

MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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Waterways Status – MARDI GRAS Festivities- - NEW ORLEANS, LA

The Mardi Gras festivities will be held in New Orleans, LA beginning on February 25, 2022 and lasting through March 1, 2022. As part of the celebrations, multiple events will be taking place on or adjacent to the Lower Mississippi River (LMR). In anticipation of these events, the U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port New Orleans, under the authority of the Ports and Waterways Safety Act, will be establishing the following security and safety zones:

Temporary Security Zone – February 25, 2022 through March 1, 2022

The U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port New Orleans will enforce a temporary security zone from 6 p.m. on February 25, 2022 through 11:59 p.m. on March 1, 2022 and will cover all navigable waters within 400 yards of the Left Descending Bank (LDB) between Mile Marker (MM) 94.4 and MM 95.1 Above Head of Passes (AHP), LMR, New Orleans, Louisiana. All vessels are prohibited from entering the security zone unless they have been granted permission by the Captain of the Port New Orleans or a designated representative.

Temporary Safety Zone – February 28, 2022

The U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port New Orleans will enforce a temporary safety zone from 6 p.m. through 7 p.m. on February 28, 2022 between MM 93 and MM 96 AHP. This safety zone is needed to protect persons and vessels from the potential safety hazards associated with a fireworks display celebrating Lundi Gras. All vessels are prohibited from entering the safety zone unless they have been granted permission by the Captain of the Port New Orleans or a designated representative.

Vessel requiring entry into the Security or Safety Zone must request permission from the COTP or a designated representative. They may be contacted on VHF-FM Channel 16 or 67.

For additional information, contact the following:

Vessel Traffic Service (24 hours): (504) 365-2514, VHF-FM Ch. 05A, 12, or 67

Sector New Orleans Command Center (24 hours): (504) 365-2545

Sector New Orleans Waterways Management: (504) 365-2280 or SecNOLA-WPM@uscg.mil



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