

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

Dredging is complete.

GALVESTON BAY OYSTER MITIGATION

Construction is complete.

HSC - SIMS BAYOU TO TURNING BASINS, USCG BASIN

Pipeline dredge "**Jason LaQuay**" is dredging the Houston Ship Channel, Sims Bayou to Turning Basins, and U. S. Coast Guard Basin. The dredge is working in or near the Main Turning Basin in the month of August, and then will proceed to vicinity of Wharf 17 and work downstream after that. Floating, submerged, and land-laid pipeline will extend to Stimpson House-Tract Placement Area near Loop 610 and Turning Basin Road. The Contractor is T.W. LaQuay Dredging, Inc. Allowed dredging time is 210 calendar days.

**GALVESTON HARBOR, TEXAS
GALVESTON HARBOR CHANNEL**

The Dredge "**32**" and related floating plants will be conducting dredging operations in Galveston Harbor Channel between Docks 27 and 37. Mostly floating lines will be use to get to land and surface pipe by land to Pelican Island Placement Area. The Dredge "**32**" is expected to be in operation approximately 70 – 75 days in this vicinity.

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

The Dredge "**J.N. Fisher**" and related floating plants are conducting dredging operations in the GIWW. The dredge is around Mile Marker 433 and moving east. Floating and submerged lines will extend to Placement Area.

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

The Dredge "**Leonard Fisher**" (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) is now offsite.

**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 **547** 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 August 2005.

**CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS
LA QUINTA JUNCTION TO MAIN TURNING BASIN**

The Dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) will be operating in the Corpus Christi Ship Channel, in Corpus Christi Bay beginning at the vicinity of the Rincon Canal intersection and dig inbound. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend to Placement Areas on the South side of the channel. Estimated completion is December 2005.

- » *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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