

CESWG-OD-N

27 August, 2010
Reference Notice
2010-15**MEMORANDUM FOR NAVIGATION INTERESTS**

SUBJECT: Forecast of Dredging and Marine Construction

SABINE NECHES WATERWAY – LOWER AND MIDDLE REACHES NECHES RIVER, IN JEFFERSON AND ORANGE COUNTIES, TEXAS

The Dredge “Marion” (Pine Bluff Dredging Co.) is dredging the Lower Neches River, near the Rainbow Bridge. Dredge material will be going to placement area #13 and #16.

HOUSTON SHIP CHANNEL – SIMS BAYOU TO TURNING BASIN AND LIGHT DRAFT CHANNEL, IN HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

The Cutterhead Dredge “Jason LaQuay” (T.W. LaQuay Dredging LLC) is dredging Houston Ship Channel in the Main Turning Basin, and will proceed down the channel to Sims Bayou over the next five months. All material is being placed at House Tract Placement Area. The small cutterhead dredge “Shamrock” will be used to dredge the Light Draft Channel (navigable part of Buffalo Bayou).

HOUSTON SHIP CHANNEL – MORGAN’S POINT TO EXXON AND BARBOUR’S CUT TERMINAL, IN HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

The Cutterhead Dredge “Leonard Fisher” (King Fisher Marine Service LP) dredging operations in the Houston Ship Channel and Barbour's Cut Terminal are in progress. Dredging operations will proceed until March 2011. All material will be placed in Spilmans Island and Alexander Island Placement Areas.

HGNC – GALVESTON CHANNEL DEEPENING STATION 20+000 to 8+031.53

King Fisher Marines’ pipeline Dredge “Wayman Boyd;” A submerged line, pontoon line and shore pipeline is in place to San Jacinto Placement Area. Dredging operations are in progress.

RECOVERY-GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS, HIGH ISLAND TO ROLLOVER PASS, PLACEMENT AREA LEVEE REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS, PLACEMENT AREA NO. 28, 33, 34, AND 35

Construction is being performed simultaneously on Placement Areas 28, 33, 34 and 35 in a contract with ECC along the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway between High Island Bridge and Rollover Bay and in a separate contract with Weston on Placement Areas 36, 37, 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43 along the GIWW from Rollover Bay to Port Bolivar. In some cases work will be conducted from the water side with work barges to install articulated concrete blocks along the levees fronting the GIWW. It is requested that barges be restricted from parking on the banks of these placement areas as work is being conducted. Work is anticipated to continue through the end of June. A slow bell is also requested through this reach because wakes will affect the contractors ability to work and place materials on the banks. Operations scheduled through end of June. Signs requesting a no wake zone are being put up by the Contractors in areas where workers are on the banks of the GIWW laying the geotextile or articulated concrete mats.

GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS – MAIN CHANNEL, COLORADO RIVER TO UPPER MATAGORDA BAY IN BRAZORIA AND MATAGORDA COUNTIES, TEXAS.

The Dredge J.N. Fisher will begin dredging on/about August 31, 2010 at mile marker 455 and dredging easterly. Partially confined placement area on the south side of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway will be used.

COLORADO RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES, TEXAS, MOUTH OF COLORADO RIVER, IN MATAGORDA COUNTY, TEXAS

The construction barge MBI-01 (Javeler Construction Co. Inc. subcontractor to David Boland, Inc.) is dredging the Colorado River Channel in a southerly direction with pipeline along the westerly shoreline to the beach placement area.

CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS – LAQUINTA CHANNEL AND JEWEL FULTON CANAL IN NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS

The Dredge “John C LaQuay” is dredging operations in the La Quinta Channel. The dredge is in La Quinta Channel at mile marker 5.44 will continue dredging towards the basin. Material will be placed in up-land Placement Area Number 13.

GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, TEXAS – MAIN CHANNEL ACROSS ARANSAS BAY IN ARANSAS AND CALHOUN COUNTIES, TEXAS.

The Dredge J.N. Fisher is dredging in Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, in the Aransas Bay at mile marker 512.05 and dredging in a easterly direct. Open water Placement areas on the west side of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (G.I.W.W) will be used. Dredging operations soon to be complete; approximately 3 to 5 days.

- » *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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