

Introduction to Map 15: Caol Ila to Bachlaig

This map section covers some 4.4km of coastline. It runs over low-lying ground with frequent wooded areas and more open grazing land with scrub forest. The coast edge in this map section has been classified as stable. A public road runs behind the coastal zone between Port Askaig and Bunnahabhain, providing ready access to the coast edge. There is some modern settlement in the area but this lies outside of the coastal zone and is centred upon the public road and behind the distillery at Bunnahabhain.

A total of four sites were identified within this map section; one of these had been recorded previously. These sites are all of 18-20th C date and include land boundaries (IY53), jetties and boat sheds (IY54) and a hulk (IY52). The distillery at Bunnahabhain (IY51) was built in 1881 and comprises of a range of industrial buildings around a central yard. Originally the complex included warehousing areas, malt barns, grain lofts, a cooperage, still house, engine shed and fuel stores. Workers cottages and a school were also provided. It is served by a pier. The distillery remains in production.

IY51 (NR47SW 8)

NR 4205 7322

Bunnahabhain

Bunnahabhain whisky distillery

18-20th C

Good

Nil

IY52

NR 42399 73159

Rubh'a'Mhill

Hulk

18-20th C

Fair

Nil

IY53

NR 42385 72856

Beannanam Buidhe

Land boundary

18-20th C

Fair

Nil

IY54

NR 42931 70147

Carraig Artair

Jetty and boat sheds

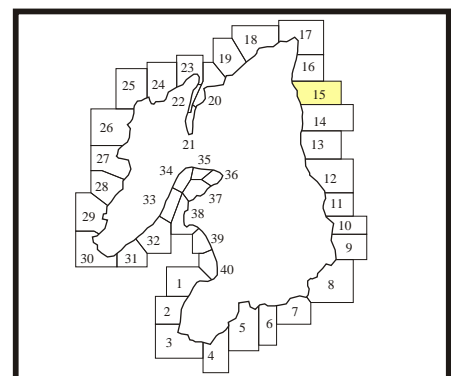
18-20th C

Fair

Nil



- Protected Ancient Monument or area of Designated Wreck
- Monument formally proposed by Historic Scotland for scheduling or wreck for designation
- + Listed Historic Building
- Undesignated wreck
- Known ancient monument
- Site found by this survey
- Site complex



1. Bunnahabhain

NR 425 721

4.4 Km

Rock platform

Coast edge >5m

Drift on visible rock/ Raised beach etc.

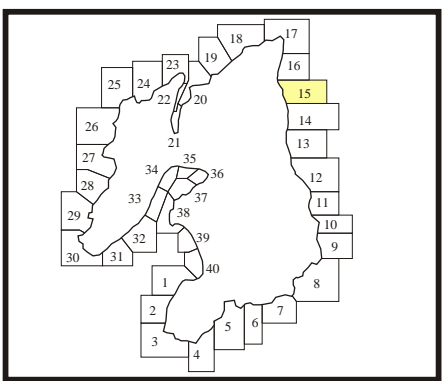
The coast edge is covered by cobbles, broken by rock outcrop and loose boulders. The hinterland is rough and overgrown with frequent scrub and is more or less impenetrable in places. The coast edge has been designated as over 5m in height however the cliffs are often set slightly back from the shore, creating a series of shallow bays. In one area the cliffs are consistently c. 20m from the coast edge and this area has been interpreted as raised beach. The coast edge in front of Caol Ila and Bunnahabhain distilleries is protected by sea walls. There is a small area of salt marsh where a river meets the sea to the north of Bunnahabhain. There has been dumping near a slip way to the north of Bunnahabhain to form a car park.



- Foreshore**
- Rock platform
 - Mainly sand
 - Mainly alluvial/marine mud
 - Marsh

- Modifiers**
- Low edge <5m
 - Cliff >5m
 - Man made barrier
 - Shingle/storm bank
 - Human disturbance

- Hinterland**
- Drift
 - Drift on visible rock
 - Raised beach etc.
 - Blown sand
 - Glacial sand/gravel
 - Alluvium



1. Bunnahabhain

NR 425 721

4.4 Km

Stable

The coast edge in this unit is rocky and stable. No signs of erosion.



- Erosion Class**
- Definitely Accreting
 - Accreting or Stable
 - Stable
 - Eroding or Stable
 - Definitely Eroding
 - Accreting and Eroding
 - No access
 - Land below 10m

