



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**

11 July 2018

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

**1. LOCK CLOSURES AND DELAYS**

**OHIO RIVER**

**Dashiels**

- Wall Stabilization Contract Work: The Primary lock chamber will have intermittent short-term closures (Duration: 4 hours or less) on the following dates (Ref: NTNI 8919):

**Monday 16 July through Friday 20 July  
Monday 23 July through Friday 27 July  
Monday 30 July through Friday 3 August  
Monday 6 August through Friday 10 August**

- Intermittent Daylight Closures of the Primary Chamber - The Primary lock chamber will be closed to navigation from 6:30 am until 4:30 pm on the following dates:

**Monday 13 August through Friday 17 August  
Monday 20 August through Friday 24 August  
Monday 27 August through Friday 31 August  
Monday 27 August through Friday 31 August  
Tuesday 4 September through Friday 7 September  
Monday 10 September through Friday 14 September**

**Montgomery**

- Geological Investigations: Restrictions and locking procedure is in place for Southbound tows through July 14<sup>th</sup> (Ref: NTNI 8893)
- Geological Investigations: The auxiliary chamber will be closed to navigation from 4:00 am until 6:00 pm on the following dates (Ref: NTNI 8894):

**Monday 09 July through Friday 13 July  
Monday 16 July through Friday 20 July**

- Installation of the Downstream Maintenance Bulkheads **Sill**: The chambers will be closed as required to perform repairs to the auxiliary chamber gate seals and

to work on the new upstream bulkhead sill in the main chamber as detailed below (Ref: NTNI 8921).

- Auxiliary Chamber Upstream Miter Gate Timber Seals: Auxiliary chamber closure 25 July – 06 Aug.
- Main Chamber Downstream Closure System: Main chamber closure 06 Aug – 14 Sep (Open Labor Day weekend w/ restrictions)

### **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.

### **MONONGAHELA RIVER**

#### **Charleroi:**

- FLEET: Concrete and Wall Armor: Full closure 33 days 18 Jun – 20 Jul 2018. Pittsburgh District NTNI # 8803 on 25 May 2018.

### **2. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST**

#### **Local Stakeholder Review FY18/19 Fleet and Contract Schedule:**

- Anticipate mid-August meeting with stakeholders to review 2018 and 2019 fleet and contract maintenance work involving closures.

Potential contract and Repair Fleet work for FY 18-19:

#### **Dashields or Emsworth:**

- CONTRACT: Geotechnical Boring: Intermittent closures of both chambers spring/summer 2019. Location determination to be made by USACE late July 2018.

#### **Montgomery:**

- CONTRACT: Dam Gate Installation: continuing through 2020.
- CONTRACT: Geotechnical Boring: Intermittent closures of both chambers spring/summer 2018. Details on additional closures to be discussed with local interests at 13 June meeting.
- FLEET: Installation of Downstream Maintenance Bulkhead **Slots**: 11 Mar 2019 – 21 Jun 2019 w/ chamber closures and locking restrictions similar to Emsworth 2018 closure/restrictions. Lockage closure/restrictions still under development and will be coordinated in future meeting with WAP.
- CONTRACT: Middle Wall Crack Stabilization: Spring/Summer 2019: Intermittent closures of the Land Chamber for up to 12 hours per day, Monday through Friday w/ 35 day advance notice. No closures during FLEET work w/ Contractor utilizing FLEET closures to maximum extent possible.

### **New Cumberland:**

- Plans and specs are being developed for upgrades to the hydraulic operating system and work for replacement could begin in late 2018/early 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.

**Pike Island:** FLEET: Sector Gear Repairs: 26 Nov thru 21 Dec 2018 and 11 Feb thru 8 March 2019: Auxiliary Chamber Closed.

### **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.

There are 3 sunken barges remaining above the front channel dam at Emsworth.

***UPDATE: The contractor is currently on site this week working on removing the remaining barges.***

Possible shoaling reported in navigational channel at MM 34.5 Mon River. ***UPDATE: The contractor who was installing an underwater pipeline was contacted and corrected the issue.***

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