



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**

14 October 2015

MEMORANDUM FROM: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District, Operations Division, William S. Moorhead Federal Building, 1000 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222-4020

FOR: Waterways Association of Pittsburgh, P.O. Box 534, Lyndora, PA 15045

SUBJECT: Items of Interest to Navigation, October 14, 2015

## 1. LOCK CLOSURES AND DELAYS

### Ohio River

- **New Cumberland** - The riverward auxiliary chamber remains closed due to structural deficiencies with the miter gates. An underwater inspection was completed on 12 May to determine the extent of damage. The chamber will remain closed until further notice; reference NTNI 15-04 Rev 1. Repairs are tentatively scheduled for the spring of 2016.
- **Montgomery** - Notice is given that the 56-ft x 360-ft River Lock Chamber at Montgomery L/D, Ohio River Mile 31.7, is unavailable for service due to damage to the lower miter gate sill from ice and debris. Repairs are tentatively scheduled for 16 November – 11 December, limited delays to navigation are expected.

### Monongahela River

- **Maxwell L/D** - The river lock chamber at Maxwell L/D is out of service until further notice. This unscheduled lock closure is the result of a navigation accident that occurred early Thursday morning on October 31, 2013.
- **Lock and Dam # 4** – The single 84 ft X 600 ft land chamber at Charleroi will be closed for repairs to concrete and corner wall armor from 05 Oct through 06 Nov resulting in a full river closure. During the time periods of 10-12 October, 24-26 Oct, and 31 Oct – 01 Nov, the chamber will be opened for traffic. Specific times of opening and closing will be dependent on the Maintenance Branch schedule, and will be communicated to Navigation interests as soon as firm times are established.

### Allegheny River

- **NONE**

## 2. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

- USACE is now using the below website to publish all Notices To Navigation Interests (NTNI) information.  
<http://www.lrp.usace.army.mil/Missions/Navigation/NavigationNotices.aspx>
- Dredging is expected to continue on the Ohio at the lower end of Emsworth, then moving to Hannibal. Dredging will then move to the Mon River at Braddock, Grays Landing, and Maxwell.
- USACE is in the process of removing Dam Warning Buoys at all facilities. It is expected that all buoys will be removed on or before 30 October.

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