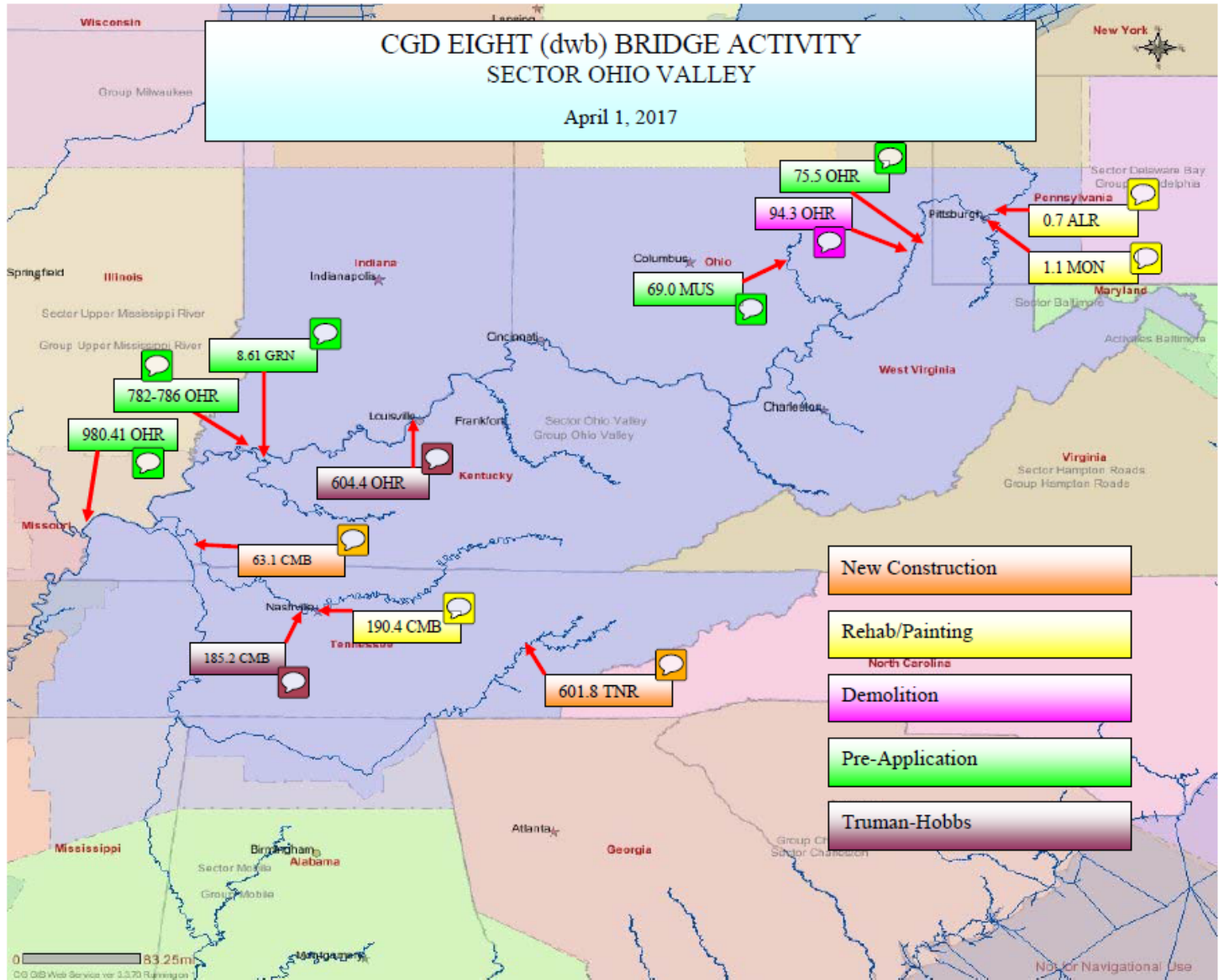




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## Allegheny River

**Seventh Street Bridge (0.7):** Due to a containment system, vertical clearance reduced to 38.38 feet above normal pool for the mid180 feet of the main navigational span.

## Ohio River

**Proposed New Bridge (75.5):** Pre-application stage. The new bridge will provide a minimum of 800 feet of horizontal clearance. Environmental review underway.

**Bellaire Bridge (94.3):** Demolition date to be determined.



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## Monongahela River

**Liberty Bridge (1.1):** Work impacting navigation channel will be conducted Aug-Sep 2017. During this time river blockage will occur from 6 a.m. to noon and 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. daily.

**Birmingham Bridge (2.3):** Due to construction, an access platform has temporarily reduced bridge's vertical clearance by 4 ft.

**Charleroi-Monessen Bridge (41.0):** Due to shoaling, L/D red pier light moved 140 feet channel ward to mark edge. Center green range lights have been moved 70 feet channel ward to mark center of navigation channel.

## Upcoming Marine Events

Start Date	End Date	Event	Waterway	Closure	Time
19 May 17	19 May 17	Pittsburgh Pirates Fireworks	Allegheny River mile 0.0-1.0	Full	2200-2330
03 June 17	03 June 17	Bellaire All American Days	Ohio River mile 93.5-94.5	Full	2200-2330
09 June 17	09 June 17	Pittsburgh Pirates Fireworks	Allegheny River mile 0.0-1.0	Full	2200-2330
17 June 17	17 June 17	Anything that Floats	Ohio River 58.1	None	1100-1700

## Marine Event Applications in review

- Pittsburgh Triathlon & Adventure Race: Allegheny River 0.0-1.5, 12 & 13 August
- Kittanning Riverbration: Allegheny River 44 - 45.5, 18-19 August
- Oakmont Yacht Club Regatta: Allegheny River 12 - 12.5, 22 July 17
- Kittanning Folk Festival: Allegheny River 45, 05 August
- Wheeling 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dragon boat race: Ohio River 91, 26 August
- Heritage Port Sternwheel Festival: Ohio River 91, 16 September
- PUSH Beaver County Fireworks: Ohio River 25.2 - 25.6, 24 June
- Red Bull Flugtag: Allegheny River mile 0.0 - 0.2, 31 July - 06 August
- Three Rivers Regatta: Allegheny River near PNC Park, 02 - 04 August

## Possible Waterways Impact Events

- U2: 07 June - Heinz Field

## Areas of Interest

### 1. Guidance for credentialing officers of towing vessels

Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) 03-16 provides Coast Guard guidelines for credentialing officers of towing vessels. The policy provided in the NVIC indicates that after January 1, 2016, mariners should have begun using the new TOAR, however, the NVIC itself was not published until June 23, 2016. Therefore:

- Mariners commencing training and assessment toward an officer of towing vessels endorsement should use the TOARs contained in NVIC 03-16.
- The National Maritime Center (NMC) will continue to accept previous versions of TOARs contained in NVIC 04-01 until March 24, 2019, regardless of the date started.
- Mariners should plan accordingly to ensure that previous versions of TOARs are completed and application for endorsement is made prior to March 24, 2019.

<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2017/04/24/4242017-guidance-for-credentialing-officers-of-towing-vessels/>