

MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction

**SNWW - SABINE PASS CHANNEL**

The dredge “**George D. Williams**” (Weeks) is operating in the Sabine Pass Channel. Floating and submerged lines extend behind the dredge to the placement area on the east side of the channel.

**HSC – HOUSTON SHIP CHANNEL**

**SIMS BAYOU TO TURNING BASIN & LIGHT DRAFT CHANNEL**

The Dredge “**Millennium**” (Renda Marine) has completed dredging.

**HGNC – HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING – LOWER BAYOU**

The dredge “**Meridian**” (Bean/Stuyvesant) has left the Lower Bayou project to dredge a project for the Wilmington District and is not expected to return to Galveston District until mid-Jan 2002.

A subcontractor is also placing stone shore protection on the northeast and southeast banks of Alexander Island Placement area.

**HGNC – HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING – UPPER BAY**

Placement of shore protection at Atkinson Island Marsh is complete. Contractor is now seeding the levees, with no interference to navigation. Expected completion is in mid-November.

**BAYPORT SHIP CHANNEL - FLARE**

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**HGNC – HSC DEEPENING AND WIDENING – MID-BAY**

**Weeks Marine** is scheduled to begin placing rock erosion protection on the channel side of PA’s 14 & 15 beginning early November. A bucket dredge is scheduled to arrive mid-December to begin removing the pipeline plug near beacon 46 and between beacons 50 & 52.

**DOUBLE BAYOU CHANNEL**

Dredging is complete, the dredge is now offsite.

**GIWW – EROSION PROTECTION**

**Kingfisher Marine** has completed placing cellular concrete mats along the embankment of Placement Areas 34 and 35, on the bank of the GIWW.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS  
CHANNEL TO PALACIOS**

The Dredge “**Jason LaQuay**” (T.W. LaQuay Dredging) will be operating in the Channel to Palacios beginning near the Turning Basin and dig outbound. Floating and submerged lines will extend to Placement Areas on the West bank. Estimated completion is December 2001

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

Dredging is complete, the dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” is now offsite.

**MATAGORDA SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS  
ENTRANCE CHANNEL**

The Hopper Dredge “**Padre Island**” (NATCO) will be operating in the Matagorda Entrance Channel. The Hopper Dredge will travel from the Entrance Channel to a Placement Area on the West Bank. Estimated completion is November 2001.

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

The Dredge “**32**” (Mike Hooks) will be operating in the Victoria Barge Canal between the Missouri-Pacific Railroad Bridge and the Turning Basin. Floating and submerged lines will extend to a Placement Area located on the West Bank. Expected completion time is March 2002.

- *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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