

## Habitat Change

Adding any human-made structure, such as piers, boat wrecks, or pipelines, to the marine environment can change the habitats that marine animals rely on. Marine renewable energy devices can be placed on the seafloor or up on top of the water. While these changes may affect marine animals, scientists have found that habitats often recover over time from any disturbance, and in many cases, can even provide new homes for marine animals and act as marine reserves!

