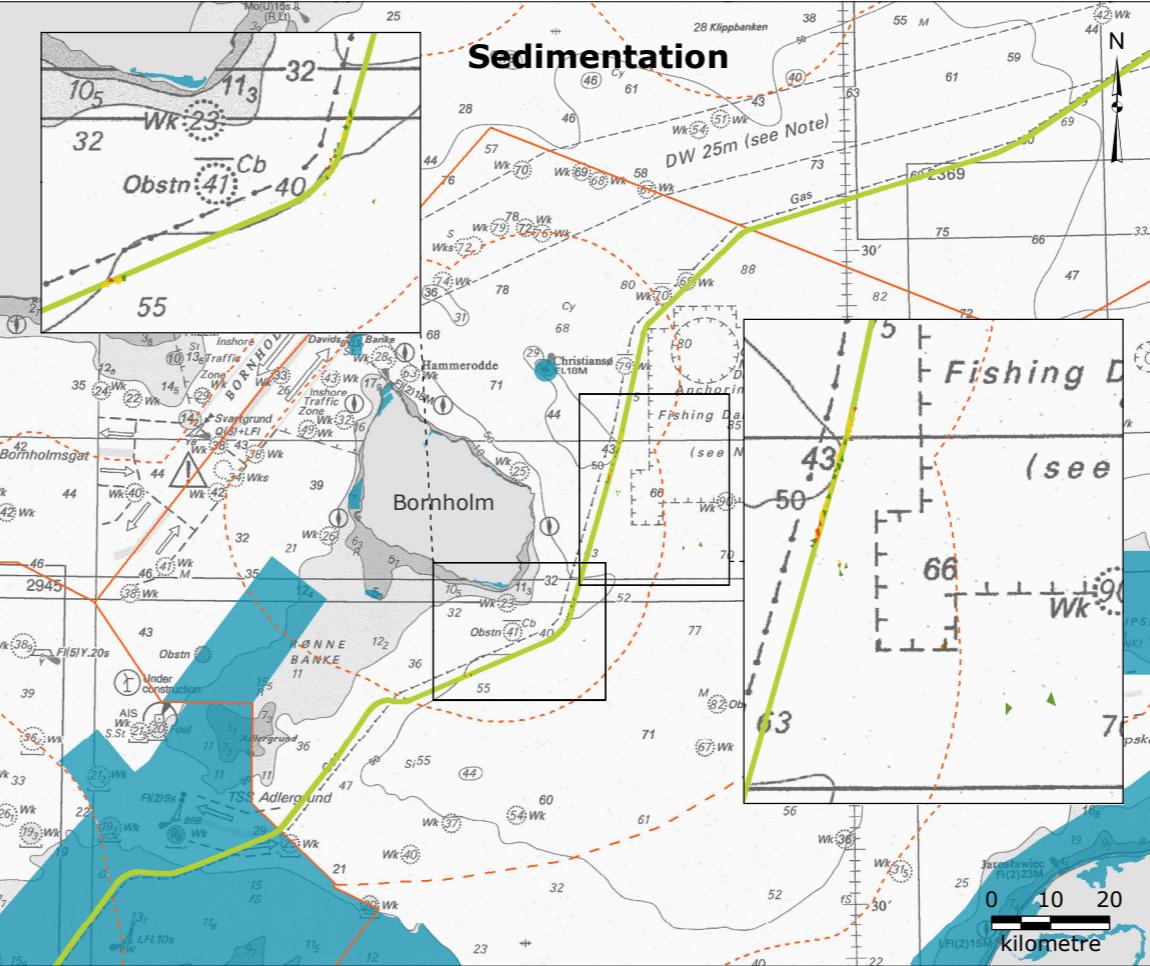
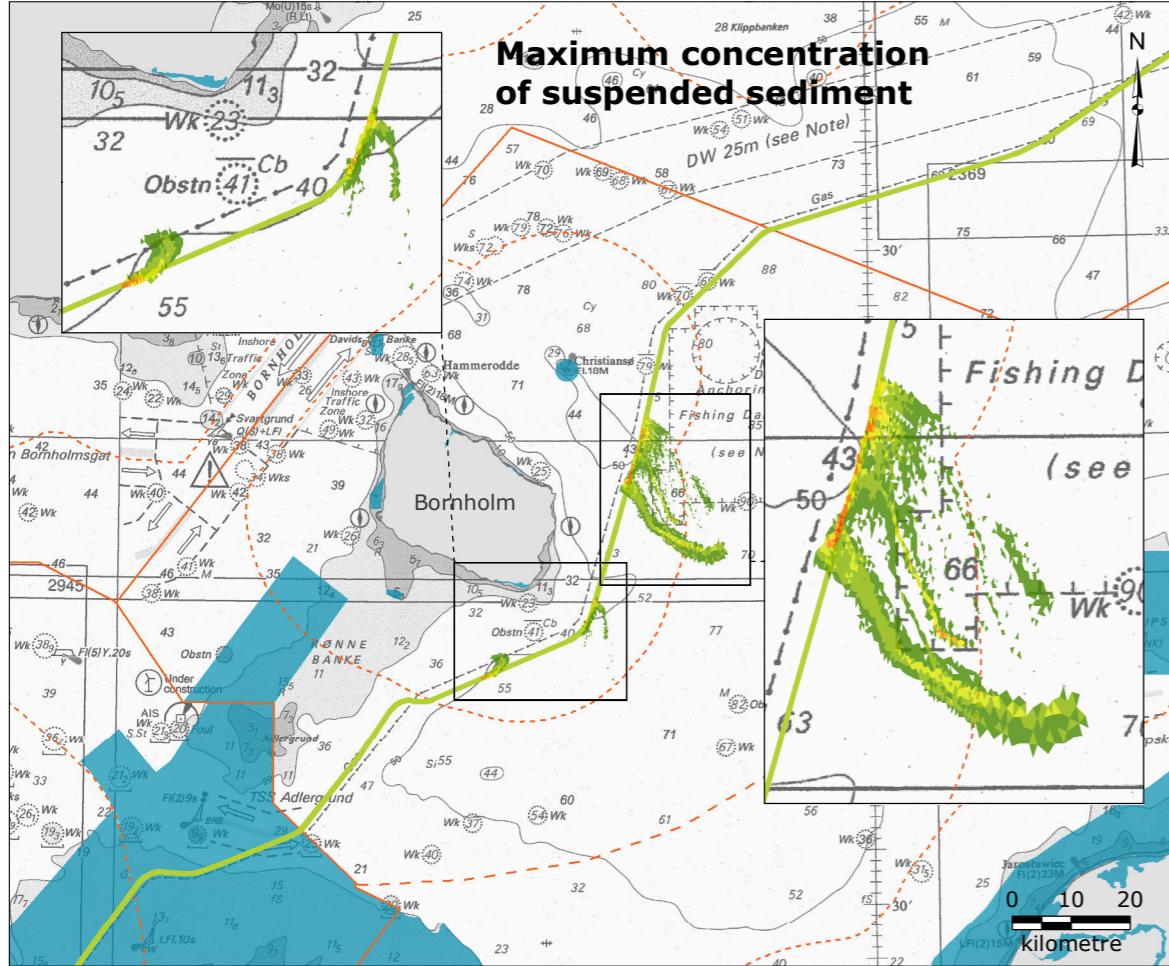
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SEDIMENT MODELLING









Legend:

