



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
PITTSBURGH DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
WILLIAM S. MOORHEAD FEDERAL BUILDING  
1000 LIBERTY AVENUE  
PITTSBURGH, PA 15222-4186**

10 April 2019

**USACE REPORT TO THE WATERWAYS ASSOCIATION OF PITTSBURGH**

**1. LOCK CLOSURES AND DELAYS**

**Emsworth**

Geo-Tech boring will begin in the auxiliary chamber at Emsworth. The 56-ft x 360-ft Auxiliary Lock Chamber at Emsworth Lock and Dam will be closed during the following periods:

Begin	End
1.) May 6 @ 0000	May 8 @ 2359
2.) May 11 @ 0000	May 15 @ 2359
3.) May 19 @ 0000	May 22 @ 2359
4.) May 26 @ 0000	May 28 @ 2359

**Dashields**

- The main tow haulage remains out of service due to failure of the winch drums. Repair plans are being developed and currently there is no projected return to service. Mariners should be aware that cuts are being pulled with the auxiliary winches which will be directed by the lock personnel on-site.
- The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers will be performing drilling adjacent to the auxiliary chamber. The 56-ft x 360-ft Auxiliary Lock Chamber at Dashields Lock and Dam will be closed during the following three periods: (NTNI 9868)

Begin	End
1.) April 15 @ 0000	April 19 @ 2359
2.) April 21 @ 0000	April 25 @ 2359
3.) May 2 @ 0000	May 3 @ 2359

**Montgomery**

- Closure of the main chamber 11 March – 14 June. 11 March – 30 April will be restricted lockage in the main chamber. 01 May – 14 June main chamber fully closed. See NTNI 9699 for details.

**New Cumberland**

- The landward auxiliary chamber remains closed due to structural deficiencies with the miter gates. New auxiliary chamber gates are not expected to be fabricated prior to 2021/2022. Installation will require several additional years.
- The U S Army Corps of Engineers will temporarily close the 110' X 1200' primary chamber at New Cumberland Locks and Dam on April 17. The closure will be from 7:00 am to 11:59 pm. Contract personnel will be performing work as part of the hydraulic system upgrade for the primary chamber. Note that the auxiliary chamber will not be available during this time. (NTNI 9885)

## 2. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST: Potential contract and Repair Fleet work for FY19:

### **Dashiels and Emsworth:**

- CONTRACT: Geotechnical Boring: Contractor will mobilize to Dashiels on 15 April 2019 to perform drilling operations and then mobilize to Emsworth on 6 May 2019 and drill until 28 May 2019. All dates are currently planned but could change based on weather impacts.

### **Montgomery:**

- CONTRACT: Dam Gate Installation: continuing through 2020.
- FLEET: Installation of Downstream Maintenance Bulkhead Slots: 11 Mar thru 14 Jun 2019 w/chamber closures and locking restrictions similar to Emsworth 2018 closure/restrictions.
- CONTRACT: Middle Wall Crack Stabilization: Contractor mobilizing to site March 2019 and will perform as much work as possible during USACE fleet closure period: Intermittent closures of the Land Chamber for up to 12 hours per day, Monday through Friday w/ 35 day advance notice are permitted outside the fleet closure period. No additional closures during fleet work w/ Contractor utilizing fleet closures to maximum extent possible. Operations Division is working to get information on the contractor work outside the scheduled fleet work as requested at the LRD NAV Stakeholder meeting on 5 March.

### **New Cumberland:**

- CONTRACT: Upgrade Hydraulic Operating System: Spring 2019 thru Fall 2019: Short term chamber closures expected during the work to include up to five 48-hour closures and intermittent 8-hour closures between the hours of 0730 and 1600, Monday thru Friday. Construction Contractor anticipating the 48-hour closures to occur weekly during the month of August 2019.
- Currently developing schedule for replacement of screen bars on main chamber. Potential 8 hour closures scheduled during July and August for up to 2 weeks.

### **Allegheny Lock 2:**

- CONTRACT: Vertical Wall Repairs: Estimated Chamber Restrictions in 2019; chamber closure 5 Aug – 26 Aug; 35' width restriction 26 Aug – 9 Sept; chamber closure 9 Sept – 10 Oct; 35' width restriction 10 Oct – 25 Oct. Dates contingent upon pool elevation/weather.

### **Allegheny Lock 4:**

- Change to Level of Service approved by District Commander with implementation to begin late April. NTNI will be published to reflect operating hours and contact information for scheduled lockage after normal hours.

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