

# Management Plan for Antarctic Specially Protected Area No. 153 EASTERN DALLMANN BAY

## Introduction

This Area is located off the western and northern coasts of Brabant Island, Palmer Archipelago, between 64°00'S and 64°20'S; 62°50'W and the western coast of Brabant Island, and is fully marine. Approximate area: 610 km<sup>2</sup>. Designation on the grounds that the shallow shelf in this region near Brabant Island is one of only two known sites in the vicinity of Palmer Station (US) that are suitable for bottom trawling for fish and other benthic organisms (see also ASPA No. 152 Western Bransfield Strait). The benthic fauna of the site is of exceptional scientific interest and the area provides an important habitat for juvenile fish. Proposed by the United States of America: adopted by Recommendation XVI-3 (Bonn, 1991: SSSI No. 36); date of expiry extended by Measure 3 (2001); renamed and renumbered by Decision 1 (2002); revised management plan adopted by Measure 2 (2003) and Measure 11 (2009). The Area is approved under the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) in accordance with Decision 9 (2005).

The Environmental Domains Analysis for Antarctica (Resolution 3 (2008)) and Antarctic Conservation Biogeographic Regions (Resolution 6 (2012)) classifications are based on terrestrial criteria, and therefore have limited applicability in marine environments.

## 1. Description of values to be protected

Eastern Dallmann Bay (between latitudes 64°00'S and 64°20'S and from longitude 62°50'W eastward to the western shore of Brabant Island, approximately 610 km<sup>2</sup>) was originally designated as a Site of Special Scientific Interest through Recommendation XVI-3 (1991, SSSI No. 36) after a proposal by the United States of America. It was designated on the grounds that “the shallow shelf west of East Dallmann Bay is one of only two known sites near Palmer Station that are suitable for bottom trawling for fish and other benthic organisms. The Site and, in particular, its benthic fauna, are of exceptional scientific interest and require long-term protection from harmful interference”. Together with Western Bransfield Strait (ASPA No. 152), the Area is used in over 90 percent of specimen collections carried out by US researchers who are actively studying such fish communities within the region (Detrich pers. comm. 2009 and 2015).

The boundaries of the Area were revised by Measure 2 (2003) to focus more specifically on the shallow shelf down to 200 m depth to the west and north of Brabant Island, while the deeper water of Dallmann Bay to the west has been excluded. The boundaries of the Area at Dallmann Bay are between latitudes 63°53'S and 64°20'S and longitudes 62°16'W and 62°45'W and are defined in the east by the shoreline of Brabant Island, encompassing an area of approximately 610 km<sup>2</sup> (Map 1).

The Area continues to be considered important for obtaining scientific samples of fish and other benthic organisms, and the original reasons for designation are reaffirmed in the current Management Plan. In addition, the Area is an important habitat for juvenile fish species, including the rockcod *Notothenia coriiceps* and the icefish *Chaenocephalus aceratus*. Fish have been collected from the Area by scientists from Palmer Station since the early 1970s. The Area is within the research area of the Palmer Long Term Ecological Research (LTER) Program. Fish collected from the Area are used in the study of biochemical and physiological adaptations to low temperatures. Some of the fish collected have been used for comparative studies with the more heavily impacted Arthur Harbour area scientific research is also being undertaken on the benthic faunal communities.

## 2. Aims and objectives

Management at Eastern Dallmann Bay aims to:

- avoid degradation of, or substantial risk to, the values of the Area by preventing unnecessary human disturbance;
- allow scientific research on the marine environment while ensuring protection from over-sampling;
- allow other scientific research within the Area provided it will not compromise the values for which the Area is protected;
- allow visits for management purposes in support of the aims of the management plan.

