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# 8TH DISTRICT LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS MISSISSIPPI RIVER SYSTEM WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT

Western Rivers  
 LIGHT LIST VOLUME V  
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The Local Notice to Mariners consists of a Monthly Edition and Weekly Supplements. The Monthly Edition is published the first week of each month, and Weekly Supplemental Editions are published in the intervening weeks. Weekly Supplemental Editions contain only new information; however, ongoing events/conditions published in Weekly Supplements at times are readvertised in the following Monthly Edition. Light list corrections printed in the Weekly Supplemental Editions are not repeated in Monthly Editions.

The Current Monthly Edition is Notice Number 22-04.

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INTERNET ADDRESSES	<a href="http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/">http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/</a>
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WESTERN RIVERS LNM VIA INTERNET	<a href="http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/lnm/d8mrs">http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/lnm/d8mrs</a>
WESTERN RIVERS LIGHT LIST VIA INTERNET	<a href="http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pubs/LightLists/V5COMPLETE.pdf">http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pubs/LightLists/V5COMPLETE.pdf</a>
E-MAIL CONTACT TO THE MARINE INFORMATION SECTION	<a href="mailto:d8marineinfo@d8.uscg.mil">d8marineinfo@d8.uscg.mil</a>

## BROADCAST NOTICE TO MARINERS COVERED IN THIS EDITION

ORIGINATING UNITS	BEGINNING BNMS	THROUGH	ENDING BNMS
GROUP UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	0150-04 (UM)		0185-04 (UM)
GROUP LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	0102-04 (LM)		0132-04 (LM)
GROUP OHIO VALLEY	0225-04 (OV)		0287-04 (OV)
OB DWRO	0060-04 (OB)		0086-04 (OB)

## SPECIAL NOTICES

<b>NDGPS OFF-AIR MEDORA, ND</b>	The Medora, North Dakota, NDGPS Site will be off-air for maintenance from 1600Z to 1800Z, on June 9, 2004. The alternate time will be from 1600Z to 1800Z, on June 10, 2004. (19-04/NAVCEN 20-04 21-04)
<b>REPORTING HAZARDS TO NAVIGATION AND OTHER UNSAFE CONDITIONS</b>	Mariners occasionally discover shoals, sunken/derelect vessels, and miscellaneous debris or damaged bridge fenders that could endanger other navigators if not reported. Upon discovery of such potential hazards to navigation, mariners should immediately report them to the nearest U. S. Coast Guard unit, providing as much of the following information as possible: -Description of the obstruction/hazard, -River, Mile, Bank (COE Reference chart used), -Depth of water over obstruction/hazard if submerged, -Reporting vessel, observer and contact number, -Time and date observation made. (17-04/D8 19-04 20-04 21-04)
<b>REPORTING AID TO NAVIGATION DISCREPANCIES</b>	Prudent mariners should realize that the U. S. Coast Guard cannot keep the thousands of aids to navigation, comprising the federal system under simultaneous and continuous observation. For this reason, it is impossible to maintain every buoy, daybeacon, light or fog signal or other aids operating properly and on its charted position at all times. Therefore, the safety of mariners and that of all persons embarked or serving onboard vessels, will be enhanced if every person who discovers an aid to be missing, sunk, capsized, or damaged, or who observes a defect in the position or characteristic of any aid, federally or privately maintained, will promptly notify their nearest U.S. Coast Guard unit. (17-04/D8 19-04 20-04 21-04)
<b>TIMELY REPORTING OF BRIDGE ALLISIONS TO THE U.S. COAST GUARD</b>	All mariners are reminded of the importance of immediately reporting bridge allisions or rubbings of bridge support structures. The safety of the structure, the people, and commerce that rely on the bridge is dependent upon timely notification to the proper authorities. Any allision with a bridge structure should be immediately reported to the U. S. Coast Guard by any means available. The U. S. Coast Guard will in turn notify the proper federal, state, local, and/or bridge authorities in order to initiate a timely response. Any delay in reporting an allisions or rubbing could potentially jeopardize the safety and lives of innocent people. (18-04/D8 19-04 20-04 21-04)

