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Our Mission

The Memphis District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, will continuously and proactively plan for and execute actions in order to ensure authorized navigation channels and harbors are sustained. We will collaborate with all relevant Corps elements, navigation and port partners, and other stakeholders as part of a unified region, and leverage all available resources and capabilities.

Purpose of this newsletter

To inform the public and our partners on the status of harbors, the navigation channel, and current and future operations.

Memphis District Harbor Conditions - Sept. 7, 2012

Harbor	River Mile	Last Survey Date	Last Dredged	Dredging Schedule	Harbor Status
Elvis Stahr (Hickman), KY	921.0	August 22, 2012	AUG 12	22 July - 15 August	OPEN
Northwest TN	899.0	April 4, 2012		11 - 18 November	CLOSED
New Madrid City, MO	886.0	June 12, 2012	SEP 12	3 - 8 September	LIGHT LOADING
New Madrid County, MO	885.0	September 4, 2012	AUG 12	26 Aug - 2 Sept	OPEN
Caruthersville, MO	850.0	September 5, 2012		9 - 23 September	LIGHT LOADING
Osceola, AR	785.0	August 9, 2012		26 Sept - 9 Oct	LIGHT LOADING
Wolf River, TN	736.0	May 3, 2012	OCT 11	12 - 17 October	LIGHT LOADING
McKellar Lake, TN	725.0	August 21, 2012	JUL 12	12 Sept - 10 Nov	OPEN
Helena, AR	663.0	May 2, 2012		20 - 27 October	CLOSED
Phillips County, AR	652.0	May 1, 2012		29 Oct - 5 Nov	CLOSED
Color key					
Controling Depth	11'	Orana			
Greater Than Between	9' and 11'	Green Yellow			
Less Than	9 and 11	Red		+	

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Dredge and Floating Plant locations in Memphis District and status as of Sept. 7, 2012

USACE Dredge Hurley: Commerce (Miss.), mile 697 LMR, mainstem channel dredging. Scheduled to remain at this location for approximately the next seven days.

Contract Dredge Venture: New Madrid City Harbor, mile 886 LMR, harbor dredging. Scheduled to move to Caruthersville (Mo.) Harbor, mile 850 LMR and begin dredging on Sept. 10, 2012.

Contract Dredge Pontchartrain: Now mobilizing and will begin dredging at McKellar Lake, Memphis. Start date moved to Sept. 12, 2012, due to delay in receiving equipment to begin work.

Riverbank Stabilization Mat Sinking Unit: Walnut Bend (Ark.), mile 680.3 LMR.

Funding status as of Sept. 7, 2012

Mainstem Mississippi River channel dredging: \$17.3 million received, \$14.6 million obligated.

Harbor dredging: \$16.7 million received, \$15.8 million obligated.

Additional information

General conditions: Over the last 24 hours we received an inch or less of rainfall in the Ohio-Mississippi River confluence area. We are expecting 2-3 inches of rainfall in the Ohio River basin beginning Friday evening through Sunday morning. This may provide a small amount of relief to the current low water conditions. Following that, there is no significant rainfall in the forecast.

Useful links

NWS Ohio and Lower Mississippi River 5 Day Forecast:

http://www.srh.noaa.gov/lmrfc/?n=lmrfc-mississippiandohioriverforecast

NWS Extended Streamflow 28 Day Prediction:

http://www.riverwatch.noaa.gov/forecasts/ORNESPORN.php

Corps of Engineers Regional Common Operating Picture:

http://www.mvd.usace.army.mil/gis/2012 low water/MVD 82912 Drought email.pdf

Memphis District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

http://www.mvm.usace.army.mil/

U.S. Coast Guard Sector Lower Mississippi River, Memphis:

http://www.uscq.mil/d8/sectlmr/

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