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#### MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction

#### SABINE NECHES WATERWAY- SABINE PASS OUTER BAR AND BANK CHANNEL, TEXAS

Hopper Dredge Bayport and Hopper Dredge Glenn Edwards (Manson Construction, Co.) are dredging the Sabine Bank Channel. Dredge material is disposed into open water Placement Area No. 1 on the west side of the channel. Dredging should be done by end of October 2012.

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

Weeks Marine and subcontractor Luhr Bros are continuing with construction of levee and shore protection on the east side of Atkinson Island.

### HOUSTON SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS – GREENS TO SIMS BAYOU, IN HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

The Dredge "32" (Mike Hooks, Inc.) is dredging in the Houston Ship Channel. Dredge material is being deposited into Rosa Allen Placement Area.

# GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS - BRAZOS RIVER CROSSING, IN BRAZORIA COUNTY, TEXAS

The Cutterhead Dredge "Jonathon King Boyd" (RLB Contracting) is dredging the Intercoastal Waterway Brazos River Crossing at mile marker 400 during nighttime hours. A pontoon line and submerged pipeline is in place. Material will be discharged into the Brazos River south of the crossing. Dredging is expected to continue until August 3, 2012. This dredging will be followed by dredging in the Intracoastal Waterway between mile-markers 395 and 405 during daylight hours using disposal sites north and south of the waterway until September 2012.

### EMERGENCY REPAIRS GULF COAST JETTIES AND TEXAS CITY DIKE, TEXAS

Luhr Brothers is performing revetment work on the North Galveston Jetty with equipment mounted on a spud barge and attendant plant. The barge will be located outside the channel and work will be performed during daylight hours.

### MATAGORDA SHIP CHANNEL AND FREEPORT HARBOR TEXAS, in MATAGORDA AND BRAZORIA COUNTIES, TEXAS

Dredge "B.E. Lindholm" (Weeks Marine, Inc.) is working in Matagorda Ship Channel Entrance Channel.

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

The Contractor "ORION MARINE GROUP" The Cutterhead Dredge "LINDA Laquay" is off site. Dredging operations will not resume until further notice at 1.3 miles west of La Quinta Turning Basin and will continue moving on an easterly direction. Contractor's related floating plant including submerged and floating pipeline for dredging extend 3000' feet south to the SPILLBARGE Dredge "Shamrock" is staged next to the earth levee.. At the moment only levee work is being done.

## CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS. CORPUS CHRISTI INNER BASIN TO VIOLA BASIN, IN NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS

The Cutterhead Dredge "Everett Fisher" (Orion Dredging) is currently working on this project at approximate Mile Marker 21.78 in the Main Turning Basin, west of the Harbor Bridge and dredging in an easterly direction. Material will be placed in confined placement areas Rincon and Herbie Maurer. The Cutterhead Dredge "JN Fisher" (Orion Dredging) is dredging in the Rincon Canal for this project in the first part of September, 2012 at approximate Mile Marker 2.80 and dredging on a southerly direction. Material will be placed in confined placement areas Rincon and Causeway Bird Island.

- » 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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