### SPECIAL NOTICES/CONTINUED

<b>CAUTION TO BE USED IN RELIANCE UPON AIDS TO NAVIGATION</b>	The aids to navigation depicted on charts comprise a system of fixed and floating aids with varying degrees of reliability. Therefore, prudent mariners will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly a floating aid. With respect to buoys, the buoy symbol on nautical chart is used to indicate the approximate position of the buoy and the sinker, which secured the buoy to the riverbed. The approximate position is used because of practical limitations in positioning and maintaining buoys and their sinkers in precise geographical location. These limitations include, but are not limited to, inherent imprecision's in position fixing methods, prevailing atmospheric and river conditions, the slope of and the material making up the riverbed, the fact that buoys are moored to sinkers by varying lengths of chain, and the fact that buoy bodies and/or sinkers by varying lengths of chain, and the fact that buoy bodies and/or sinker positions are not under continuous surveillance, but are normally checked only during periodic maintenance visits which often occur more than a year apart. The position of the buoy body can be expected to shift inside and outside the charting symbol, due to forces of nature. The mariner is also cautioned that buoys are liable to be carried away, shifted, capsized, or sunk. Lighted buoys may be extinguished or sound signals may not function as the result of natural causes, collisions, or other accidents. For the foregoing reasons, a prudent mariner must not rely completely upon the position or operation of floating aids to navigation, but will also utilize bearings from fixed objects and aids to navigation on shore. Further, a vessel attempting to pass close aboard, always risks collision with a yawing buoy or with the obstruction the buoy possibly marks. <span style="float: right;">(18-04/D8 19-04 20-04 21-04)</span>
<b>LORAN-C OPERATIONS OFF-AIR PROPOSAL GILLETTE, WY</b>	This is a proposal to authorize LORSTA Gillette Wyoming, (Rate 9610-V/8290-X) off-air time from 1500Z to 2100Z, on June 15, 2004. The alternate time will be from 1500Z to 2100Z, on June 16, 2004. Objections will be considered until 1500Z, June 10, 2004. Users shall address inquiries to the Southcentral U.S. Loran-C Chain Operations Control Officer (POC: Lt J. Bailey) at (703) 313-5873. Current Loran-C status is available 24-hours a day via the NAVCEN Website, <a href="http://www.navcen.uscg.gov">www.navcen.uscg.gov</a> . <span style="float: right;">(20-04/NAVCEN 21-04)</span>
<b>UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER OHIO RIVER HIGH WATER CONDITIONS COTP ADVISORY</b>	Continuing until approximately June 14, 2004, high water conditions are expected to continue on the Upper Mississippi River and the Ohio River. Debris reportedly exists at various locations. As a result, the COTP Paducah, Kentucky, advises mariners to exercise caution and to remain vigilant while navigating through L/D's, bridges, and river confluences. Mariners are advised to ensure vessel horsepower characteristics provide adequate maneuverability in swift currents. <span style="float: right;">(23-04/0269OV)</span>

### DISCREPANCIES AND DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED

The rivers are marked with numerous unlisted and unlighted buoys, which are periodically relocated to mark the navigational channel due to changing river conditions. To report Aids to Navigation discrepancies contact the nearest Coast Guard Office.						
Coast Guard Group Ohio Valley	(800) 253-7465					
Coast Guard Group Upper Mississippi River	(319) 524-7511 Extension 6					
Coast Guard Group Lower Mississippi River	(901) 544-3912 Extension 2122					

