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Re-Opening of GIWW Alternate Route

Effective immediately on September 18, 2020, the Captain of the Port (COTP) New Orleans has set port condition NORMAL for the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW) Alternate Route. Vessel transits are permitted on the Alternate Route (refer to MSIB Vol XX Issue 087a for details).

All Aids to Navigation (ATON) discrepancies were either corrected or temporarily corrected. The following virtual AIS signals are currently not being broadcast:

Light List Number	AID Name	MMSI Number	
11672.39	V-AIS 69	993686021	
11672.43	V-AIS 65	993686020	
11672.45	V-AIS 62	993686019	
11672.49	V-AIS 57	993686018	
11672.52	V-AIS 54	993686017	
11672.55	LT 50 (Destroyed)	993686016	
11672.55	V-AIS 49	993686015	
11672.58	V-AIS 46	993686014	
11672.63	V-AIS 41	993686013	
11672.65	V-AIS 38	993686012	

Mariners using the GIWW Alternate Route should be aware of shoaling found in the vicinity of Buoy 22 (mile 1.7) in Baptiste Collette; refer to https://hydrosurvey.mvn.usace.army.mil/navpgs/n_outlets_at_venice.asp for the updated USACE survey of the area.

Mariners are reminded that the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal (IHNC) Lock and St. Claude Avenue Bridge are closed.

Although waterways are open to traffic, shoaling, storm debris, and other hazards may still exist. Mariners transiting the area should use caution, and report any Aids to Navigation outages or other waterways issues to the Coast Guard.

Waterways Management: (504) 365-2280 Email address: SecNOLA-WPM@uscg.mil

Sector New Orleans Command Center (24 hour): (504) 365-2200

Vessel Traffic Center (24 Hour): (504) 365-2514 or VHF-FM channels 5A, 12, or 67

Coast Guard District Eight Bridges: (504) 671-2128 National Response Center (24 Hour): 1-800-424-8802

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