

MEMORANDUM FOR: **NAVIGATION INTERESTS**
 GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY
 BRAZOS RIVER FLOODGATES, TEXAS
 -- Time extension--

SITUATION: NAVIGATIONAL RESTRICTIONS. K&K Industries Inc, Contractor will be working at the Brazos River Floodgates. This work will require closures of the Floodgates during the designated periods of work. **Navigation closures at the Brazos River Floodgates will be in effect.**

TIME: 2 22 December 2011 to ~~31 December 2011~~ **31 January 2012**, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Work will not be performed on weekends or Federal holidays.

NOTE: The current maintenance activities are likely to continue Monday through Friday, five days per week, until contract completion, estimated as February 2011. Gate closures will be likely during this period. Gate closures are not expected to be in effect during weekends and federal holidays.

ADDITIONAL NOTE: Width of the Brazos River Floodgates has been reduced to 74 .4 feet due to utilization of fender systems in Sector Gate recesses during the contract to rehabilitate the East and West Floodgates. Care should be taken to avoid damage by tows when entering or exiting the floodgates where the gates are removed and the fender systems are installed. Over-width tows in excess of 55 feet will only transit during daylight hours. Any information needed may be obtained by contacting the Lockmaster at the Brazos River Floodgates, Monday thru Friday from 0800 until 1500 each day at 979-233-1251.

COOPERATION
SOLICITED:

Mariners should contact the Lock Master at (979) 233-1251 to confirm the closure time so as to minimize their delay. The Lock Master will be knowledgeable of the exact closure times 24 hrs in advance of closure. Mariners are urged to transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake and proceed with caution after passing arrangements have been made. Mariners are advised that commercial and recreational traffic will not be allowed through the lock during periods of closure.

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