

MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction

HGNC – HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING - UPPER BAYOU

Dredge "**Millennium**" (Renda) is operating in the Houston Ship Channel upstream of Jacintoport. Pipeline is floating outside of channel on south side, and then is submerged, crossing Carpenter's Bayou. Placement will continue to Lost Lake thru the duration of the project.

HGNC – HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING – LOWER BAYOU

The dredge "**Meridian**" (Bean/Stuyvesant) has left the Lower Bayou project to dredge a project for the Wilmington District and is not expected to return to Galveston District until late June or early July 2001.

HGNC – HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING – UPPER BAY

The dredge "**George D. Williams**" (Weeks) is operating in the HSC between buoy 81 and the Bayport Channel. Submerged discharge lines extend across the channel, to Placement Area No. 14 on the east side of the HSC.

GIWW - GALVESTON CAUSEWAY TO BASTROP BAYOU

There are no dredges currently operating in this reach of channel, with the exception of a small dredge that will be operating outside the channel limits on the bay side of the mooring buoys near mile marker 375. In addition, there will be floating plant operating at the waters edge near mile marker 380, installing erosion protection on the shoreline. It is possible that the dredge "**Shamrock**" (King Fisher) may commence channel dredging by the fourth week in February near mile marker 373. Expected project completion is April 2001.

GIWW - ROLLOVER PASS TO GALVESTON CAUSEWAY

The Dredge "**Shamrock**" (King Fisher) is currently dredging in the alternate channel from the Pelican Island Bridge to the Galveston Causeway placing shoal materials in adjacent open water placement areas. The "**Shamrock**" is expected to complete this work by the second week in February and proceed to the reach of channel between the Texas City Wye and Bolivar Peninsula near mile marker 349. Dredged materials from this reach will be deposited on the rock groin on the north side of Bolivar Peninsula. Expected contract completion is April 2001.

GIWW – BRAZOS RIVER FLOODGATES

J&S Contractors, Inc. will be working on the east floodgates and associated mechanical systems, Mondays through Fridays. The floodgates have been removed from the recesses and work will be performed on the bank adjacent to the GIWW. Expected completion is April 2001.

MOUTH OF THE COLORADO

Weeks Marine will be operating in the Mouth of the Colorado River and Impoundment Basin. Floating lines will extend along the west bank to a Placement Area located along the beach west of the south jetty. Estimated completion is March 2001.

MATAGORDA SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS MATAGORDA PENINSULA TO POINT COMFORT

The Dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” (Kingfisher) will be operating in the Matagorda Ship Channel beginning at Mile Marker 18 and dig inbound. Floating and submerged lines will extend to Placement Areas located on the East Bank. Estimated completion is September 2001.

GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS MAIN CHANNEL AND NATURAL BAY BOTTOM ROUTE IN MATAGORDA BAY

The Dredge “**J.N. Fisher**” (Kingfisher) will be operating in the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway between Mile Marker 467 and Mile Marker 470. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend in a southerly direction to Sundown Island Placement Area. Expected completion is March 2001.

CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS LA QUINTA CHANNEL AND TURNING BASIN

The Dredge “**32**” (Mike Hooks) will be operating in the La Quinta Ship Channel beginning at the Corpus Christi Ship Channel Junction and extending to the La Quinta Turning Basin. Floating and submerged lines will extend along the West bank to a Placement Area located on the West bank. Estimated completion is February 2001.

GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS LAGUNA MADRE TO PORT ISABEL

The Dredge “**Shamrock**” (Kingfisher) will be operating in the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway beginning at Port Mansfield vicinity between Mile Marker 581 and Mile Marker 585. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend to Placement Areas on the West Bank. Expected completion is June 2001.

- *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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