

## MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction

**SNWW – UPPER REACH NECHES RIVER CHANNEL, PORT ARTHUR CANAL JUNCTION AREA, AND PORT ARTHUR CANAL JUNCTION AREA, AND PORT ARTHUR TURNING BASINS ENTRANCE CHANNEL IN JEFFERSON AND ORANGE COUNTIES, TEXAS**

The contract dredge “**Marion**” is conducting dredging operations in the Sabine Neches Canal at the Signal International Dry Docks. Floating and submerged pipelines will extend to the placement area on the east side of the channel. The contractor is Pine Bluff Sand & Gravel.

**HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING (HGNC) – MID BAYOU**

The dredge “**CALIFORNIA**” is conducting dredge operations upstream approximately three (3) miles south of the Lynchburg Ferry working upstream. Floating and submerged pipelines will extend to the Goat Island placement area.

**HSC, UPPER BAY AND BARGE LANES**

Pipeline dredge “**Jason LaQuay**” is working in HSC on the barge lane on the green side of the channel between Marker 89 and the Bayport Flare. Material is being placed in Houston Ship Channel.

**HSC, LOWER BAYOU**

Pipeline dredge “**John LaQuay**” is working downstream of SH 146 bridge. Floating and submerged pipelines will extend to the Alexander Island Placement Area.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS  
SAN BENARD RIVER TO EAST MATAGORDA BAY**

The Dredge “**Everett Fisher**” and related floating plants will begin dredging operations in the Colorado River Crossing December 16, 2004. Dredging in the Colorado River Crossing will be from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. for approximately 10 days duration. Dredging in the entire reach will continue thereafter. Floating and submerged lines will extend to Placement Area.

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

The Dredge “**Everett Fisher**” (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) 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. The Dredge ‘**Everett Fisher**’ will also be operating in Matagorda Bay beginning in the vicinity of Matagorda Ship Channel Mile Marker 4 and dig for approximately one mile East, restoring the natural bay bottom. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend to a Placement Area located on the East Bank of the Matagorda Ship Channel, approximately two miles northwest of the dredging activity. Estimated completion is mid-March 2005.

**MATAGORDA SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS  
GALINIPPER POINT TO POINT COMFORT**

The Dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) will be operating vicinity of Mile Marker 19. Floating and submerged lines will extend to a Placement Area located on the East Bank. Expected completion time is March 2005.

**CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS  
LOWER BAY AND LA QUINTA CHANNEL**

The Dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) will be operating in the Corpus Christi Ship Channel near the La Quinta Junction. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend to a Placement Area located on the South Bank of the Corpus Christi Ship Channel. Estimated completion is June 2005.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS  
PACKERY CHANNEL**

Luhr Brothers, Inc. will be operating in the proposed Packery Channel via the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway which parallels the East half of the Kennedy Causeway Bridge. Large single stone barges will be staged along the mouth of the Lydia Ann Channel near Harbor Island in Port Aransas and near Mile Marker 550 in Corpus Christi Bay. Tows with stone barges and related floating plant will be operating/anchoring along the proposed Packery Channel. Tows will be delivering multiple stone barges for construction of Jetties. Estimated completion is April 2005.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS  
BAFFIN BAY TO PORT ISABEL**

The Dredge “**JN Fisher**” will be operating between Baffin Bay and Port Isabel. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend toward both banks. Estimated completion is March 2005.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS  
CHANNEL TO HARLINGEN**

The Dredge “**Shamrock**” (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) will be operating in the Arroyo Colorado vicinity of the Wyes. Floating and submerged lines will extend toward the North Bank. Estimated completion is March 2005.

**BRAZOS ISLAND HARBOR, TEXAS  
BROWNSVILLE INSIDE JETTY CHANNEL**

The Dredge “**Millenium**” (Goodloe Marine, Inc.) and related equipment is now offsite.

- » *Mariners are urged to transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake and proceed with caution after passing arrangements have been made.*
- » *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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