FEDERAL AID DISCREPANCIES	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/NM
LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	9780	877.0	R/B	WILLIAMS PT DAYMARK	MISSING	23-04/0129LM
	10430	725.0	L/B	ENSLEY UPPER LIGHT	DBN DEST	23-04/0131LM
TENNESSEE RIVER	30890	477.5	L/B	JOHN A. PATTON ISL LWR LIGHT	LT IMCH	23-04/0282OV
	31265	428.8	L/B	RUNNING WATER CREEK LIGHT	MISSING	23-04/0284OV
	31480	377.0	R/B	NORTH SAUTY LIGHT	DBN IMCH	23-04/0265OV
	31485	375.2	R/B	MINK CREEK LIGHT	LT IMCH	23-04/0264OV
	32590	54.2	L/B	PINE BLUFF DAYBEACON	DBN DEST	23-04/0276OV
UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	14475	527.1	R/B	ELK RIVER LIGHT	TRUB	23-04/0186UM
FEDERAL AID DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/NM
NONE						
TEMPORARY CHANGES	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/NM
NONE						
TEMPORARY CHANGES CORRECTED	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/NM
NONE						
PRIVATE AID DISCREPANCIES	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/NM
NONE						
PRIVATE AID DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/NM
UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	15300	409.6	L/B	TOWMEY COMPANY LIGHT	WATCHING PROPERLY	23-04

### PROPOSED CHANGES IN AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Periodically, the Coast Guard evaluates its system of aids to navigation to determine whether the conditions for which the aids to navigation were established have changed. When changes occur, the feasibility of improving, relocating, replacing, or discontinuing aids to navigation is considered. In this regard, the Coast Guard is evaluating changes in aids to navigation. The proposed changes are listed below. Comments must be received by June 15, 2004 and should be addressed to: Commander (oan), Eighth Coast Guard District, Aids to Navigation Branch, 500 Poydras Street, Room 1230, New Orleans, LA 70130-3396. (ANDP 08-04-44D)

	LLNR	MILE	BANK	NAME	PROPOSED CHANGE
GREEN RIVER	5275	6.0	RDB	Griffith Slough Daybeacon	Establish daybeacon
	5040	37.1	LDB	Abe Creek Daybeacon	Establish daybeacon
	Comments must be received by July 8, 2004 and should be addressed to: Commander (oan), Eighth Coast Guard District, Aids to Navigation Branch, 500 Poydras Street, Room 1230, New Orleans, LA 70130-3396. <span style="float: right;">(ANDP 08-04-54D)</span>				
	LLNR	MILE	BANK	NAME	PROPOSED CHANGE
ARKANSAS RIVER	2577	22.8	RDB	Pendleton Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon

## ADVANCED CHANGES IN AIDS TO NAVIGATION

The following aids to navigation changes will take place between July 5, 2004, and August 5, 2004.

Federal Projects Ref: ANDP 08-04-45D.

WATERWAY	LLNR	MILE	BANK	NAME	CHANGE
CUMBERLAND RIVER	3550	01.0	LDB	Bledsoe Creek Mile 1 Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon
	3555	01.9	RDB	Bledsoe Creek Mile 2 Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon
	3560	02.5	RDB	Bledsoe Creek Mile 2.5 Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon
	3620	00.4	LDB	Spencer Creek Halfmile Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon
	3625	01.9	LDB	Spencer Creek Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon
	3630	02.0	LDB	Spencer Creek Mile 2 Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon
	3705	03.7	RDB	Drakes Creek Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon
	3710	02.1	RDB	Drakes Creek Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon
	3715	01.0	RDB	Drakes Creek Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon
	3610	00.6	LDB	Station Camp Creek Daybeacon	Disestablish daybeacon

