



Marine Safety Information Bulletin
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September 10, 2020
Hurricane Laura
PORT CONDITION RECOVERY – Calcasieu Waterway

As of 2:00 p.m. September 10, 2020, Port Condition - Recovery remains in effect for the Calcasieu Waterway.

The Calcasieu Waterway is open with restrictions. Shoaling of the Calcasieu Bar and River is restricting maximum vessel drafts. The Grand Lake and Black Bayou bridges east of the Calcasieu Lock closed last evening due to equipment casualties, however, the bridges have been repaired and will reopen tonight and maintain the evening hour schedule.

Calcasieu Waterway

The Calcasieu Waterway is open with restrictions as follows:

1. Vessels of less than 36-foot draft may transit the Calcasieu River from the “CC” buoy to Lake Charles.
2. Monkey Island Loop surveys indicate significant debris. Vessels desiring to enter this waterway are advised to do so at their own discretion and to exercise due caution.
3. The Gulf Intracoastal Waterway is open throughout the Port Arthur Captain of the Port Zone (Mile Marker 191 to 316). The Grand Lake and Black Bayou bridges will open daily from 6 pm to 7 am to allow inland traffic to transit.

The Coast Guard will issue a Broadcast Notice to Mariners and Vessel Traffic Service Advisories updating Port Conditions and restrictions as needed.

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/vtspportarthur/>. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call MSU Port Arthur at (409) 723-6500 or MSU Lake Charles at (337) 912-0073.

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