



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
PITTSBURGH DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
WILLIAM S. MOORHEAD FEDERAL BUILDING  
1000 LIBERTY AVENUE  
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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.

#### 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.
- CONTRACT: Exploratory Drilling: 11 separate auxiliary chamber closures will occur to accommodate exploratory drilling activities at Emsworth. (NTNI 202742)

Montgomery: Primary and Auxiliary chamber closures per tentative schedule below, please see NTNI 203305-1

- Primary Chamber Closure:  
~~0600 September 05, 2023, Thru 0600 September 25, 2023~~  
~~0600 October 17, 2023, Thru 0600 November 22, 2023~~  
~~0600 November 26, 2023, Thru 2200 December 22, 2023~~
- Auxiliary Chamber Closure:  
~~0600 September 02, 2023, Thru 0600 September 05, 2023~~  
~~0600 September 25, 2023, Thru 0600 October 17, 2023~~  
~~0600 November 22, 2023, Thru 2200 November 26, 2023~~

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

#### **2024 schedule of future fleet work:**

- New Cumberland Auxiliary Chamber Gate Installation: *(Date TBD possibly Jan/Feb 24)*
- Maxwell Primary and Auxiliary: 11 Mar – 19 May 2024 (NOTE: Only 1 chamber will be closed at a time.)
- Hannibal Primary: **3 June– 8 Nov 2024** *(Updated w/ potential 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.

### **Additional Information:**

The Pittsburgh District is working on updating and publishing navigation charts for all 3 rivers. Current expectation is to complete the Mon before Lock 3 goes out of service. There is no specific schedule for the other rivers at this point.

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