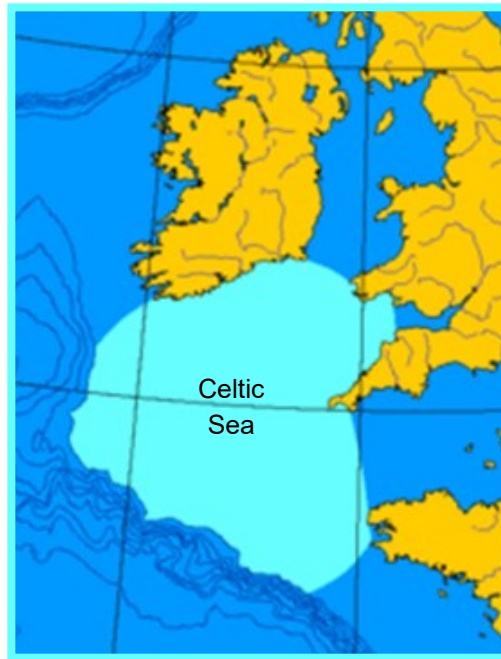
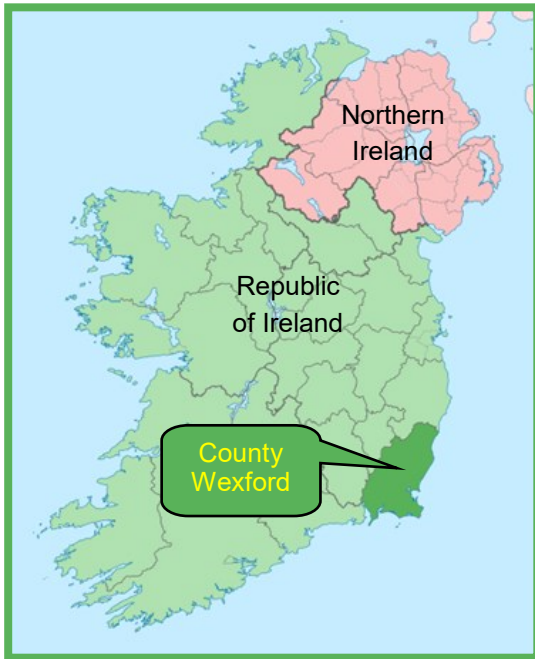


The South Wexford Coast

The South Wexford Coast is the south coast of County Wexford. County Wexford is an administrative area in the extreme southeast corner of the island of Ireland (Figure 1, left). The county has frontages on two seas: the east coast of the county borders the Irish Sea while the south coast borders the Celtic Sea (Figure 1, centre).



The Celtic Sea is the area of the Atlantic Ocean off the southern coast of Ireland. The demarcation line or dividing line between the Irish Sea and the Celtic Sea extends from Carnsore Point in Ireland to Saint David's Head in Wales.

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Figure 1. Location maps showing the South Wexford Coast.

(Sources: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/County_Wexford left, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Celtic_Sea right, and https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/c/c1/Celtic_Sea_and_Bay_of_Biscay_bathymetric_map-en.svg inset)

The South Wexford Coast is a discrete coastal unit extending from Hook Head to Carnsore Point. The coastal unit is defined by the presence of the Celtic Sea offshore, and three onshore groynes that enclose two large open bays, embayments, or coastal cells (Figure 2).

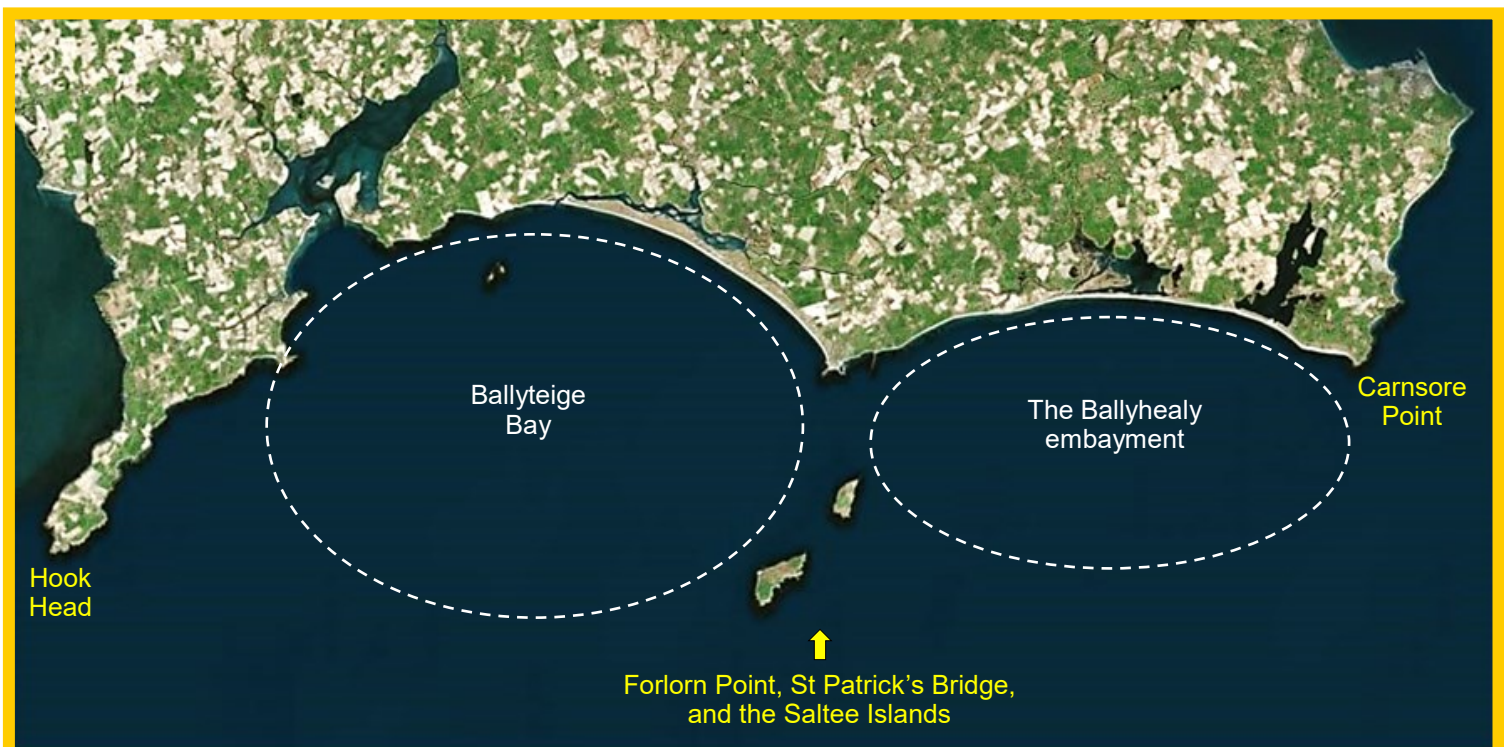


Figure 2. Three groynes enclosing two open bays (indicative extent only).

(Base image source: <https://www.bing.com/maps/>)