### 3. Management activities

The following management activities shall be undertaken to protect the values of the Area:

- A map showing the location of the Area (stating the special restrictions that apply) shall be displayed prominently and copies of this Management Plan shall be made available at Palmer Station (US);
- National programs shall ensure the boundaries of the Area and the restrictions that apply within are marked on relevant maps and marine charts for which they are responsible;
- Copies of this Management Plan shall be made available to vessels traveling in the vicinity of the Area;
- Buoys, or other markers or structures installed within the Area for scientific or management purposes shall be secured and maintained in good condition and removed when no longer needed;
- Visits shall be made as necessary to assess whether the Area continues to serve the purposes for which it was designated and to ensure management and maintenance measures are adequate.

### 4. Period of designation

Designated for an indefinite period.

### 5. Maps and photographs

Map 1: ASPA No. 153 Eastern Dallmann Bay bathymetric map. Coastline and terrestrial contour data are derived from the SCAR Antarctic Digital Database Version 6.0 (2012). Bathymetry is derived from the International Bathymetric Chart of the Southern Ocean (IBCSO) v1.0 (2013). Bird data: ERA (2015). Important Bird Areas: BirdLife International/ERA (Harris *et al.* 2011). Historic Sites and Monuments: ATS, updated by ERA (2014).

Map specifications: Projection: Lambert Conformal Conic; Standard parallels: 1st 64° 00' S; 2nd 64° 30' S; Central Meridian: 62° 30' W; Latitude of Origin: 65° 00' S; Spheroid and horizontal datum: WGS84; Horizontal accuracy: maximum error of  $\pm 300$  m. Vertical contour interval 100 m, vertical accuracy to within  $\pm 50$  m. Isobath 200 m.

**Inset:** the location of Map 1, ASPA No. 153 Eastern Dallmann Bay, Antarctic Peninsula, showing the nearest protected area, ASPA No. 152 Western Bransfield Strait.

### 6. Description of the Area

#### *6(i) Geographical coordinates, boundary markers and natural features*

##### *General description*

Dallmann Bay (between latitudes 64°00'S and 64°20'S and from longitude 63°15'W eastward to the western shore of Brabant Island) is situated approximately 65 km west of the Antarctic Peninsula, between Brabant Island and Anvers Island, with Bransfield Strait to the north and Gerlache Strait to the south (Map 1). Brabant Island is predominantly ice-covered, with a high north-south mountain chain, which rises to 2520 m at Mount Parry and falls steeply to the sea on the western coast (Smellie *et al.* 2006). The western coastline is characterized by rock and ice cliffs and ice-free headlands, interspersed by steep boulder and narrow pebble beaches. Rock platforms are exposed at low tide in various locations north of Driencourt Point (Map 1),

which field surveys carried out in January 2002 suggest are part of a much larger outcrop of volcanic rock, which extends approximately 10 km from Brabant Island and was formed by two phases of phreatomagmatic volcanism during the Late Quaternary (Smellie *et al.* 2006). Numerous rocky islets extend several kilometers offshore, including Astrolabe Needle (104 m) which stands one kilometer offshore, two kilometers south of Claude Point. West of Brabant Island the sea floor slopes moderately from the intertidal zone to depths of approximately 200 m before the slope eases to depths of 400-500 m beyond the western boundary of the Area. The gradient from the shore down to 200 m slopes more gently in the north of the Area. The Area lies mostly within the 200 m depth contour west and north of Brabant Island (Map 1). The sea floor in the Area is generally composed of a matrix of soft sand, mud and cobbled-rock.

### *Boundaries*

The designated Area is defined in the south by latitude 64°20'S, extending from Fleming Point westward for two kilometers to 62°40'W. From this location, the western boundary extends due north on longitude 62°40'W for 18.5 km to 64°10'S, SSW of Astrolabe Needle. The western boundary then extends NNW almost 19 km to 62°45'W, 64°00'S. The western boundary then extends approximately 13 km due north on longitude 62°45'W to latitude 63°53'S, the northern boundary of the Area. The northern boundary extends along latitude 63°53'S from 62°45'W to 62°16'W, being a distance of approximately 23.4 km. The eastern boundary extends due south approximately 16 km from 62°16'W, 63°53'S to the eastern extremity of Pasteur Peninsula, Brabant Island, at 62°16'W, 64°02'S. From there, the eastern boundary is defined as the mean high water mark of the northern and western coastline of Brabant Island, which includes the intertidal zone within the Area. The Area is 50 km from north to south and extends up to a maximum of 23.4 km east-west. West of Brabant Island the width of the Area ranges between 10 km (at Guyou Bay) and 1.5 km (near Claude Point). The total area is approximately 610 km<sup>2</sup>.

