

TMS Maritime is a leading UK specialist in marine civil engineering, ancillary floating plant and diving services

Client: **Owner – ‘Girl Rona’**

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Project: **Salvage - Teignmouth**

### Requirement:

Fishing Trawler requiring immediate salvage, after running aground off the entrance to Teignmouth, Devon.



### Solution:

Raise the vessel with floatation bags, pump out and tow into harbour for an extensive repair programme.

After the crew were rescued by the local inshore RNLI Lifeboat, TMS Maritime were contracted to raise the vessel and salvage. ‘Girl Rona’ was first secured to the seabed to prevent her being brought up onto rocks in the strong spring tides. The salvage operation was then complicated and delayed as a full 12 ton catch had to be removed from the hold, before lifting operations could begin.

Airbags were secured around the hull and at the next low tide, she was pulled upright and pumped from workboats standing alongside. When stable ‘Girl Rona’ was floated on the incoming tide and towed to harbour, where she drier against the sea wall, enabling surveyors to enter the hull and prepare a schedule of repair work.

