

Port of Dampier – AtN Maintenance in the Rio Tinto Dampier Main Channel and EII Channel

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Date: 9/05/2026

Date of effect:	12/05/2026
Details:	Port of Dampier – AtN Maintenance in the Rio Tinto Dampier Main Channel and EII Channel
Former notice:	N/A
Charts and publications:	AUS 57,58,60 ENC Cell AU421116
Further notice:	Will be cancelled on completion of maintenance operations
Attachments:	Survey area chartlet and photo / details of the survey vessel

Mariners are advised that from Tuesday 12 May 2026, for a period of up to one week, maintenance works will be undertaken on RTIO navigation aids. The works will involve the replacement of top platforms on three (3) RTIO navigation aids, comprising two (2) navigation aids in the EII Departure Channel and one (1) navigation aid in the Main Channel.

The affected Aids to Navigation (AtoN), characteristics and positions are as follows:

ATN NAME	LOCATION	POSITION
Mermaid Sound No. 5 East Port Beacon	Main Channel	20°35.729'S, 116°41.734'E
Channel No. 11 East Port Beacon	EII Departure Channel	20°38.067'S, 116°41.348'E
Channel No. 11 West Starboard Beacon	EII Departure Channel	20°37.767'S, 116°41.262'E

The works will involve the removal, lifting and replacement of each beacon top platform with a new unit. Operations will be conducted during daylight hours only, utilising the vessel **Arabella** (LOA 23.7m), which will be contactable on VHF Channels 11 and 6.

Mariners are advised to exercise caution when navigating in the vicinity of the affected navigation aids. Vessels not directly involved in the maintenance activities are required to obtain positive clearance from Dampier VTS prior to approaching within 100 metres of the navigation aids.

Capt. Mike Minogue
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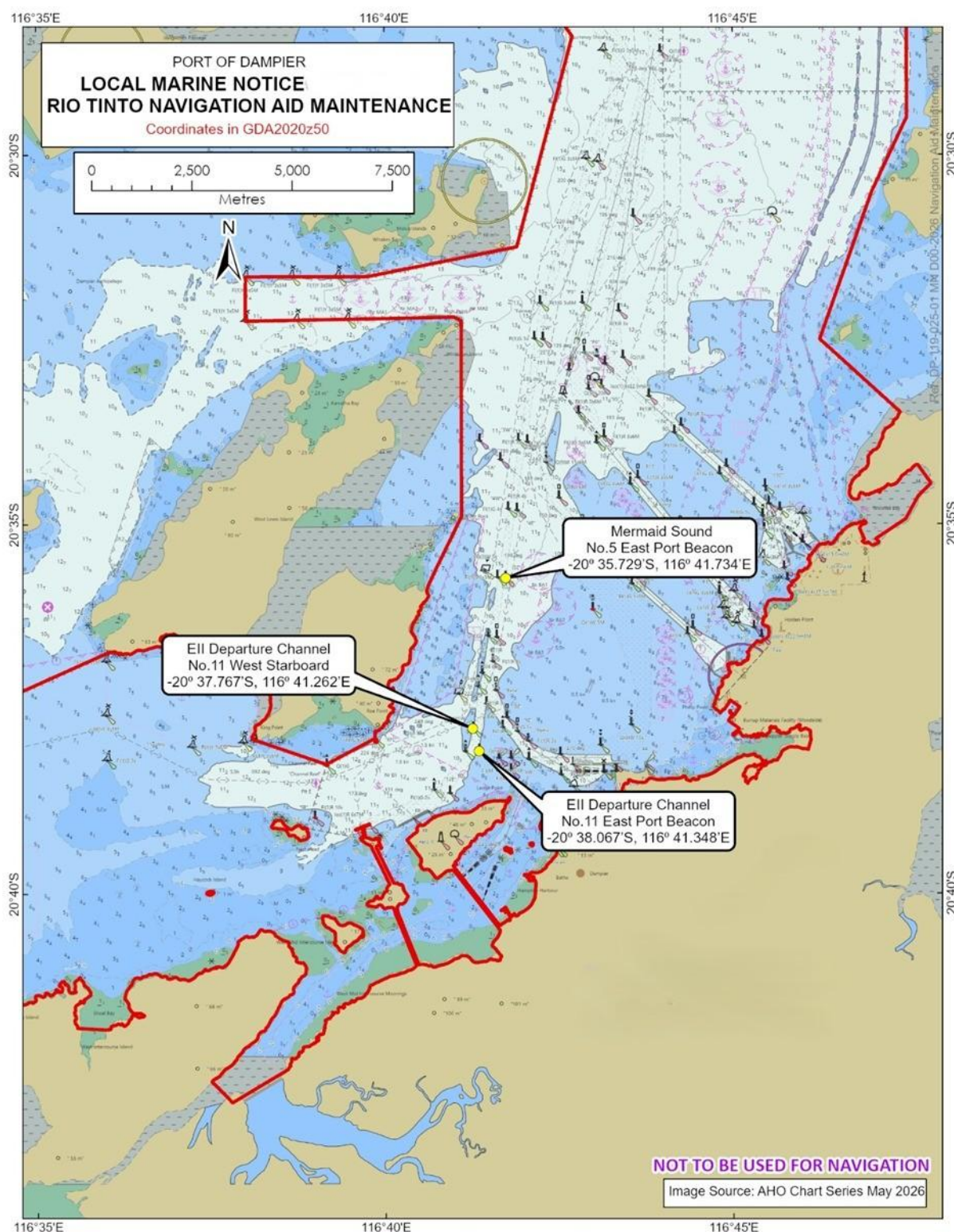


Figure 1: Chart of locations of maintenance works



Figure 2: Workboat *Arabella*