



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
PITTSBURGH DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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USACE REPORT TO THE WATERWAYS ASSOCIATION OF PITTSBURGH

1. LOCK CLOSURES AND DELAYS

New Cumberland:

- The landward auxiliary chamber remains closed due to structural deficiencies with the miter gates. The installation was not completed on 1 September so the auxiliary chamber is currently not operational. The Pittsburgh District is working to get the Medium Capacity Fleet back on the regional schedule to complete this work in 2024. Unofficial new dates for work are 28 Apr – 31 May 2024.

Emsworth:

- **CONTRACT:** Hydraulic System Upgrades: Contractor mobilizing to site in Aug 2023 with new hydraulic power units arriving onsite around December 2023. Intermittent closures not anticipated until 2024 with an estimated contract completion date in April 2024.

2. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST: Contract and Repair Fleet work upcoming

2024 Schedule of fleet work:

- New Cumberland Auxiliary Chamber Gate Installation: (Possible NEW DATES 28 Apr-31 May 2024)
- Maxwell Primary and Auxiliary: 11 Mar – 19 **Apr** 2024 (NOTE: Only 1 chamber will be closed at a time.) NEW END DATE
- Hannibal Primary: **3 June– 8 Nov** 2024 (Updated w/ NEW DATES)
- Emsworth Primary and Auxiliary: 13 Nov – 20 Dec 2024 (NOTE: Restricted width in primary chamber w/ auxiliary chamber closed.)

Tentative schedule of future contract work:

- Pike Island Lock Hydraulic System (Feb – Dec 2024)
- Elizabeth L/D (3 Mon) Demolition – Contract awarded to JB Fay on 22 Aug 2023. Multi-year contract. Anticipate start of work in spring 2024 w/ dam breach potentially in July 2024, after fish spawning restriction months are over.
- Dashields Upper Approach Slope Stabilization – P&S for permanent stope stabilization under development w/ estimated construction contract award in Summer 2024 and stabilization work starting in Fall 2024.

Additional Information:

The district is working on an NTNI to lay out the passage of vessels through the new river chamber at Charleroi for the 60 Day troubleshooting phase of the construction. This is tentatively scheduled to begin mid-late March 2024. Passage may still be necessary through the land chamber after the 60 days until full commissioning.

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