

MEMORANDUM FOR USCG DISTRICT 8

SUBJECT: Notice to Mariners

SNWW – LOWER REACH NECHES RIVER

The Dredge “**Everett Fisher**” (Kingfisher) is operating in the Sabine-Neches Waterway, Lower Neches River from Rainbow Bridge to Port Neches Park. Floating and submerged lines will extend to confined Placement Area No. 16 near FINA facilities. Expected completion is in late April 2000.

GIWW – HIGH ISLAND TO PORT BOLIVAR

The dredge “**E. Stroud**” (Mike Hooks) is operating in the GIWW. Floating discharge lines will extend to confined placement areas located on both the north and south banks of the GIWW. Expected completion is April 2000.

HSC – GREENS TO SIMS

The dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” (Kingfisher) is operating in the HSC between Greens Bayou and Sims Bayou. Floating discharge lines extend along the south bank of the HSC to East and West Jones Placement Areas.

HGNC – HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING - UPPER BAYOU

Dredge “**Millennium**” (Renda) is operating in the flare adjacent to the Battleship Texas. Dredge will continue downstream toward Lynchburg Crossing. Pipeline is floating outside of channel on south side, and then is submerged, crossing to the north side. Placement will continue to Lost Lake thru the duration of the project.

HGNC – HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING – UPPER BAY

The dredge “**George D. Williams**” (Weeks) is operating in the HSC, and will continue downstream. Submerged discharge lines extend across the channel to placement areas on the east side of the HSC.

HGNC – HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING - LOWER BAY

The dredge “**California**” (Weeks) is operating in the HSC, dredging upstream. Discharge line is on the east side of the channel and goes to Bolivar Marsh site.

Luhr Bros. is placing rock in Galveston Bay as part of an oyster mitigation contract. Current work location is about 3,000 ft. east of Beacon R60. Barges, both empty and light, are also anchored in the vicinity.

**HGNC – HSC & GALVESTON ENTRANCE, DEEPENING AND WIDENING
JETTY AND ENTRANCE CHANNEL**

The dredge “**Lindholm**” (Bean-Stuyvesant) is operating in the HGNC in Bolivar Roads channel. Placement is offshore.

GALVESTON HARBOR AND CHANNEL, TEXAS

The dredge “**Missouri H**” (Mike Hooks, Inc), will begin operating on or about 7 March 2000, in the Galveston Harbor and Channel, Texas, beginning at the west end of the channel near Pelican Island Bridge, working easterly towards the Houston Ship Channel. Floating and submerged discharge lines extend to confined placement areas on Pelican Island and the east end of Galveston Island (San Jacinto). Expected completion is September 2000.

GIWW - PORT O’CONNOR TO SAN ANTONIO BAY

The Dredge “**Shamrock**” (Kingfisher) is operating in the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway between Mile Marker 477 and Mile Marker 486. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend to confined placement areas on the South Bank. Expected completion date is June 2000.

The Dredge “**Shamrock**” (Kingfisher) is operating in the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Ferry Channel (Formerly Air Force Ferry Channel, intersects GIWW Mile Marker 478) between Mile Marker 6 and Mile Marker 7 at its turning basin on Matagorda Island. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend to a confined placement area on the South Bank. Expected completion date is June 2000.

GIWW - MAIN CHANNEL IN MATAGORDA BAY

An 8-inch Mowbray brand Dredge (Weeks) is operating 10 daylight hours, near Mile Marker 469 along shoreline of Sundown island located on the South side of the channel. Floating and submerged discharge lines will be confined to the existing shoreline of Sundown Island. Expected completion date is March 2000.

GIWW - CHANNEL TO VICTORIA

The Dredge “**Venture**” (Weeks) will be gathering all floating plant, including pontoon lines, and making tow during first week of March. They will operate 24 hours per day.

GIWW - MAIN CHANNEL IN MATAGORDA BAY

The Dredge “**Venture**” (Weeks) is operating between Mile Marker 468 and 470. Floating and submerged discharge lines extend to Sundown Island placement area located on the south side of the GIWW.

GIWW - BAFFIN BAY THROUGH MUD FLATS

The Dredge “**Galveston**” (Mike Hooks) is operating between Mile Marker 601 and Mile Marker 610. Floating and submerged discharge lines extend to upland placement areas on East bank. Projected completion date is March 2000.

GIWW - PORT MANSFIELD TO MUD FLATS

The Dredge “**J.N. Fisher**” (Kingfisher) is operating between Mile Marker 612 and Mile Marker 624. Floating and submerged discharge lines extend to open bay placement areas on East bank. Projected completion date is July 2000.

**MATAGORDA SHIP CHANNEL - CHANNEL TO PORT LAVACA AND
CHANNEL TO HARBOR OF REFUGE**

The 24-inch Dredge "E. Stroud" (Mike Hooks) is operating between the intersection of Channel to Port Lavaca and the Matagorda Ship Channel and ending at the basins of both Channels. Floating and submerged discharge lines extend to open bay placement areas located on both sides of the channels. Projected completion date is April 2000.

- *Caution and slow speed is advised near all ongoing work areas.*
- *Dredging operations are continuous, 24 hrs, 7 days, unless otherwise noted.*
- *Dredging operations will continue through the month unless otherwise indicated.*
- *Dredges monitor channel 13 and/or 16 on marine VHF radio, respective dredges should be contacted for coordination of passing and movement near operations.*

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