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Dredging operation at West Bay relocates to PA62

GALVESTON, Texas (Dec. 23, 2011) –The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Galveston District began placing dredged material from the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway Causeway to Bastrop dredging project on Placement Area 62 today following completion of work at PA63.

“We are aware that many fishing enthusiasts and recreational boaters had intended to enjoy this area of the bay during the holiday season and ask for the public’s patience while we complete vital dredging work to ensure the channel remains open for commerce,” said Alicia Rea, project operations manager with USACE Galveston District.

Approximately 150,000 cubic yards of material will be placed along the narrowest portions of the banks of PA62 using a technique aimed at reducing the discharge of material into any surrounding seagrass beds.

“We have been coordinating closely with our partners to identify alternate methods of disposal while working within our authorized limitations to complete this project,” Rea said.

The pumping of dredged material on PA62 will continue for approximately four weeks.

For more information about this project, call the Public Affairs Office at 409-766-3005 or visit www.swg.usace.army.mil. Find us on Facebook, www.facebook.com/GalvestonDistrict or follow us on Twitter, www.twitter.com/USACEgalveston.

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