

# Notice to Navigation Interests

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Notice No. 11-10 (REVISED) Date: May 26, 2011

#### REVISED

# <u>DAM WARNING BUOYS</u> Allegheny, Monongahela, and Ohio Rivers

Navigation Notice 11-10, date April 05, 2011 has been revised. Due to continuing high water on the rivers, we have not be able to install dam warning buoys at all the Locks and Dams, especially on the Allegheny River. In addition many of the buoys already installed on the Monongahela and Ohio Rivers have moved offstation or been lost to the high flows. As stated below, boaters should use extreme caution when approach the Locks and Dams. The buoys will be installed or restored as soon as river flows will allow.

1. TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is given that the "KEEP OUT - DAM" buoys will be placed above and below the navigation dams on the Allegheny, Monongahela, and Ohio Rivers in the Pittsburgh District. This will occur no later than the week prior to Memorial Day (May 23, 2011) with the concurrence of Water Management that conditions are conducive to maintaining buoy placement or when the following river conditions are met:

### Allegheny River

All Locks - 11.0 (or less) on the upper gage reading.

## Monongahela River:

Braddock - 12 feet (or less) of gate opening.

Lock 2 - 11.0 (or less) on the upper gage reading.

Lock 4 - 4 feet (or less) of gate opening.

Maxwell - 4 feet (or less) of gate opening.

Grays Landing - 11.0 (or less) on the upper gage reading.

Point Marion - 4 feet (or less) of gate opening.

Morgantown - 4 feet (or less) of gate opening.

Hildebrand - 4 feet (or less) of gate opening.

Opekiska - 4 feet (or less) of gate opening.

#### Ohio River:

Emsworth - 25 feet (or less) of gate opening.

Dashields - 14.0 (or less) on the upper gage reading.

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Montgomery - 20 feet (or less) of gate opening. New Cumberland - 29 feet (or less) of gate opening. Pike Island - 26 feet (or less) of gate opening. Hannibal - 26 feet (or less) of gate opening.

- 2. The river area between the dam and the warning buoys/signs is considered a "RESTRICTED AREA" and no vessels or floating craft shall enter restricted areas at any time. Violators may be cited and fined by state and federal officials.
- 3. Recreational boaters are cautioned that these buoys and signs are for their own protection. Boaters should always approach the locks, especially when proceeding downstream, with **extreme** care. Since the buoys may move off station during high flow conditions, boaters are urged to consult the Navigation Charts to be absolutely sure of their landmarks when approaching the locks and dams. Remember, all vessels are encouraged to carry Navigation Charts on board and post a proper lookout while underway on the rivers.

FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:

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