- NSP2 Route (Green line)
- Territorial water border (Dashed orange line)
- EEZ border (Solid orange line)
- Midline between Denmark and Poland (Dashed red line)
- Natura 2000 site (Blue shaded area)

Note:

- Duration of exceeding threshold concentration is shown for 10 mg/l (avoidance reactions in fish)
- Winter scenario refers to a period with winter hydrographic conditions with respect to flow velocities and stratification
- Redistribution of sediments for winter scenario is shown

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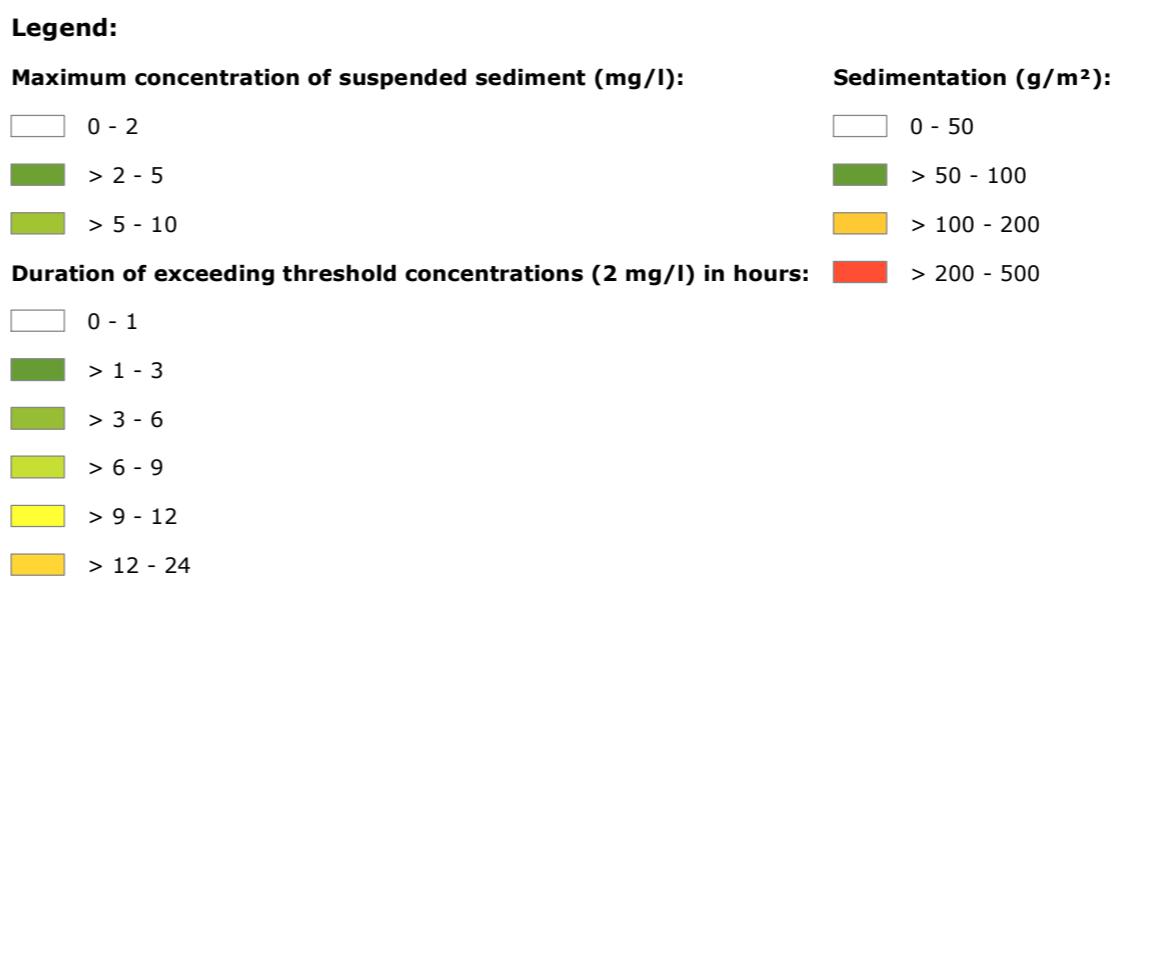
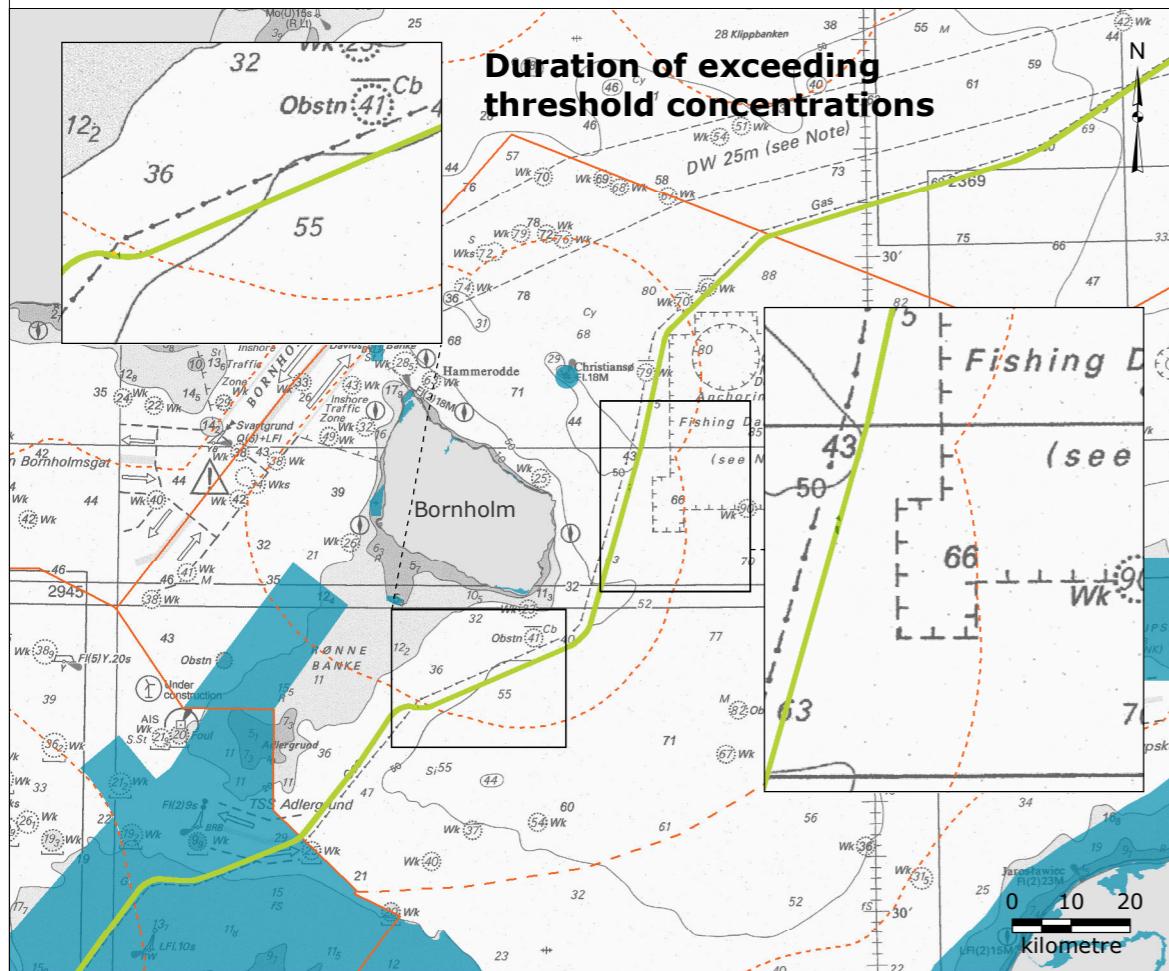
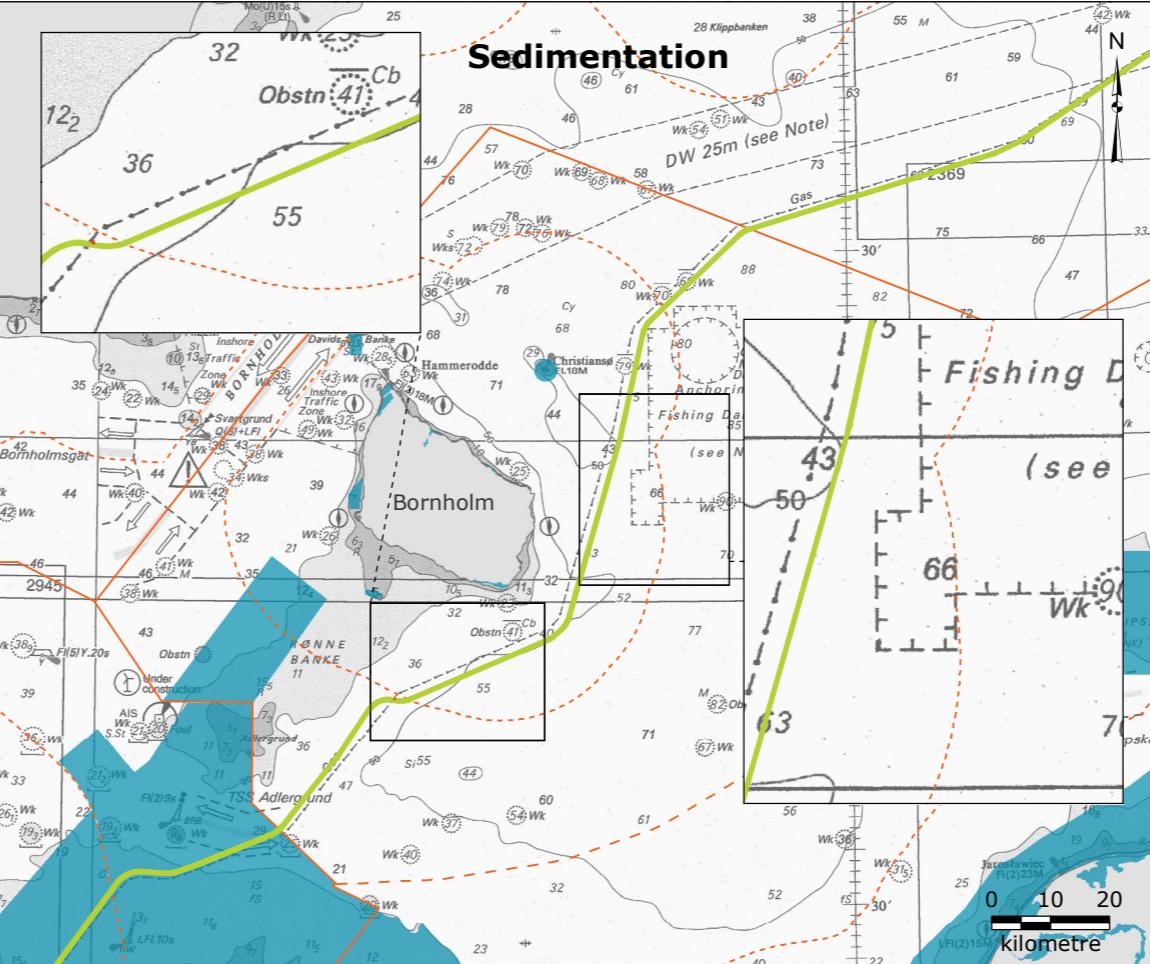
