

MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction

HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING (HGNC) – 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-April 2002.

HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING (HGNC) – MID-BAY

Bucket dredge “**506**” (Weeks) is working on HSC at about marker 52, working on red side heading downstream. Material is being transported by scow barge offshore; scow makes runs 2-4 times per day, and is being towed (not pushed!) by “**MV Thomas**”.

GIWW-BRAZOS RIVER TO BOGGY

The dredge “**Shamrock**” (Kingfisher) is dredging westbound from Sargent, Texas. Floating discharge pipeline from dredge to the beach placement area south of the GIWW.. Estimated completion is June 2002.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS
BRAZOS RIVER FLOODGATES**

J&S Contractors is repairing damage on the east and west guidewalls of the Brazos River Floodgates. This work may require the closure of the floodgates for periods of up to 8 hrs, as necessary. Work to be performed between 11 March, 2002 to 12 April, 2002, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Work will not be performed on weekends or holidays.

FREEPORT HARBOR

The dredge “**Millennium**” (Renda), pipeline dredge, will begin dredging the last week of March at the Freeport Harbor, Inside Channel and Turning Basins. A floating discharge pipeline will run from the dredge to the shore east of Phillips dock area then to placement area #1. Expected completion date is June 2002.

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

The dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” (King Fisher) will be operating vicinity of Mile Marker 20 near the Turning Basin. Floating and submerged lines will extend to a Placement Area on the East Bank. Estimated completion is February 2002.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS
MAIN CHANNEL IN MATAGORDA BAY & NATURAL BAY BOTTOM**
After completion of Matagorda Ship channel, the dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” (King Fisher) will be operating vicinity of Mile Marker 469. Floating and submerged lines will extend to a Placement Area located on the South Bank. Expected completion time is March 2002.

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

Dredging is complete, the dredge "Jason LaQuay" (T.W. LaQuay Dredging) is now offsite.

**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.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS
EMERGENCY REPAIR TO WASHOUTS AT PORT MANSFIELD NORTH AND
SOUTH JETTIES & DREDGING TO SUPPLY THE MATERIAL FOR FILL**

The Hopper dredge "Northerly Island" (NATCO) will be operating between the Port Mansfield Jetties. The Hopper dredge and other related floating plant will be working on both Jetties. Expected completion is May 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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