



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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USACE REPORT TO THE WATERWAYS ASSOCIATION OF PITTSBURGH

1. LOCK CLOSURES AND DELAYS

OHIO RIVER

- **New Cumberland** - The landward auxiliary chamber remains closed due to structural deficiencies with the miter gates. The chamber will remain closed until repairs can be made. Earliest restoration of service is FY19.
- **Emsworth** - 26 Jun through 15 Sep the USACE Medium Repair Fleet work on the 600' primary lock chamber has been rescheduled due to emergency repairs needed at Cannelton Locks and Dam. We estimate the work will be moved to the 2018 (FY18) Repair Season.

MONONGAHELA RIVER

- **Charleroi** - May 15 through June 16 the USACE Medium Repair Fleet is making repairs to the concrete and corner wall armor in the landward 56' X 720' Chamber. The Lock chamber will be closed to Navigation during scheduled work days. Reference NTNI 7298 for schedule of weekend openings. Currently the chamber is tentatively scheduled to return to service on 14 June.

ALLEGHENY RIVER

- **Lock #4** - 02 Oct through 09 Nov the USACE Medium Repair Fleet will be performing repairs to the Miter gate seals and anchorages in the single 56' X 360' chamber. This will create a complete suspension of navigation through Lock #4 for the duration of the closure.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

USACE Pittsburgh District will host a Fixed Crest Dam Summit on 23 June 2017. This will be a public meeting with our partners and stakeholders focused on water safety education and developing Courses of Action for potential changes related to fixed crest dams. Please help ensure all interested parties know of the summit

USACE Pittsburgh District is considering changes to the restricted zones and danger zones above all our navigation dams but most especially fixed crest dams. This would potentially require additional buoys and other changes. All Mariners' interests and concerns are wanted.

USACE Pittsburgh District is considering alternatives to the FY18 and FY19 Regional Rivers Repair Fleet schedule to make recommendations related to the recently deferred Emsworth work. The FY 18 schedule includes work at Dashields and Montgomery which may be impacted and will have a significant impact on river operations.

Discussions are underway regarding concrete repairs to the vertical surfaces of the lock chamber at Lock 2 Allegheny River. Current discussion indicates the potential of up to a 12 week closure for this work to be completed. USACE is seeking feedback on best potential schedules for this closure.

Advertisement for the Chief of Operations and Regulatory Division, Pittsburgh District opened on 8 June and will remain open until 21 June. Please help us spread the word on this vacancy. Intent is for the vacancy to be filled by 30 September.

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