

MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction

HSC - SIMS BAYOU TO TURNING BASINS, USCG BASIN

Pipeline dredges "**Jason LaQuay**" and "**John C. LaQuay**" resumed dredging the Houston Ship Channel, Sims Bayou to Turning Basins, and U. S. Coast Guard Basin in late October. The two dredges will finish the Upper Turning Basin and the downstream end of the contract near Brady Island to downstream of the Loop 610 Bridge, including the US Coast Guard Basin. Floating, submerged, and land-laid pipelines extend to Stimpson House-Tract Placement Area. The Contractor is T.W. LaQuay Dredging, Inc. The dredging should be complete around the end of December.

**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 **547** 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.

**CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS
LA QUINTA JUNCTION TO MAIN TURNING BASIN**

The Dredge "**Leonard Fisher**" (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) will be operating in the Corpus Christi Ship Channel, in Corpus Christi Bay beginning at the vicinity of the Rincon Canal intersection and dig inbound. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend to Placement Areas on the South side of the channel. The Dredge "**JN Fisher**" (Kingfisher Marine Service, LP) will be operating in the Corpus Christi Ship Channel Main Basin, immediately past the Harbor Bridge, dredging docks and channel. Floating and submerged discharge lines will extend to a Placement Area on the North side of the Basin. Estimated completion is December 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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