## GENERAL INFORMATION

ILLINOIS WATERWAY	MILE 21.6 BRIDGE OPENING INFORMATION	Hardin Drawbridge: Mariners are requested to provide 30-minutes advance notice for a bridge opening in order to avoid delays.  <span style="float: right;">(23-04/OB)</span>
LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	MILE 804.0 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Two can buoys have been reported missing or diving in the vicinity of Mile 804.0. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. <span style="float: right;">(23-04/0126LM)</span>
	MILE 736.0 MARINE EVENT	On June 12, 2004, between approximately 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., the Maria Montessori School Regatta Race will be held in the vicinity of Mile 736.0, Wolf Chute, between approximate Miles 3.0 and 1.0 of the Wolf Chute. A Temporary Safety Zone has been established for this event. No vessels may enter or remain in the Safety Zone unless specifically authorized by the COTP Memphis, Tennessee. Vessels may contact the U.S. Coast Guard Patrol Commander on VHF-FM Channel 16 for additional information. <span style="float: right;">(23-04/0132LM)</span>
	MILE 714.0 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Several buoys have been reported missing or diving in the vicinity of Mile 714.0, Cow Island. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. <span style="float: right;">(23-04/0127LM)</span>
	MILE 599.0 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Several nun buoys have been reported missing in the vicinity of Mile 599.0, lower end of Scrubgrass Bend. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. <span style="float: right;">(23-04/0130LM)</span>
	MILE 435.0 SUNKEN BARGE SAFETY ZONE UPDATE	A barge has been reported sunk in the vicinity of Mile 435.0, approximately ¾ to ½ Mile downstream of the Vicksburg Railroad Bridge, in the navigation channel. The barge has reportedly been located, in the center of the channel with approximately 64 feet over the top. The Temporary Safety Zone has been cancelled. <span style="float: right;">(22-04/0121LM 23-04/LM)</span>
UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	MILE 185.1 L/D CLOSURE	Commencing approximately 6:00 a.m., July 12, 2004 and continuing until approximately 6:00 p.m., July 25, 2004, L/D 27 (main chamber), vicinity of Mile 185.1, will be closed to navigation to replace tensioning rods. With the current conditions, there is a high probability that the last tensioning rod holding one of the diagonals could fail. This condition causes a safety concern and the likelihood that the gate would become immediately unusable. Repair work will be conducted 12-hours per day, 7-days per week. This closure will be based on lower river stages for dewatering. During this closure, the auxiliary chamber will be available to pass traffic. The auxiliary chamber is not equipped with tow haulage equipment and double lockage tows will have to arrange for pull boat assistance. The Towing Industry Self-Help Program, will be coordinated if the situation warrants. <span style="float: right;">(23-04/0181UM)</span>
MISSOURI RIVER	MILE 639.2 – MILE 638.8 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Two buoys have been reported not properly marking the channel between approximate Miles 639.2 and 638.8. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution in the area. <span style="float: right;">(23-04/UM)</span>
MONONGAHELA RIVER	MILE 32.1 CHANNEL CONDITION	A nun buoy has reportedly been set in the vicinity of Mile 32.1, LDB, to mark shoaling. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution in the area. <span style="float: right;">(23-04/0270OV)</span>
OHIO RIVER	MILE 279.2 DREDGE OPERATION UPDATE	Continuing until approximately June 23, 2004, dredging operations will be conducted in the vicinity of Mile 279.2, lower approach to the Robert C. Byrd L/D. Work will be conducted from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., 7-days per week. The contractor's floating plant will consist of the M/V FLORENCE T., 2 barge mounted cranes and 4 material barges. The M/V FLORENCE T. will monitor VHF-FM Channel 13. During non-working hours, the contractor's floating plant will be moored outside the navigation channel and lighted accordingly. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution and transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake. <span style="float: right;">(21-04/COE 23-04/COE)</span>

