

MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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High Water Facility Assessment Reporting

All regulated facilities in the New Orleans Captain of the Port (COTP) zone are requested to submit the "Facility/Barge Fleeting High Water Reporting Form" supplied with this MSIB, identified as MSIB XVIII Issue 013a, to the COTP in preparation for facilities impacted by the effects of high water. This form shall be utilized to ensure information is disseminated to all the stakeholders of the Lower Mississippi River, as well as enhance any potential marine transportation system recovery responses.

For facilities operating between Head of Passes and MM 167.5 AHP, this information shall be submitted to the Sector New Orleans Facilities Compliance Branch via fax at (504) 365-2287 or e-mail at facilitiesnola@uscg.mil.

For facilities operating between MM 167.5 AHP and MM 303 AHP, this information shall be submitted to the Marine Safety Baton Rouge Facilities Compliance Branch via fax at (225) 298-5408 or e-mail at MSUBatonRougeFacilities@uscg.mil.

If at any time you experience any operational constraints resulting from the effects of high water, please report/update your status to the appropriate facilities contact noted above.

Mariners should also familiarize themselves with:
MSIB XVIII, Issue 012, Carrollton Gauge at 12 Feet and Rising

For additional information, contact the following:

Coast Guard Sector New Orleans Facility Compliance Branch: (504) 365-2370
Vessel Traffic Center Lower Mississippi River (24 hours): (504) 365-2230, VHF-FM ch 05A, 11, or 12
Coast Guard Sector New Orleans Command Center (24 hours): (504) 365-2200
Coast Guard Waterways Management: (504) 365-2280

CAPTAIN W. R. ARGUIN
Captain of the Port New Orleans

Facility/Barge Fleeting High Water Reporting Form

Date Completed:	
Facility Name/Type and Mile Marker:	
Address (Street, City, Zip):	
Point of Contact Name:	
Contact Number/E-Mail(s):	

1. <u>General Pre-assessment</u>	YES	NO	N/A
a. Does your facility/barge fleet have a High Water Plan and have you conducted a high water assessment survey? <u>Date/River Stage plan activated</u>			
b. Will you have facility/ barge fleet crews on site when 12' or greater on the Carrollton Gauge is reached?			
c. Does the facility/barge fleet have vessel mooring plans in place to address high water situations?			
d. Has your facility reviewed its contingency plan?			
e. Does your facility have plans to anchor or nest barges with other vessels?			
f. Are you a GNOBFA compliant barge fleet, and have you currently reviewed/made arrangements to comply with the GNOBFA standard of care guide book with special attention being placed on attachment #3 Section I, "High Water."			
g. Have you gone through the GNOBFA Guide Inspection Report form and notified the Coast Guard that you have met the standards of care prescribed in the GNOBFA Guide?			
h. Does your facility/barge fleet anticipate deviations or restrictions to operations; if so at what river stage? ()			
Describe any additional information or action plans your facility/barge fleet will be enacting that you would like the Coast Guard to be aware of:			

Submit this form to:

- For facilities/barge fleets ***operating between Head of passes and MM 167.5 AHP***, submit to the Sector New Orleans Facilities Compliance Branch at facilitiesnola@uscg.mil. For any questions, call 504-365-2370.
- For facilities/barge fleets ***operating MM 167.5 AHP and MM 303 AHP***, submit to the Marine Safety Unit Baton Rouge Facilities Compliance Branch at MSUBatonRougeFacilities@uscg.mil. For any questions, call 225-298-5400.