

MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction

**SNWW – PORT ARTHUR CANAL JUNCTION AREA AND PORT ARTHUR
TURNING BASINS ENTRANCE CHANNEL IN JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS**

The Dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” is dredging in the Sabine Neches Canal. Floating and submerged dredge pipelines will extend behind the dredge to Placement Area No. 8 on the east side of the channel.

FREEMPORT HARBOR ENTRANCE AND JETTY CHANNELS

The Dredge “**Stuyvesant**” is off site.

HSC - SIMS BAYOU TO TURNING BASINS, USCG BASIN

Pipeline dredges completed the dredging of the Houston Ship Channel, Sims Bayou to Turning Basins, and U. S. Coast Guard Basin in early February. Floating, submerged, and land-laid pipelines are being removed from the Ship Channel. The Contractor is T.W. LaQuay Dredging, Inc.

**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. 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 June 2006.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS
CHANNEL TO VICTORIA MIDDLE REACH**

The Dredges “**JN Fisher**” (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) will be operating in the Channel to Victoria between mile marker 12 and mile marker 24. Floating, submerged, and land-laid discharge lines will extend to upland Placement Area on the North side of the channel. Estimated completion is April 2006.

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

The Dredge “**Jason LaQuay**” (LaQuay Dredging) is now offsite.

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

The Dredge “**Jason LaQuay**” (LaQuay Dredging) will be operating in the MATAGORDA SHIP CHANNEL from mile marker 18 and to the Turning Basin. Floating, and submerged discharge lines will extend to upland Placement Areas on the North side of the channel. Estimated completion is mid April 2006.

**BRAZOS ISLAND HARBOR, TEXAS
BROWNSVILLE ENTRANCE CHANNEL, HOPPER DREDGING**

The Hopper Dredge “Wheeler” 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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