### *Oceanography, marine geology and climate*

Regional winds are predominantly from the NNW, resulting in a southward flowing coastal current along the western Antarctic Peninsula (Hofmann *et al.* 1996). Coupled with the northward flow of the Antarctic Circumpolar Current, this results in a generally clockwise oceanic circulation along the western Antarctic Peninsula (Dinniman and Klinck 2004; Ducklow *et al.* 2007). Within Bransfield Strait, a cyclonic circulation predominates, with the two main currents (the Gerlache Strait Current and the Bransfield Strait Current) originating from the south of Brabant Island (Zhou *et al.* 2002, 2006). Drifters deployed as part of RACER (Research on Antarctic Coastal Ecosystems and Rates) between 1988 and 1990 suggest an east – west flow within the northern part of the Area and the formation of eddies between Metchnikoff Point and Astrolabe Needle (Zhou *et al.* 2002). Tidal variation on Brabant Island is almost two meters and observations made while fishing indicate strong near-shore currents (Furse 1986).

Measurements made between 20th January and 9th February 2001 indicated that ocean temperatures in the Area were 1.8 to 1.9 °C at a depth of 5 m and at 150 m depth, temperatures reached 0.3 to 0.45 °C (Catalan *et al.* 2008). Measurements carried out between 11<sup>th</sup> June and 16<sup>th</sup> July 2001 suggested that water temperatures in the Area ranged between –0.8 to –1.1°C at depths of 100–200 m (Eastman and Lannoo 2004). Water salinity within the Area ranged between 33.84 and 34.04 psu at 5 m, whilst at 150 m depth salinity values were 34.42 -34.45 psu (Catalan *et al.* 2008). Sea ice coverage averages approximately 140 days per year within Eastern Dallmann Bay and persists for approximately 82% of the winter period (Stammerjohn *et al.* 2008). Sea ice concentrations show considerable interannual variability, which has been linked to phase changes in ENSO and the Southern Annular Mode (SAM) (Stammerjohn *et al.* 2008).

Seismic measurements from the Seismic Experiment in Patagonia and Antarctica (SEPA) geodetic monitoring network indicate a significant earthquake activity within the Area, particularly to the north of Brabant Island, which is thought to result from the intersection of the Hero Fracture Zone with the South Shetland Platform at Smith Island (Maurice *et al.* 2003).

### *Marine biology*

The Area supports a rich benthic community including numerous fish species, invertebrates, and marine plants and the Area is an important habitat for juvenile fish species. Fish commonly collected within a depth range of

80 to 200m at Eastern Dallmann Bay include *Gobionotothen gibberifrons* (formerly *Notothenia gibberifrons*), *Chaenocephalus aceratus*, *Champscephalus gunnari*, *Pseudochaenichthys georgianus* and *Chionodraco rastrospinosus* (Eastman and Lannoo 2004; Dunlap *et al.* 2002). In addition to more common species, trawls carried out between 15<sup>th</sup> June and 4<sup>th</sup> July 2001 collected numerous specimens of *Lepidonotothen larseni*, *Lepidonotothen nudifrons*, *Notothenia rossii* and *Notothenia coriiceps* and examples of *Parachaenichthys charcoti*, *Chaenodraco wilsoni*, *Dissostichus mawsoni*, *Trematomus eulepidotus* and *Lepidonotothen squamifrons* (Eastman and Sidell 2002; Grove and Sidell 2004). Specimens of *Trematomus newnesi* and *Gymnodraco acuticeps* have been collected occasionally within the Area (Hazel and Sidell 2003; Wujcik *et al.* 2007). Larval species recorded in the Area include *Arctedidraco skottsbergi*, *Gobionotothen gibberifrons*, *Lepidonotothen nudifrons* and *Pleuragramma antarcticum* (Sinque *et al.* 1986; Loeb *et al.* 1993).

