

Thursday, November 8, 2018

Key Issues

- Heavy delays at Colorado Locks (WC 441), 10 boats in queue
- Daylight closures at Thomas Point (LM 239) through 11/9-10, expect delays
- Calcasieu Lock (WC 238) Closure, 11 boats in queue
- Reduced tow sizes between St. Louis and Cairo expected to be lifted on Friday, 11/9

RIVER CLOSURES & RESTRICTED MOVEMENTS

For additional details on the information noted below, please contact your ACBL Salesperson or Logistics Representative at (800) 899-7195

Ohio/Tennessee/Cumberland

Chicago/Illinois/Upper Miss

****Updated 2019 and 2020 Lock Closures in Lock Closures and Information Section on Page 2****

High water on the Upper Miss has reduced our max tow size SB to 9-12 barges - On a boat by boat basis we have returned to 12 barges out of St. Paul to PDC (UM 635), and 15 barges from PDC to St. Louis.

High water between St. Louis and Cairo has reduced tow sizes by one string (5 barges) - Expected to return to full tow sizes on Friday of this week.

Peoria and Lagrange are locking

Lower Miss/Gulf/Canals

Daylight Closures at Thomas Point (LM 239) - Closures will be from 06:00 - 17:00 daily through 11/9-10 for revetment work. Expect an additional 1-2 days if you are transiting through this area.

Gulf operations were hampered by fog once again this morning for 8 hours - Expect delays to continue each morning until Friday

Daylight only transiting through Brazos floodgates (WC 401) and Colorado Locks (WC 441) - Daylight only restriction has been lifted, the tow size restriction remains in place. Due to high flows, the locks are limited to only moving 1 load or 2 empties at a time. This is adding extra delay to each lockage. **Current queue at each lock: Brazos Lock - 0 boats, Colorado Locks - 10 boats.**

Reduced tow sizes SB from Cairo to Gulf by one string (5-10 barges) - Reduced tow size by one-two strings (5-10 barges per tow). Expect an additional 3-4 days in transit time until stages return to normal.

Reduced tow sizes for shuttle boats moving in the Gulf - Reduced to a max of 12 loads in both directions

Bayou Sorrel (PA 36) Closure to Refurbish South Gates - This is a full closure of the Port Allen Canal 7 days a week from 07:00 on 8/31 until approximately 11/30. Boats will use Algiers Lock as the alternate route. **Current queue at Algiers, 44 boats.**

Calcasieu Lock (WC 238) Closure—Beginning on July 30, the lock will only be closed Monday-Thursday from 07:00-17:00. This change is an effort to help control the major delays occurring at this lock. Contractors will demolish the south chamber guide wall and start construction of a new guide wall. **The lock will be closed Monday-Thursday from 07:00—17:00 each day. Current queue is 11 boats.**

Special Note - Please be aware, ACBL's standard contract, under the "River Closures and Restricted Movements" section, gives ACBL the right to bill for lock delays.

Current Loading Drafts

Upper/Lower Mississippi		Illinois (Dry and Liquid)	
St. Paul to PDC (UM 635) SBD	9'0" Max	Lemont to Starved Rock (IR 231) SBD	9'3" Max
PDC to Linwood (UM 475) SBD	9'3" Max	Starved Rock to Meredosia (IR 71) SBD	9'6" Max
Linwood to St. Louis SBD	9'6" Max	Meredosia to St. Louis SBD	10'0" Max
St. Louis to Cairo SBD	12'6" Max	Gulf	
Cairo to Gulf SBD	12'6" Max	Gulf NBD to St. Louis (UM 174)	1'6" FB Max
Ohio		Gulf NBD to Point Pleasant (OR 266)	10'6" Max
Pittsburgh to Bellaire (93) SBD	10'0" Max	Gulf NBD to Starved Rock (IR 231)	9'6" Max
Bellaire to Cairo SBD	11'6" Max	Gulf NBD Starved Rock to Lemont	9'3" Max

Lock Closures and Information

Gulf, Intracoastal, and Lower Miss				
Lock Name	Phone	Milepoint	Closure Dates	Notes
Old River	225-492-2690	LM 304	11/15/18 - 3/29/19	Intermittent delays during daylight hours for repairs to a tainter valve
Bayou Boeuf	985-384-7626	WC 93.3	August 2019	Tentative dewatering closure expected to last 60 days
Bayou Sorrel	225-659-7773	PA 36	8/31 - 11/30	Dewater & Refurbish south gates, complete closure, will use Algiers as alternate route
Algiers	504-394-5714	LM 88	5/1/20 - 6/30/20	Intermittent Closures
Calcasieu	337-477-1482	WC 238	5/21/18 - 12/1/19	Demolition of south chamber guide wall and construction of new guide wall. Closed M-F from 07:00 - 17:00, as of 7/30 contractor will only work Monday-Thursday

