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Waterway Restrictions Revised: Calcasieu Waterway Status: Sabine-Neches Waterway and ICWW

After additional survey data processing and experience gained from actual ship transits, the draft restriction on the Calcasieu Ship Channel is revised from 38' to 39'. It appears that a return to full project depth (40') navigation is not possible without dredging.

The following is the current status of all waterways in the Port Arthur Captain of the Port Zone:

Calcasieu Waterway:	Day/Night Draft Restriction: 39' draft
Sabine-Neches Waterway:	Daytime Draft Restriction: 40' draft. Nighttime Draft Restriction: 33' draft.
Gulf Intracoastal Waterway:	Temporary Safety Zone in effect for westbound tows at ICWW mile 290 to clear the backlog of tows in the Intracoastal Waterway. Otherwise, open to traffic from mile 319 to mile 191.

This notice will be posted on the **HOMEPORT** website <http://homeport.uscg.mil>. If you have any questions, please call MSU Port Arthur at (409) 723-6500.

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