Invertebrates collected within the Area have included varieties of sponge, anemone, annelid, mollusc, crustacean, asteroid, ophiuroid, echinoid, holothurioid and tunicate. Acoustic echo-sounding was used to measure aggregations of Antarctic krill (*Euphausia superba*) within the Area during cruises between 1985 and 1988 (Ross *et al.* 1996). Aggregations were generally recorded in the upper 120 m of the water column. The lowest numbers of aggregations were observed in early spring, increasing to a maximum in late summer and early winter and spawning occurs from November to March (Zhou *et al.* 2002). The Area provides a food-rich nursery for krill, which may become entrained within the Area by eddy currents.

### Birds

Two colonies of chinstrap penguins (*Pygoscelis antarctica*) have been recorded on the northwestern coast of Brabant Island immediately adjacent to the Area. Approximately 5000 breeding pairs were counted at Metchnikoff Point and approximately 250 pairs at Claude Point in 1985 (Woehler 1993). Colonies of Antarctic fulmars (*Fulmarus glacialis*) have been observed at three locations along the coast of Brabant Island (Poncet and Poncet, unpublished data: in Harris 2006) and 1000 breeding pairs were estimated to be nesting along Cape Cockburn cliffs in 1987, at the northeastern boundary of the Area (Creuwels *et al.* 2007). Antarctic shags (*Phalacrocorax [atriceps] bransfieldensis*) have been observed to nest at four locations along the western coast of Brabant Island (Poncet and Poncet, unpublished data from Jan-Feb 1987, in Harris 2006). Other birds observed breeding on the western coast of Brabant Island and frequenting the Area are: Antarctic terns (*Sterna vittata*), black-bellied storm petrels (*Fregetta tropica*), brown skuas (*Catharacta antarctica*), cape petrels (*Daption capense*), greater sheathbills (*Chionis alba*), kelp gulls (*Larus dominicanus*), snow petrels (*Pagodroma nivea*), south polar skuas (*Catharacta maccormicki*) and Wilson's storm petrels (*Oceanites oceanicus*) (Parmelee and Rimmer 1985; Furse 1986). Antarctic petrel (*Thalassoica antarctica*), black-browed albatross (*Diomedea melanophris*), southern giant petrel (*Macronectes giganteus*) commonly forage in the Area (Furse 1986).

### Marine mammals

Numerous marine mammals were observed in Dallmann Bay between January 1984 and March 1985 (Furse 1986). Humpback whales (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) were the most frequently sighted whale species, with possible sightings of killer whales (*Orcinus orca*) off Metchnikoff Point in May and June 1985. Satellite tracking of humpback whales between January 2004 and January 2006 indicated that numerous animals passed through the Area and foraged within it, with the broader Gerlache Strait region being identified as an important feeding ground for humpback whales (Dalla Rosa *et al.* 2008). Minke whales have been sighted within the Area, to the north of Brabant Island, during the austral summer (Dec – Feb) (Scheidat *et al.* 2008).

Crabeater seals (*Lobodon carcinophagus*), southern elephant seals (*Mirounga leonina*), numerous Antarctic fur seals (*Arctocephalus gazella*), leopard seals (*Hydrurga leptonyx*) and Weddell seals (*Leptonychotes weddellii*), were observed in the Area from Metchnikoff Point (Furse 1986).

