NAVIGATION BULLETIN NO. 21-59

GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY
MORGAN CITY-PORT ALLEN ALTERNATE ROUTE
PORT ALLEN LOCK (UPDATE)

Reference Navigation Bulletin No. 21-51, dated 9 April 2021, stating that Port Allen Lock will have intermittent closures to navigation (up to 4 hours) during daylight hours, 7 days a week, from 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. each day, for a U.S. Government Hired Labor Unit to make necessary repairs to the northeast floating guidewall through 17 May 2021.

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, THE MAJORITY OF THE REPAIRS TO THE NORTHEAST FLOATING GUIDEWALL HAVE ENDED, HOWEVER, SOME REMAINING GUIDEWALL REPAIRS WILL BE ADDRESSED AT A LATER DATE, AND AS A RESULT, THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS WILL REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:

WESTBOUND RESTRICTIONS

- ALL TOWS WITH MORE THAN ONE BARGE ARE REQUIRED TO USE AN ASSIST VESSEL WITH A LINE ATTACHED AT THE HEAD OF THE TOW.

- SINGLE BARGE TOWS WILL BE PERMITTED TO LOCK WESTBOUND WITHOUT AN ASSIST VESSEL.

- DO NOT ATTEMPT TO “PIVOT” ON THE GUIDEWALL, THEREFORE, VESSELS MUST FLATTEN-OUT BEFORE MAKING CONTACT WITH THE GUIDEWALL.

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