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Statement concerning protective action in the Kattegatt

The Halland County Administrative Board has with communication 511-3917-09 requested a statement by the Swedish Transport Agency, on the subject of the intention of Greenpeace to carry out protective action by placing so called obstacles to shipping on the seabed in the form of stone blocks at Fladen and Lilla Middelgrund, in order to obstruct trawling within the area in question in the Kattegatt.

STA is of the opinion that Greenpeace's planned measures may result in *danger* for fishing vessels engaged in demersal trawling, in the case of fishing equipment catching on the placed stones blocks.

For that reason STA recommends that Greenpeace should be required to document and report to the County Administrative Board and the Swedish Marine Administration (Ufs-BALTICO), the depth and position of each respective stone block, to at least three decimal points in the format SWEREF 99 TM.

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Attachment 1 Nautical Chart