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VTS Safety Measure - Revetment Operations MM 101.4 AHP LMR RDB

The Captain of the Port New Orleans is issuing a Vessel Traffic Service (VTS) Safety Measure for the waters of the Lower Mississippi River (LMR) at Mile Marker (MM) 101.4 Above Head of Passes (AHP) to protect persons and vessels from the potential safety hazards associated with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) revetment operations. The following vessel restrictions and channel closures apply:

- All transiting vessels must check in with Vessel Traffic Service at MM 106 and MM 88.
- All vessels transiting between MM 101 to MM 102 are limited to one way traffic and transit at their slowest safe speed.
- Vessels transiting Southbound should be mindful of limited safe mooring areas during closure periods.

| Location | Mile | Scheduled Closure | Vessel Size Restrictions |
|--------------------|--------------|---|---|
| Greenville Bend | 101.4 RDB | June 26 to July 7 (daily) between 6 a.m. – 6 p.m. | Deep draft vessels: - Southbound: No transit - Northbound: Panamax ship or smaller drafting less than 33 feet Shallow draft vessels: - Southbound: Max 20 barge tows, 4 wide - Northbound: No restrictions |

During times of revetment work, the contractor placing subaqueous stone will deploy anchors approximately 1,200' channelward from the right descending bank (RDB). Between the hours of 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., the operation will be folded in along the RDB with no transit restrictions. M/V JAMES CHRISTOPHER will be on-scene and can be contacted via VHF-FM Channels 12, 16, or 67 or at (985) 677-6094 for updates.

Updates will be disseminated via VTS email distribution and/or Safety Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

For further information, contact:

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

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

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