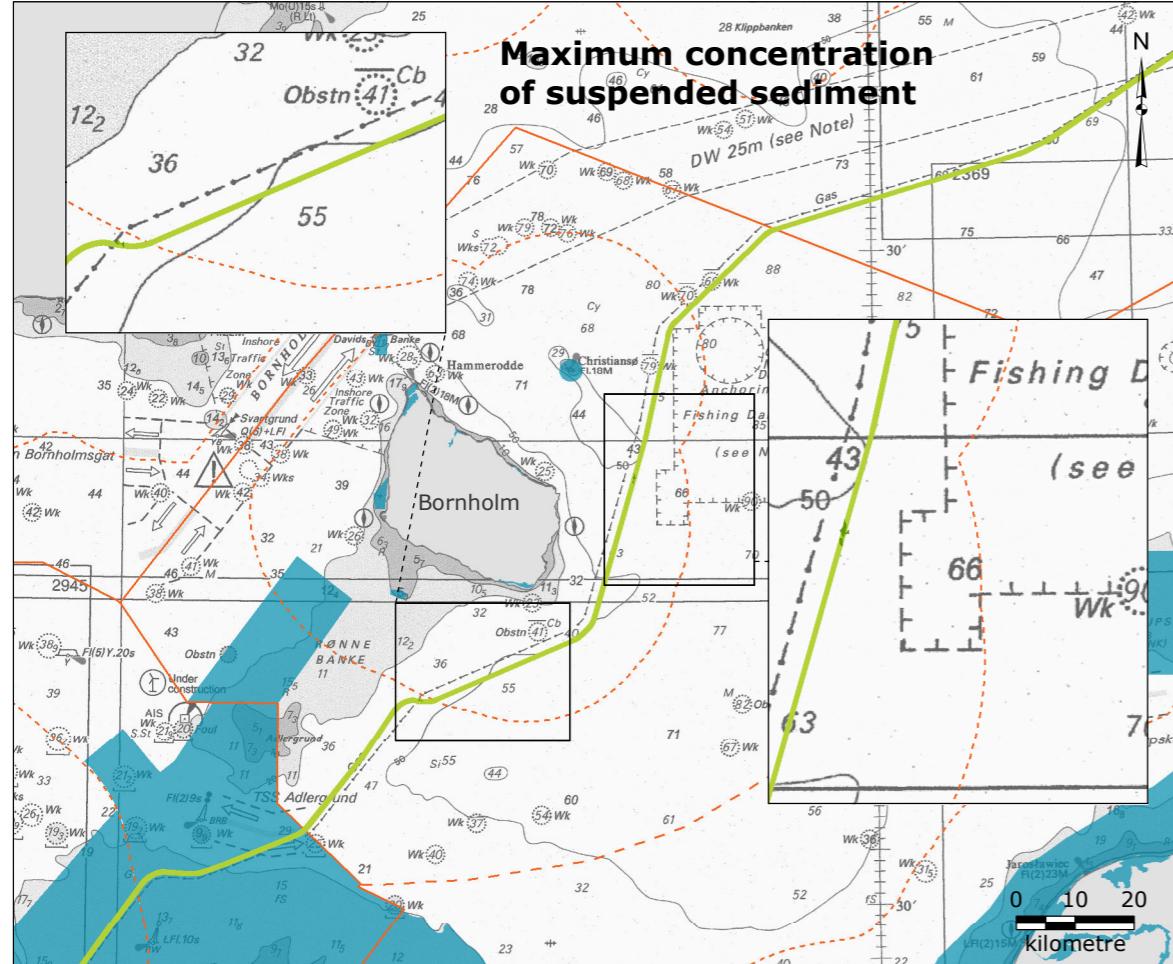
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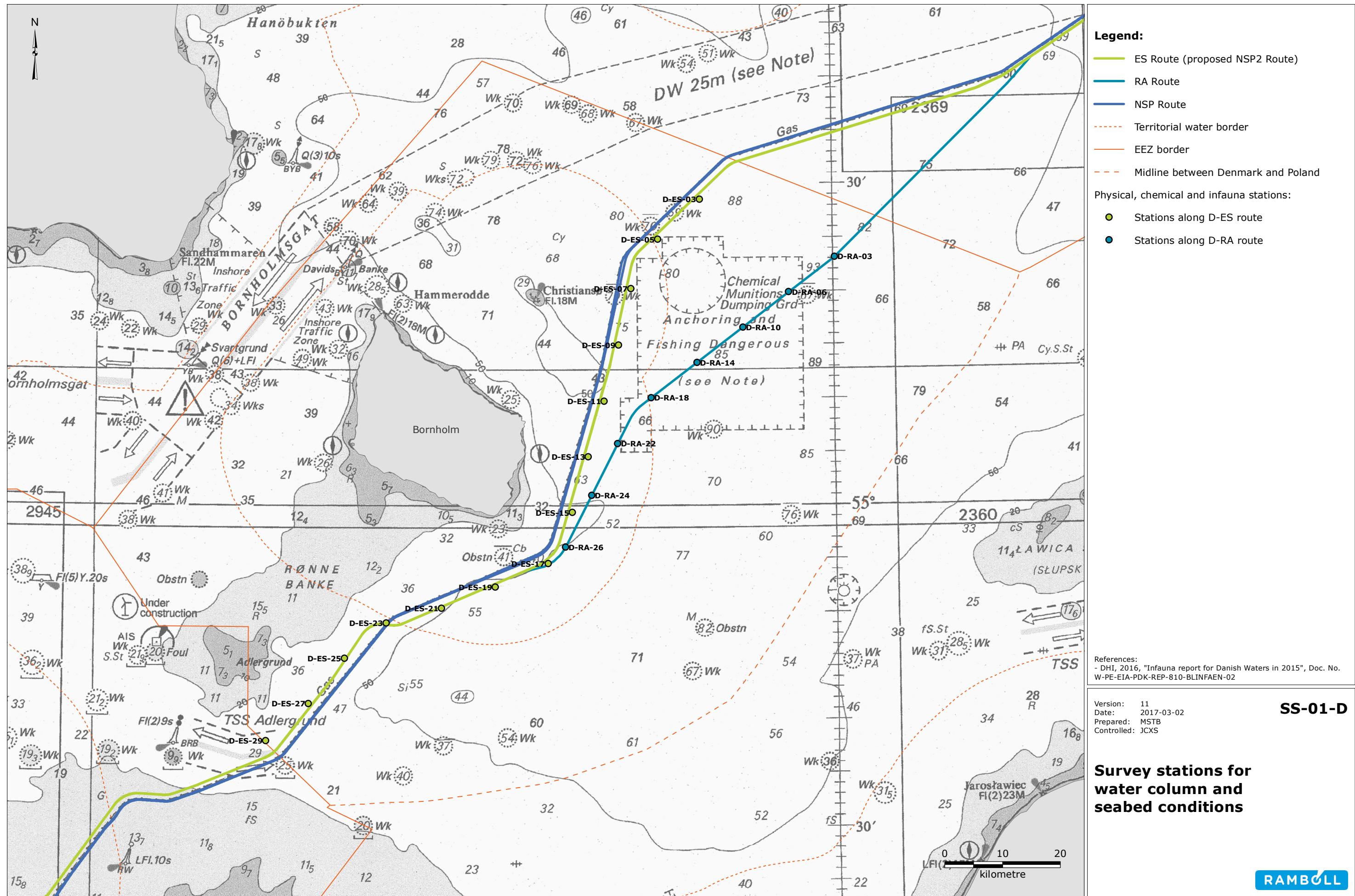
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