



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

Emsworth

Geo-Tech boring will begin in the auxiliary chamber at Emsworth (NTNI 9953). The tentative schedule for closure of the 56-ft x 360-ft Auxiliary Lock Chamber at Emsworth Lock and Dam is as follows:

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. 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 (NTNI 9868). The tentative schedule for closure of the 56-ft x 360-ft Auxiliary Lock Chamber at Dashields is as follows: 5/8/19 Update – Drilling at Dashields has been postponed due to high water and will be rescheduled to occur after Emsworth drilling is complete.

Begin	End
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. 24 April – 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.

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

Montgomery:

- CONTRACT: Dam Gate Installation: continuing through 2020.
- CONTRACT: Middle Wall Crack Stabilization: Contractor's estimated mobilization date is now 20 May 2019. They 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.

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. Contract progressing well.

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 and contractor's submission of key transmittals.

Kathy Griffin has taken a temporary assignment in HQ USACE as Chief of Navigation until mid-August. Vince DeCarlo will serve as Chief of Operations until her return.

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