### Human activities / impacts

Numerous research cruises along the western Antarctic Peninsula have included sampling stations within the Area for oceanographic and/or biological research. Fish collected within the Area have been used for a variety of biochemical, genetic and physiological research. Studies of icefish biochemical processes have included: studies of the adaptations in fish that enable proteins to function at low temperatures (Dunlap *et al.* 2002;

Cheng and Detrich 2007); the adaptations of muscle structure and energy metabolism, including the processing of fatty acids to low temperatures (Hazel and Sidell 2003; Grove and Sidell 2004; O'Brien *et al.* 2003); the influence of hydrostatic pressure on enzyme function within fish livers (Ciardiello *et al.* 1999) and efficient genome transcription at low water temperatures (Lau *et al.* 2001; Magnoni *et al.* 2002). Numerous studies have investigated icefish morphology, including; research into the cardiovascular adaptations of icefish, in compensation for their complete lack of haemoglobin (Wukcik *et al.* 2007; Sidell and O'Brien 2006); the histology and anatomy of the sense organs and brains of icefish (Eastman and Lannoo 2004); and neutral buoyancy of icefish in relation to their life histories and skeletal structure (Eastman and Sidell 2002).

Specimens collected during trawls in March and April 1991, 1992, and 1993 were used in comparative studies of polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbon (PAH) contamination in fish with those collected from Arthur Harbor and the effects of Diesel Fuel Arctic (DFA) on *Notothenia gibberifrons* (now *Gobionotothen gibberifrons*) (McDonald *et al.* 1995; Yu *et al.* 1995). The former study found levels of contamination in fish sampled from the Area were considerably lower than those sampled from the vicinity of the 1989 *Bahia Paraiso* wreck in Arthur Harbor and that fish captured near US scientific stations are exposed to PAH, albeit low levels (McDonald *et al.* 1992 and 1995). However concentrations of PAH were higher than had been expected in fish collected from within the Area, with levels found to be similar to those in fish sampled from near Old Palmer Station.

Specimens have been regularly collected in recent years (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011) for further research related to biochemical processes in icefish (Cuellar *et al.* 2014, Devor 2013, Mueller *et al.* 2011, Mueller *et al.* 2012, Teigen 2014).

A British Joint Services Expedition involving 35 team members spent one year on Brabant Island from January 1984 to March 1985 (Furse 1986). Several camps and numerous caches were established along the western coastline, including a main base camp at Metchnikoff Point. Some of the camp structures, equipment and supplies were abandoned following the expedition, although their status in 2015 is unknown. The level of impact of the expedition on the adjacent marine environment is also unknown.

The Brabant Island – Anvers Island region is a popular destination for tourism. Data on tourist visits compiled by the US National Science Foundation show that since the Area was first designated in 1991 a number of tour vessels have visited Dallmann Bay, and more specifically Metchnikoff Point. Tourist activity in the vicinity since original designation is summarised in Table 1. It is not clear where in Dallmann Bay the reported tourist visits took place, although it is thought that ship activity occurs predominantly within western Dallmann Bay, specifically along the coast of Anvers Island and close to the Melchior Islands (Crosbie pers. comm. 2008). In February 2010 a vessel collided with and injured a humpback whale during approach to Dallmann Bay (Liggett *et al.* 2010). It remains necessary, however, to move through the Area to gain access to Metchnikoff Point by sea.

**Table 1.** Tourism activity in the vicinity of ASPA No. 153, Eastern Dallmann Bay, 1991–92 to 2007–08. Numbers given in brackets indicate activity at Metchnikoff Point.

Year	No. of vessels	Total No. of Visitors	Small-boat cruise (pax)	Small-boat landing (pax)	Helicopter flight	Kayaking	Scuba diving
1991-92	(1)		(12)				
1992-93							
1993-94	1		84				
1994-95							
1995-96	2		104				
1996-97	1		70				
1997-98	(1)			(55)			
1998-99	(1)			(2)			
1999-00	2		102				
2000-01	0		0				
2001-02	(1)		0 (96)				
2002-03	0		0				
2003-04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2004-05	1	56	0	0	0	0	0
2005-06	7	1399	467	0	0	107	0
2006-07	8	1232	318	0	0	101	0
2007-08	8	10,068	61	0	0	0	0
2008-09	9	6545	170	0	0	0	0
2009-10	9	13,759	107	0	0	0	0
2010-11	9	2402	103	0	26	0	14
2011-12	4	2131	78	0	0	0	0
2012-13	8	3715	0	4	0	0	0
2013-14	9	3558	29	0	0	0	0