Illinois

Lock Name	Phone	Milepoint	Closure Dates	Notes
O'Brien	773-646-2183	327	2018	2-3 36 hour closures, Dates TBA
Starved Rock 2019	815-667-4114	231	6/1/19 - 8/31/19	Work is for installation of new miter gates, both upper and lower will be replaced with vertical framed miter gates. Lock will be closed during daylight hours. Lockings will take place during nighttime hours with an 70' width restriction, no more than 10 barges at a time. There will be a 14-15 day total closure at each lock from 01:00 on 8/16 until 00:00 on 8/16. Lock will be fully open beginning at 05:30 on 7/3 until 06:00 on 7/8.
Marseilles 2019	815-795-2593	245		
Lagrange 2020	217-225-3317	80	7/1/20 - 10/30/20	90+ day full closure beginning on 7/1/20, dewatering lock chamber to repair crumbling concrete and steel structures, full closure, no transit
Peoria 2020	309-699-6111	158	Mid July 2020 - Early Aug 2020	60+ day full closure beginning in mid July and ending early August, dewatering lock chamber for maintenance and inspection
Starved Rock 2020	815-667-4114	231	7/1/20 - 10/30/20	120 day full closure beginning on 7/1/20 and ending 10/30/20, dewater lock chamber to replace/modify the miter gate sills to accommodate new miter gates
Marseilles 2020	815-795-2593	245	7/1/20 - 9/30/20	90+ day full closure beginning on 7/1/20 and ending on 9/30/20, dewatering lock chamber to replace/modify miter gate sills to accommodate new miter gates
Dresden Island 2020	815-942-0840	271	7/1/20 - 10/30/20	90+ day restriction period with a 14 day full closure, lock closed during daylight hours, lockings will occur during nighttime hours with a 70' width restriction
Brandon Road 2020	815-744-1714	286		
Dresden Island 2023	815-942-0840	271	June through August	90+ day full closures, dewatering lock chamber for major maintenance
Brandon Road 2023	815-744-1714	286		

Upper Mississippi

Lock Name	Phone	Milepoint	Closure Dates	Notes
Lock 25	636-566-8120	241	7/1/20 - 8/31/20	Intermittent, river will be closed during nighttime hours

Ohio

Lock Name	Phone	Milepoint	Closure Dates	Notes
Smithland	618-564-2315	918	10/22 - 11/8	Landside chamber closed for hydraulic repairs, expect minor delays

Arkansas

Lock Name	Phone	Milepoint	Closure Dates	Notes

Tennessee

Lock Name	Phone	Milepoint	Closure Dates	Notes
Nickajack	423-942-3985	425	10/29 - 11/16	Intermittent delays Monday - Thursday from 06:00 - 16:30
Wilson	256-764-5223	259	11/5-9	Intermittent delays to install new cables, sheaves, bushings, and pins
Kentucky	270-362-4226	22	11/2-7	Closure from 07:00 on 11/2 until 11/7
Kentucky	270-362-4226	22	July 2019	Closure is to repair and paint the miter gates and is expected to last 6 weeks, Industry will use Barkley Lock as the alternate route

Tennessee -Tombigbee

Lock Name	Phone	Milepoint	Closure Dates	Notes
Jamie Whitten	662-454-7977	412	9/5/19 - 10/5/19	This will be a complete closure

River Stages

River Stages	Milepoint	24 hr Change	Curr	24hr	48hr	72hr	Fld Stg
St. Paul	UM 837	0.08	5.93	5.9	5.8	5.8	14
Dubuque	UM 579	0.08	12.41	12.5	12.6	12.7	17
Morris	IR 265	-0.35	5.91	5.7	5.6	5.5	13
Beardstown	IR 88	-0.15	10.30	10.4	10.4	10.4	14
St. Louis	UM 174	0.03	21.30	21.3	20.9	20.4	30
Chester	UM 107	0.00	23.72	23.7	23.5	22.9	27
Cape Girardeau	UM 50	-0.03	28.78	28.7	28.7	28.4	32
Pittsburgh	OR 0	-0.33	16.48	16.6	16.6	17.3	25
Cincinnati	OR 480	-0.23	39.35	40.0	39.0	38.3	52
McAlpine Upr	OR 605	-0.48	15.87	15.1	15.3	14.8	23
McAlpine Lwr	OR 606	-0.06	40.21	38.4	38.3	37.3	55
Evansville	OR 795	2.65	33.15	35.0	35.4	34.7	42
Paducah	OR 930	0.71	30.63	30.9	31.6	32.2	39
Cairo	OR 976	0.30	39.05	39.5	40.1	40.6	40
Memphis	LM 725	0.41	22.69	22.9	23.2	23.6	34
Little Rock	AK 118	-0.03	8.05	8.0	7.9	7.5	23
Greenville	LM 536	0.64	38.57	38.9	39.3	39.5	48
Vicksburg	LM 435	0.67	34.30	34.7	35.1	35.5	43
Natchez	LM 364	0.69	41.84	42.4	42.9	43.4	48
Baton Rouge	LM 237	0.54	28.7	29.1	29.6	30.2	35
New Orleans	LM 107	0.13	10.41	10.4	10.6	10.7	17
Red	Flood Stage						
Orange	2' + increase						

