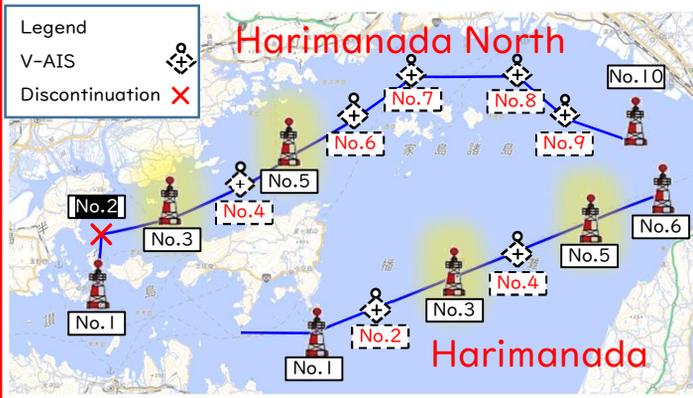


[Seto Naikai] Partial Replacement of Light Buoys with Virtual AIS Aids to Navigation [Trial]



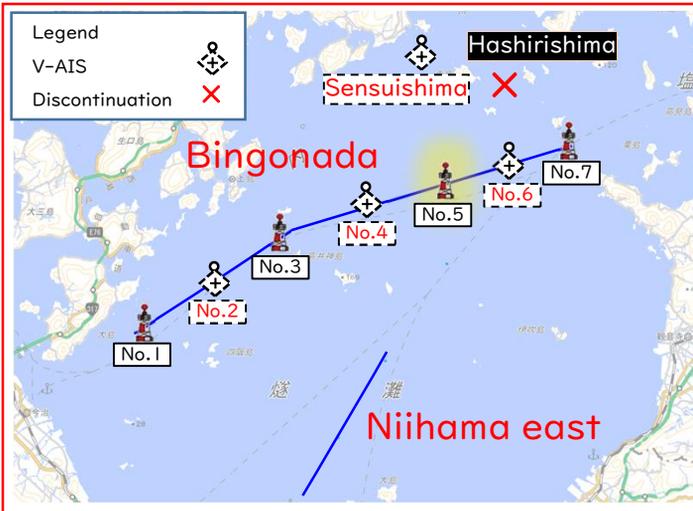
Trial operation details

- 1. Removal of light buoys and replacement with virtual AIS aids to navigation**
- 2. Discontinuation of light buoys**
- 3. Enhancements of light buoys**
(Increased light intensity of nearby light buoys)



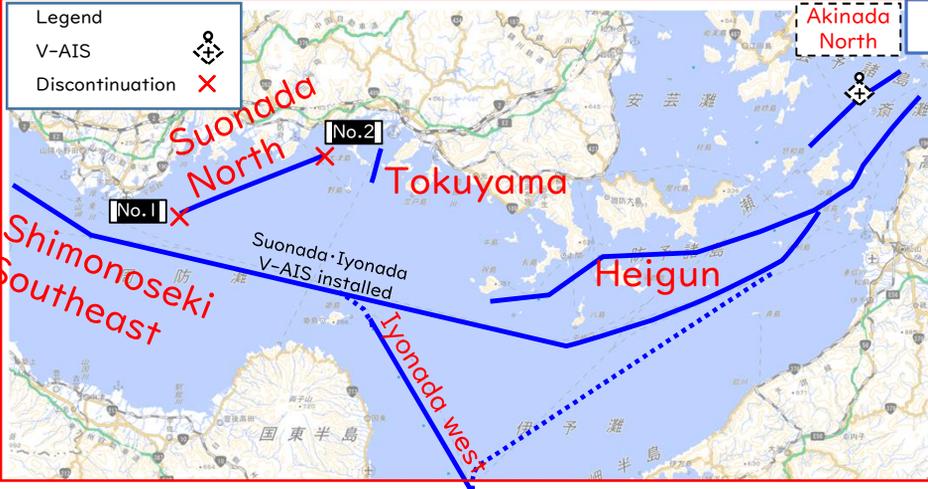
① Eastern Part of Seto Naikai

Replacement with V-AIS	Planned start period
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harimanada Recommended Track No.2 Harimanada Recommended Track No.4 Harimanada North Recommended Track No.6~9 Harimanada North Recommended Track No.4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oct.-Dec. 2026 Jan.-Mar. 2027
Discontinuation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harimanada Recommended Track No.2
Enhancements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harimanada Recommended Track No.3 and No.5 Harimanada North Recommended Track No.3 and No.5



② Middle Part of Seto Naikai

Replacement with V-AIS	Planned start period
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bingonada Recommended Track No.2 Bingonada Recommended Track No.4 Bingonada Recommended Track No.6 Sensuishima South (Dec. 2025 In trial) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oct.-Dec. 2026
Discontinuation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hashirishima (Dec. 2025 In trial)
Enhancements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bingonada Recommended Track No.5



③ Western Part of Seto Naikai

Replacement with V-AIS	Planned start period
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Akinada North Recommended Track 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oct.-Dec. 2026
Discontinuation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suonada North Recommended Track No.1~2
Planned start period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jul.-Sep. 2026

➤ The beginning date of the trial will be announced through Notices to Mariners and on our website as soon as the exact date is determined.

➤ We plan to conduct a survey during the trial, and we appreciate your cooperation.

➤ Formal operation will be implemented for light buoys which safety has been confirmed by the survey results and AIS data.



Please take a look