31 January, 2012 Reference Notice 2012-03

MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction – Most Recent Update(s) Highlighted

SABINE NECHES WATERWAY – SABINE NECHES CANAL AND UPPER NECHES RIVER, IN JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS

The Dredge "Mike Hooks" (Mike Hooks, Inc.) is dredging in the Sabine Neches Canal . Dredge material is being disposed into Placement Area No. 11. Dredge "32" is dredging in the Upper Reach Neches River . Dredge material is being disposed into Placement Area No. 25. Floating and submerged pipelines will extend into behind the dredge into Placement Area No. 25 on the west side of the channel.

HOUSTON GALVESTON NAVIGATION CHANNEL, TEXAS – PLACEMENT AREAS NOS. 14 AND 15 EXPANSION WITH DREDGING BAYPORT TO MORGAN POINT, IN HARRIS AND CHAMBERS COUNTIES, TEXAS

"R.S. Weeks" (Weeks Marine) is mining HSC at depths up to -70 MLT starting upstream of Markers 83/84 and working toward Markers 75/76. Dredge is currently between Markers 82 and 84. Material is being used to construct new marsh cells on the east side of Atkinson Island.

HOUSTON GALVESTON NAVIGATION CHANNEL, TEXAS – REDFISH REEF ISLAND TO BEACON 76, IN GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS

Dredge "California" (Great Lakes Dredge and Docks) will begin performing maintenance dredging of Houston Ship Channel on/about 28 December. The dredge will begin in the vicinity of Markers 67/68 and work outbound. Material will be placed in Mid Bay Placement Area.

HOUSTON SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS – DREDGING EXXON TO CARPENTERS BAYOU, IN GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS

Dredge "John C. LaQuay" (King Fisher Marine Services) is currently performing maintenance dredging near San Jacinto Monument working towards Carpenters Bayou. Material is being placed in Peggy Lake Placement Area.

FREEPORT HARBOR, TEXAS – FREEPORT ENTRANCE CHANNEL, JETTY CHANNEL, AND LOWER TURNING BASIN, IN BRAZORIA COUNTY, TEXAS

Dredging operations complete. Dredge is offsite.

GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS, GALVESTON CAUSEWAY TO BASTROP BAYOU, IN GALVESTON AND BRAZORIA COUNTIES, TEXAS

The dredge "Jonathan King Boyd" (RLB Contracting) is currently dredging the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway near Mile Marker 363 and proceeding along an easterly direction towards the Galveston Causeway. Dredge material is being disposed into east discharge corridor of unconfined Placement Area 62. Floating and submerged pipeline extends behind the dredge and into unconfined Placement Area 62. The dredge pipeline will be relocated to confined Placement Area 58A on 24-25 Jan 2012 in preparation for dredging of the last two remaining channel sections of contract.

GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS, CORPUS CHRISTI BAY TO PORT ISABEL, IN NUECES, KLEBERG, KENEDY, WILLACY AND CAMERON COUNTIES, TEXAS

The Contractor "King Fisher Marine Services, is conducting dredging operations in the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway. The contractor will utilize two Dredges for this contract. The Cutterhead Dredge "Jason LaQuay" will commence dredging in early part of January, 2012, at approximate Mile Marker 583.6 and proceeding on a southerly direction. Material will be placed in confined, and open water placement areas. The Cutterhead Dredge "JN Fisher" is working north of the Queen Isabella Memorial Bridge in Port Isabel, Texas, between mile markers 655. Material will be placed in open water placement areas.

CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL TEXAS, CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL CHANNEL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN NUECES, AND SAN PATRICIO COUNTIES, TEXAS

The Contractor "Lecon Inc." Rock Revetment work commenced at the Junction of Corpus Christi Ship Channel and La Quinta Channel. West of Homeport Naval Station; outside of the channels, and along mile markers 10.3. Floating Barges will be present in the area.

CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL TEXAS, CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL, CHANNEL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN LAQUINTA CHANNEL EXTENSION, IN NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS

The Contractor "King Fisher Marine Services" using The Cutterhead Dredge "Richard Laquay" commence dredging operations 1.3 miles west of La Quinta Turning Basin and moving on a easterly direction. Contractor's submerged and floating pipeline for dredging extend 2000' feet south, and discharging/constructing Beneficial Use Site (BUS) levee .

- » 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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