*6(ii) Access to the Area*

Access into the Area is generally by ship from Bransfield Strait, or from the direction of Gerlache Strait to the south, or from the Drake Passage in the west and through Dallmann Bay. Vessels may transit through the Area, although anchoring shall be avoided except in compelling circumstances. Access into the Area may be made by air or over sea ice when conditions allow. Access routes into or within the Area have not been defined.

*6(iii) Location of structures within and adjacent to the Area*

There are no structures known to be within the Area. Structures and other material from the UK Joint Services Expedition to Brabant Island (January 1984 to March 1985) may remain on the western shores of Brabant Island, particularly at Metchnikoff Point. The nearest stations are President González Videla (Chile), approximately 55 km south in Paradise Harbour; Port Lockroy (UK), approximately 75 km south-west on Goudier Island, Yelcho (Chile), approximately 80 km south-west on Doumar Island; and Palmer (US), approximately 90 km SW on Anvers Island.

*6(iv) Location of other protected areas in the vicinity*

The nearest protected area to Eastern Dallmann Bay is Western Bransfield Strait (ASPA No. 152), which lies about 45 km to the north. Antarctic Specially Managed Area No. 7 Southwest Anvers Island and Palmer Basin lies approximately 80 km to the southwest on the southern coast of Anvers Island (Map 1).

*6(v) Special zones within the Area*

None.

**7. Terms and conditions for entry permits**

*7(i) General permit conditions*

Entry into the Area is prohibited except in accordance with a Permit issued by an appropriate national authority. Conditions for issuing a Permit to enter the Area are that:

- it is issued only for scientific purposes, or for educational purposes that cannot be served elsewhere, or for reasons essential to the management of the Area;
- the actions permitted are in accordance with the Management Plan;
- the activities permitted will give due consideration via the environmental impact assessment process to the continued protection of the environmental and scientific values of the Area;
- the Permit shall be issued for a finite period;
- the Permit, or a copy, shall be carried when in the Area.

*7(ii) Access to, and movement within or over, the Area*

Access into the Area shall be by sea, over sea ice or by air. There are no specific restrictions on routes of access to or movement within the Area, although movements should be kept to the minimum necessary consistent with the objectives of any permitted activity. Every reasonable effort should be made to minimize disturbance. Vessels may transit through the Area, although anchoring shall be avoided except in compelling circumstances. There are no special overflight restrictions and aircraft may land by Permit when sea ice conditions allow, although pilots should take into account the bird breeding colonies present along the eastern boundary of the Area on the Brabant Island coast (Map 1).

*7(iii) Activities that may be conducted in the Area*

- Scientific research that will not jeopardize the values of the Area;
- Essential operational activities of vessels that will not jeopardize the values of the Area, such as transit through, or stationing within, the Area in order to facilitate science or other activities, including tourism, or for access to sites outside of the Area;
- Essential management activities, including monitoring.

*7(iv) Installation, modification or removal of structures*

- No structures are to be erected within the Area except as specified in a permit and permanent structures or installations are prohibited.
- All structures, scientific equipment or markers installed in the Area must be authorized by permit and clearly identified by country, name of the principal investigator and year of installation. All such items should be made of materials that pose minimal risk of contamination of the Area.
- Installation (including site selection), maintenance, modification or removal of structures shall be undertaken in a manner that minimizes disturbance to flora and fauna.
- Removal of specific equipment for which the permit has expired shall be the responsibility of the authority which granted the original Permit, and shall be a condition of the permit.

*7(v) Location of field camps*

None.