Current Lock Delays

Lock	Milepoint	Queue
Lock 25	UM 241	4
Peoria/Lagrange	IR157/IR80	0/1
Melvin Price	UM 201	2
Kentucky	TR 22	3
Newburgh	OR 776	0
Olmsted	OR 964	0
Calcasieu	WC 238	11
Colorado Locks	WC 441	10
Bayou Sorrel	PA 36	0
Port Allen	LM 228	0
Algiers	LM 88	44
Industrial	LM 92	14

Estimate 1 hour delay for each boat in queue

Inland Waterway Weather Report

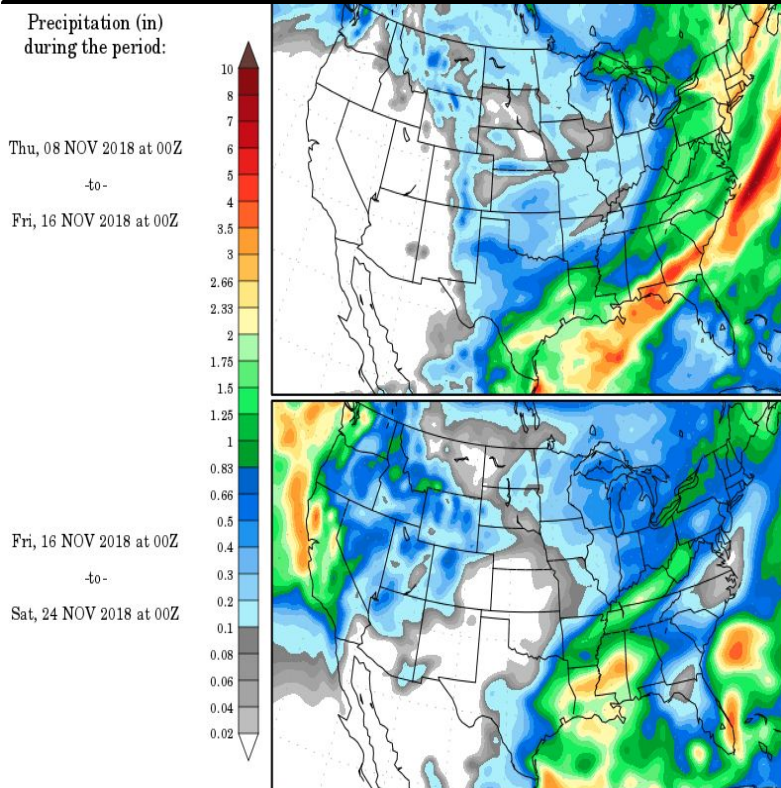
Showers and storms expected today in the region south of Cairo.

7 day QPF totals (through next Tuesday morning):

- 1" – 2 ½" of rain is forecast for the region south of Memphis.
- Amounts less than ½" are forecast for the rest of the valley.

Bill Frederick, USACE

Precipitation Forecast



2018 Upper Miss Closeout Letter



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Tuesday, August 21, 2018

In preparation for the closing of the 2018 navigation season for the Upper Mississippi River during the winter months, the following tentative dates should be used for planning purposes.

As operating conditions and weather dictate, these dates may be extended or shortened as the navigation season closes.

The following dates are our Upper Mississippi final departure dates:

St. Paul, MN - South (UMR 857-640) Sunday, November 18th
(includes barge traffic for the Minnesota and St. Croix Rivers)

McGregor/Dubuque - South (UMR 639-521) Sunday, November 25th

Clinton, IA - South (UMR 520-240) Sunday, December 2nd

Key anticipated lock closures: Lock 11 (mi. 583) December 4th 2018 through March 12th 2019
Lock 15 (mi. 483) December 11th 2018 through March 5th 2019
Lock 18 (mi. 411) December 11th 2018 through March 5th 2019
Lock 20 (mi. 343) December 15th 2018 through March 5th 2019

The following dates should be used as final loading dates from points of origin.

Barges loading to destinations between **Dubuque, IA and St. Paul, MN:**

<u>PORT</u>	<u>BARGES TO BE LOADED AND RELEASED BY</u>
Mobile	September 26
Houston	October 3
New Orleans	October 10
Pittsburgh	October 6
Huntington	October 8
Chicago	October 6
Memphis	October 15
Owensboro	October 15
Cairo	October 18
St. Louis	October 20

Barges loading to destinations between **Louisiana, MO and Clinton, IA:**

<u>PORT</u>	<u>BARGES TO BE LOADED AND RELEASED BY</u>
Mobile	October 13
Houston	October 20
New Orleans	October 27
Pittsburgh	October 23
Huntington	October 25
Chicago	October 23
Memphis	November 1
Owensboro	November 1
Cairo	November 4
St. Louis	November 6