

## MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction

**GALVESTON HARBOR AND CHANNELS, DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF RANGE TOWERS**

A Contractor will be starting to remove the four hopper dredge range towers, about 3000 feet north of the Houston Ship Channel, near Bolivar Peninsula, in May 2006. They will be using two floating barges with cranes, and the work may require some clamshell dredging (no pipeline dredging). The Contractor is Orion Construction LP. The allowed work time is 120 days.

**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 completed by end of April 06.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS  
MAIN CHANNEL IN ARANSAS BAY**

The Dredge “**J. N. Fisher** (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) will be operating in the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway across Aransas Bay from mile marker 512 mile marker 519. Floating, and submerged discharge lines will extend to Placement Areas on both sides of the channel. Estimated completion is mid June 2006.

**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 June 2006.

- » *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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