*7(vi) Restrictions on materials and organisms which may be brought into the Area*

In addition to the requirements of the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty, restrictions on materials and organisms which may be brought into the area are:

- Deliberate introduction of animals, plant material, micro-organisms and non-sterile soil into the Area is prohibited. Precautions shall be taken to prevent the accidental introduction of animals, plant material, micro-organisms and non-sterile soil from other biologically distinct regions (within or beyond the Antarctic Treaty area);
- Visitors shall ensure that sampling equipment and markers brought into the Area are clean. To the maximum extent practicable, equipment to be used within the area shall be thoroughly cleaned before entering the Area. Visitors should also consult and follow as appropriate recommendations contained in the Committee for Environmental Protection Non-native Species Manual (CEP 2011);
- No pesticides shall be brought into the Area;
- Fuel, food, chemicals and other materials shall not be stored in the Area, unless specifically authorized by permit, and shall be stored and handled in a way that minimizes the risk of their accidental introduction into the environment;
- All materials introduced shall be for a stated period only, shall be removed at or before the conclusion of that stated period; and
- If release occurs which is likely to compromise the values of the Area, removal is encouraged only where the impact of removal is not likely to be greater than that of leaving the material *in situ*.

7(vii) *Taking of, or harmful interference with, native flora or fauna*

- Taking of, or harmful interference with, native flora or fauna is prohibited, except in accordance with a permit issued under Article 3 of Annex II to the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty. Where animal taking or harmful interference is involved, this should, as a minimum standard, be in accordance with the SCAR Code of Conduct for the Use of Animals for Scientific Purposes in Antarctica.

7(viii) *The collection or removal of materials not brought into the Area by the Permit holder*

- Material may be collected or removed from the Area only in accordance with a permit and should be limited to the minimum necessary to meet scientific or management needs.
- Material of human origin likely to compromise the values of the Area, which was not brought into the Area by the permit holder or otherwise authorized, may be removed from any part of the Area, unless the impact of removal is likely to be greater than leaving the material *in situ*. If this is the case the appropriate authority must be notified and approval obtained.

7(ix) *Disposal of waste*

All wastes, including human wastes, shall be removed from the Area.

7(x) *Measures that may be necessary to continue to meet the aims of the Management Plan*

Permits may be granted to enter the Area to:

1. Carry out monitoring and Area inspection activities, which may involve the collection of a small number of samples or data for analysis or review;
2. Erect, install or maintain structures or scientific equipment;
3. Carry out protective measures.