**GENERAL INFORMATION/CONTINUED**

<b>OHIO RIVER CONTINUED</b>	<b>MILE 355.6 BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION UPDATE</b>	Portsmouth-Fullerton Bridge; Simultaneous detonation of the navigation piers is scheduled for June 11, 2004. A Broadcast Notice to Mariners will provide the specific time.  (20-04/OB 21-04/OB 22-04/OB 23-04/OB)
	<b>MILE 470.0 FIREWORKS DISPLAY</b>	On June 11, 2004 and again on June 12, 2004, a fireworks display will be held between approximately 11:00 p.m. and 11:30 p.m., in the vicinity of Mile 470.0, Cincinnati, Ohio. No fireworks are to be discharged whenever any commercial traffic is within ½ mile of the display area. Spectator vessels are expected for this event. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution in the area.  (23-04/0287OV)
	<b>MILE 535.0 SUNKEN VESSEL UPDATE</b>	A vessel has been reported sunk in the vicinity of Mile 535.0, approximately 100 feet from the LDB. The vessel is reportedly marked with an orange buoy with a flashing white light. Salvage operations involving divers is being conducted. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution in the area.  (22-04/0251OV 23-04/0283OV)
	<b>MILE 777.8 FIREWORKS DISPLAY</b>	On June 10, 2004, between 8:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., a fireworks display will be held in the vicinity of Mile 777.8, Newburgh, Indiana. No fireworks are to be discharged whenever any commercial traffic is within ½ mile of the display area. Spectator vessels are expected for this event. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution in the area.  (23-04/0281OV)
	<b>MILE 938.9 SUNKEN BARGE UPDATE</b>	A barge has reportedly sunk in the vicinity of Mile 938.9, LDB, L/D 52. The barge is reportedly marked with 2 lighted wreck buoys. Salvage operations are ongoing and anticipated to be completed by June 10, 2004. The M/V CAPTAIN VAL is on scene to coordinate vessel traffic and should be contacted prior to passage. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution and transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake after passing arrangements have been made. (18-04/0212OV 19-04/OV 23-04/0267OV)
<b>TENNESSEE RIVER</b>	<b>MILE 244.0 DOWNED POWER LINE</b>	A downed power line has been reported in the vicinity of Mile 244.0. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area.  (22-04/0262OV 23-04/OV)
	<b>MILE 30.0 MARINE EVENT</b>	On June 10, 2004 through June 13, 2004, between approximately 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily, the Kentucky Drag Boat Association is sponsoring an event in the vicinity of Mile 30.0. A U.S Coast Guard Auxiliary unit will be patrolling this event. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area.  (23-04/0286OV)
<b>TOMBIGBEE RIVER</b>	<b>MILE 109.0 – MILE 108.0 DREDGE OPERATION</b>	Continuing until further notice, the Dredge MISSOURI H will be operating between approximate Miles 109.0 and 108.0, Buena Vista Bar. Further assignments will include areas below Coffeerville. Mariners are urged to use extreme caution and transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake after passing arrangements have been made.  (23-04/COE)
	<b>MILE 109.0 DREDGE OPERATION UPDATE</b>	The Dredge E STROUD has completed operations in the vicinity of Mile 109.0, Buena Vista Bar.  (17-04/COE 18-04 23-04)
<b>WHITE RIVER</b>	<b>MILE 2.0 SUBMERGED HAZARD UPDATE</b>	A submerged obstruction previously reported in the vicinity of Mile 2.0, has reportedly been recovered.  (22-04/0120LM 23-04/LM)

**CORRECTIONS TO LIGHT LIST, VOLUME V; MISSISSIPPI RIVER SYSTEM, 2004 EDITION.**

(\* Denotes the column in which a correction has been made or new information added.)

(1) No.	(2) Name and Location	(3) Mile	(4) Bank	(5) Characteristic	(6) Structure/Daymark		(7) Remarks	LNM
					Up	Down		
10840	PRIDE POINT LIGHT	583.9 *	Left	FI (2) R 5s	TR	TR		(23-04)
10870	CATFISH POINT LOWER LIGHT	572.2	Left	FI (2) R 5s *	TR	TR *		
11125	CORREGIDOR LIGHT	507.1 *	Left	FI (2) W 5s	TR	NR		(23-04)
11145	SKIPWITH BAR LIGHT	499.0 *	Left	FI (2) W 5s	NR	TR		(23-04)
11190	SHORTS LIGHT	482.2 *	Right	FIG 4s	SG	SG		(23-04)
14756	Isle of Capri Casino Marina Entrance Daybeacon	486.2	RIGHT		TR On pile.	TR	Private aid.	
*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	(23-04)
14757	ISLE OF CAPRI CASINO MARINA ENTRANCE LIGHT	486.2	RIGHT	FIG 6s	SG On pile.	SG	Private aid.	
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**ENCLOSURES**

None