

## MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction

**SNWW – UPPER REACH NECHES RIVER CHANNEL, PORT ARTHUR CANAL JUNCTION AREA, AND PORT ARTHUR CANAL JUNCTION AREA, AND PORT ARTHUR TURNING BASINS ENTRANCE CHANNEL IN JEFFERSON AND ORANGE COUNTIES, TEXAS**

The contract dredge “**Marion**” is conducting dredging operations in the Sabine Neches Canal at the Eye Ball. Floating and submerged pipelines will extend to the placement area on the east side of the channel. The contractor is Pine Bluff Sand & Gravel.

**GALVESTON NORTH AND SOUTH JETTIES TIDE GAGE STRUCTURES**

Boines Construction and Equipment Company will be performing repairs to the North and South Galveston Jetties Tide Gage Structures just inside the rock jetties. The Contractor will be removing the South Jetty upper gage structure with a barge-mounted crane, refurbishing it with new steel and wood. Minimal work will be done to the North structure. No work will be undertaken in the Galveston Channel. Contract is expected to be completed in mid to late February.

**HSC, DEEPENING AND WIDENING (HGNC) – MID BAYOU**

The dredge “**CALIFORNIA**” is conducting dredge operations upstream approximately three (3) miles south of the Lynchburg Ferry working upstream. Floating and submerged pipelines will extend to the Goat Island placement area.

**HSC, UPPER BAY AND BARGE LANES**

Pipeline dredge “**Jason LaQuay**” is working in HSC adjacent to flare at Bayport Ship Channel, and will then begin dredging the barge lanes between Markers 75/76 and 92. Floating and submerged pipelines will extend to placement area.

**HSC, LOWER BAYOU**

Pipeline dredge “**John LaQuay**” is working downstream of SH 146 bridge. Floating and submerged pipelines will extend to the Alexander Island Placement Area.

**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS  
SAN BENARD RIVER TO EAST MATAGORDA BAY**

The Dredge “**Everett Fisher**” and related floating plants will begin dredging operations in the Colorado River Crossing December 16, 2004. Dredging in the Colorado River Crossing will be from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. for approximately 10 days duration. Dredging in the entire reach will continue thereafter. Floating and submerged lines will extend to Placement Area.

## **GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS**

### **MAIN CHANNEL IN MATAGORDA BAY & NATURAL BAY BOTTOM ROUTE**

The Dredge “**Everett Fisher**” (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) will be operating in the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway between Mile Marker 467 and Mile Marker 470. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend in a southerly direction to Sundown Island Placement Area. Estimated completion is February 2005.

### **MATAGORDA SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS GALINIPPER POINT TO POINT COMFORT**

The Dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) will be operating between Mile Marker 19 (Galnipper Point and in to the Point Comfort Turning Basin. Floating and submerged lines will extend to Placement Areas located on the East Bank and West Banks. Expected completion time is March 2005.

### **CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS LOWER BAY AND LA QUINTA CHANNEL**

The Dredge “**Leonard Fisher**” (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) is now offsite.

### **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. Large single stone barges will be staged along the mouth of the Lydia Ann Channel near Harbor Island in Port Aransas and near Mile Marker 550 in Corpus Christi Bay. 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 March 2005.

### **GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS BAFFIN BAY TO PORT ISABEL**

Kingfisher Marine Service, LP will be constructing open water levees, geotextile containment structures along both banks at various locations along this reach. This Contractor will have tows with barges and related floating plant offloading and loading construction equipment along the entire reach. The Dredge “**Shamrock**” and the Dredge “**JN Fisher**” will be operating between Baffin Bay and Port Isabel. Floating and submerged lines will extend toward both banks. Estimated completion is March 2005.

### **GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS CHANNEL TO HARLINGEN**

The Dredge “**JN Fisher**” (Kingfisher Marine Service,LP) is now offsite.

### **BRAZOS ISLAND HARBOR, TEXAS BROWNSVILLE INSIDE JETTY CHANNEL**

The Dredge “**Millenium**” (Goodloe Marine, Inc.) is now offsite. Tug, crane Barge and equipment barges will be loading shore pipe and machinery at vicinity of the North Jetty. Estimated completion is February 2005.

- » *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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