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Maintenance Dredging of Folly River Begins

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CHARLESTON, S.C. --- Charleston District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' maintenance dredging of Folly River is scheduled to begin June 16.

Cottrell Contracting Corporation, Inc., of Chesapeake, Va., the contractor for the dredging project, will be using their Pipeline Dredge "Marion" to perform the work. The dredged material will be pumped through a pipeline to Folly Beach County Park and designated sites at Bird Key Island.

Cottrell Contracting will place warning tape to designate the work area on the beaches. These marked areas will be closed to public use while work is done in that particular vicinity. In the interest of safety, the public must remain outside the marked areas at all times.

Boaters should exercise caution and stay clear of all pipelines, buoys and the dredge, since there will be a floating pipeline near the dredge. Boaters should contact the dredge crew on VHF Marine Band Radio Channel 16 prior to navigating near the dredging operation. For more information about navigating through this area, listen to the U.S. Coast Guard's Broadcast Notice to Mariners and look for the USCG's local Notice to Mariners.

The Corps anticipates the dredging to be completed in July, unless delayed by unusually severe weather conditions.