

Marine Safety Information Bulletin 13-22 April 18, 2022

Neches River - Beaumont, TX Kansas City Southern (KCS) Railroad Bridge Bridge Maintenance and No-Opening Scheduled

Kansas City Southern (KCS) Railroad will be performing maintenance on the railroad bridge that crosses the Neches River in Beaumont, TX between April 20 and May 12, 2022. This maintenance will require extended closures and the placement of a crane barge that will restrict the size of traffic that can transit under the bridge. The following restrictions are scheduled:

- The bridge will be unable to open during the following hours and days:
 - o 7:00 a.m. April 20, 2022 to 8:00 p.m. April 21, 2022 (37-hour duration)
 - o 7:00 a.m. April 24, 2022 to 8:00 p.m. April 25, 2022 (37-hour duration)
 - o 7:00 a.m. April 27, 2022 to 8:00 p.m. April 28, 2022 (37-hour duration)
 - o 7:00 a.m. May 1, 2022 to 8:00 p.m. May 2, 2022 (37-hour duration)
 - o 7:00 a.m. May 4, 2022 to 8:00 p.m. May 5, 2022 (37-hour duration)
 - o 7:00 a.m. May 11, 2022 to 8:00 p.m. May 12, 2022 (37-hour duration)
- During daylight hours a crane barge will be positioned in the channel that will limit horizontal clearance to approximately 90-feet. Tows should plan to transit single wide and may be limited to a single barge.

Mariners that intend to transit under the KCS Railroad Bridge should be aware of the restrictions, scheduled closures, and possibility of additional unscheduled delays. There is no alternate route for marine traffic through the affected area. Any questions can be directed to the on-site vessel Sea Wolf (985-518-3292), supervisor (409-284-1277) or Vessel Traffic Service Port Arthur at (409) 719-5070.

This notice will be posted on the Coast Guard's HOMEPORT website at http://homeport.uscg.mil and the VTS website at https://www.atlanticarea.uscg.mil/vtsportarthur/. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call Vessel Traffic Service Port Arthur at (409) 719-5070.

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