7(xi) *Requirements for reports*

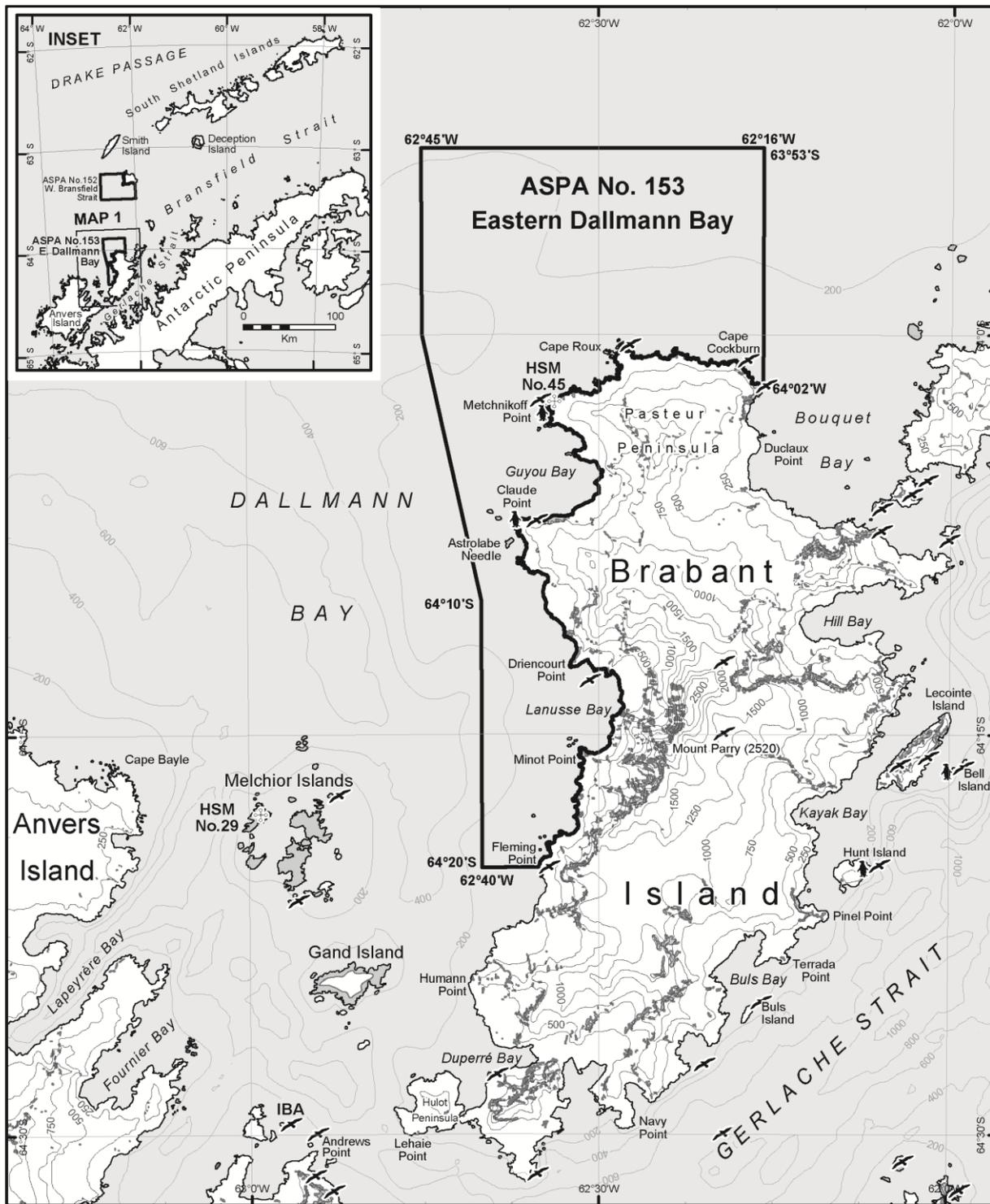
- The principal permit holder for each visit to the Area shall submit a report to the appropriate national authority as soon as practicable, and where possible within six months after the visit has been completed.
- Such reports should include, as appropriate, the information identified in the Visit Report form contained in Appendix 2 of the Guide to the Preparation of Management Plans for Antarctic Specially Protected Areas (Resolution 2 (2011)). If appropriate, the national authority should also forward a copy of the visit report to the Party that proposed the Management Plan, to assist in managing the Area and reviewing the Management Plan.
- Parties should, wherever possible, deposit originals or copies of such original reports in a publicly accessible archive to maintain a record of usage, to be used both in any review of the Management Plan and in organizing the scientific use of the Area.
- The appropriate authority should be notified of any activities/measures undertaken, anything removed and / or of any materials released and not removed, that were not included in the authorized permit.

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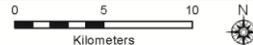
Map 1: ASP A No. 153 - Eastern Dallmann Bay

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- Coastline
- Contour (250 m)
- Isobath (200 m)
- Ice free ground
- Permanent ice
- Ocean
- ▬ Protected area boundary
- ⊕ Historic Site & Monument

- IBA Important Bird Area**
- 🐦 Flying bird colony
  - 🐧 Penguin colony



Projection: Lambert Conformal Conic  
 Spheroid and horizontal datum: WGS84  
 Data sources: Coast & topography: SCAR ADD  
 (v4.1 2005, v6 2012); Bathymetry: IBCSO (v1 2013);  
 Bird data: ERA (Mar 2015); IBA: BirdLife Int./ERA (2011);  
 Protected areas: ERA Antarctic Protected Areas v3.0 (Jun 2014);  
 HSM: ATS, revised by ERA (Jun 2014).